



Danville Utility Commission

4:00 p.m. April 26, 2021 Meeting

Council Chambers, City Hall

Minutes

Commission Members Present:

Ken Larking, Helm Dobbins, Sheila Williamson-Branch, Paul Liepe, Vanessa Cain, Bert Eades, Anna Kautzman, Gary Miller, Vic Ingram

Commission Members Absent:

Staff Present:

Ryan Dodson, Jason Grey, Janet Davis, Jennifer Holley, Michael Adkins

Others Present:

Call to Order

Chairman Cain opened the meeting and asked that the attendance be recorded. As a quorum was present, the meeting was called to order.

Discussion/Business Items

Minutes of March 22, 2021 Commission Meeting

Chairman Cain asked for any corrections, deletions, or adjustments to the minutes of March 22, 2021.

Mr. Dobbins made a motion to approve the minutes. Ms. Williamson-Branch seconded, all members voted in favor, and the motion carried unanimously.

Review of Utilities' Financial Statements

Ms. Holley reviewed the utilities financial statements and addressed questions from the commissioners.

Mr. Eades asked if the reduction in dekatherms fully explains the difference in gas net income compared to where the budget should be?

Ms. Holley responded that compared to last year, the volume and the heating season recovery at the end of the year is a similar situation and the fund came out favorably. This year the fund is closer than last year and anticipates that it will come out favorably as well.

Utilities Capital Improvement Project Update

Jason Grey presented the progress made on current fiscal year 2021 capital projects and the work already started on projects in the upcoming fiscal year 2022 budget.

Mr. Eades asked if there was any reason that Columbia gas would not approve allowing Danville Utilities to expand service into their territory.

Mr. Grey said he did not anticipate them having any opposition to the requested expansion.

Mr. Ingram asked if the water lines leading to Berry Hill Industrial Park are active lines.

Mr. Grey responded that they are dormant and have no active customers after the fire department. The County can have them turned on if they need them.

Mr. Dobbins requested an update on the battery storage project.

Mr. Grey responded that high demand for battery components had delayed the project and there was a battery design legal case that was recently settled. He anticipates completion in May 2022.

Department Discussions

There were no comments from staff, commission members, the public, or the director.

Adjournment

Chairman Cain stated the next meeting is scheduled for May 24, 2021. There being no further business, Mr. Eades made a motion to close that was seconded by Ms. Williamson-Branch. Ms. Cain adjourned the meeting at 4:30 p.m.

Submitted by Janet C. Davis
Secretary to the DUC

May 24, 2021
Date Approved

Chairman
Danville Utility Commission