

Danville Utility Commission
4:00 p.m. February 23, 2026 Meeting
Council Chambers, City Hall
Minutes

Commission Members Present: Ken Larking, Gary Miller, Fred Shanks, Anna Kautzman, Murray Whittle, Mary Williamson, Steven Merricks, Vanessa Cain

Commission Members Absent: Helm Dobbins

Staff Present: Ryan Dodson, Jason Grey, Janet Davis, Amy Chandler, Mauricio Rodriguez, Joan Hodnett

Others Present:

Call to Order

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

Prior to the discussion and business items, Ms. Kautzman made a motion to correct the agenda to remove Smart Thermostat Program Residential Peak Shaving and to add Winter Energy Efficiency Presentation. Mr. Shanks seconded. All members voted in favor, and the motion passed.

Discussion/Business Items

Minutes of February 2, 2026 Commission Meeting

Ms. Kautzman asked for any corrections, deletions, or adjustments to the minutes from February 2, 2026.

Mr. Shanks made a motion to approve the minutes, and Mr. Larking seconded. All members voted in favor, and the motion was carried unanimously.

Review of Utilities' Financial Statements

Ms. Chandler presented the December financial statements for each utility fund.

Fiscal Year 2027 Budget Follow Up

Preliminary FY 2027 budget proposals were reviewed at the February 2nd Commission meeting. Jason Grey was available to answer any follow-up questions from commissioners.

Ms. Cain made a motion that the Danville Utility Commission approve the Utility Department's Proposed Fiscal Year 2027 Budget for submission to City Council with the Commission's

recommendation for its adoption by the Council. Ms. Cain further moved that staff make the budget expenditure adjustments necessary to bring the budgets back into balance and brief the Commission on actions taken at the April 27th meeting should on-going evaluations reveal revenue shortfalls. Mr. Larking seconded the motion. All members voted in favor, and the motion was passed.

Winter Energy Efficiency Presentation

Mauricio Rodriguez presented energy efficiency strategies to help customers better manage electric consumption during the summer and winter months. Staff conducted public energy efficiency seminars in October and November to support customers in reducing energy costs.

Mr. Larking asked for confirmation on the direction the fan turns for winter. Mr. Rodriguez confirmed that the fan should be turning clockwise when looking up at the fan from below.

Department Discussions

Mr. Shanks asked Mr. Grey to address the Commission on the past couple of weeks of snow, ice, and the treatment of water. Mr. Grey responded that due to extreme drought conditions along with the runoff that occurred from the recent rain, raw water would not settle. While trying to get this water treated, the tanks ran out of water.

Mr. Shanks asked if other localities had issues. Mr. Grey responded that each part of the river is different and could face different challenges. He was not aware of any issues with the other nearby plants.

Ms. Cain asked if adjustments will be made to bills from the water issue. Mr. Larking responded that there is no intention to perform adjustments because it was a weather-related issue and was for the safety of the residents and there was no negligence on the part of the utility. Dr. Miller agreed and said that this was an act of God and would be hard to track who suffered, and that the reimbursement would be minimal.

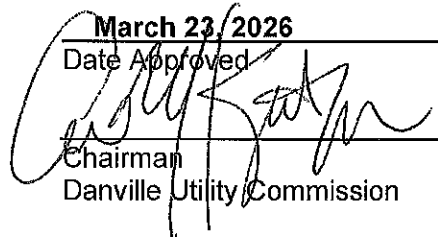
Mr. Larking commended Mr. Grey and staff on their response to the water pressure issue that required the boil-water notice and reemphasized that no water put into the system was unsafe.

Mr. Grey thanked dedicated staff for stepping up during the two snowstorms, a windstorm, and the recent water event.

Adjournment

Chairman Kautzman stated the next meeting is scheduled for March 23, 2026. Ms. Cain made a motion to adjourn the meeting which was seconded by Mr. Shanks. There being no further business, Chairman Kautzman adjourned the meeting at 5:08 p.m.

Submitted by Janet C. Davis
Secretary to the DUC

March 23, 2026
Date Approved

Chairman
Danville Utility Commission