



ROCHELLE UTILITY ADVISORY BOARD MEETING
Wednesday, November 22, 2011

The Rochelle Utility Advisory Board met on November 22, 2011 in the RMU Technology Center, 910 Technology Parkway. The meeting was called to order by Mr. Elliott at 3:03 p.m.

Present at the meeting:

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| Ray Schwartz, UAB | Kathy Cooper, RMU |
| Bob Elliott, UAB | Joe Orlikowski, RMU |
| Richard Ohlinger, UAB | Barbara Bell, RMU |
| Claude McKibben, UAB | Scott Koteski, RMU |
| Maryann Macklin, UAB | Joanne Peters, RMU |
| Jim Black, UAB | Dave Plyman, City Manager |
| Chet Olson, Mayor | Dennis Berg, Councilman |
| Chris Frye, Finance Manager | |

Approval of Minutes:

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| MOTION: | To approve the UAB meeting minutes dated July 27, 2011 |
| MAKER: | Richard Ohlinger |
| SECOND: | Claude McKibben |
| VOICE VOTE: | Motion Carried |

Financial Report: Chris Frye provided a review of the October 2011 Financial Statements. Copies of the Annual Financial Report for the Year ended April 30, 2011 were distributed. Ms. Frye also provided an analysis of the restricted funds.

Projects in Progress:

- a. Rochelle Energy Center – the project is 99% completed and the Ribbon Cutting ceremony has been scheduled for January 12th, 2012.
- b. Electric Installation Nippon/ProLogis – There is power to the building.
- c. Water/Sewer Installation Nippon/ProLogis – Water and sewer almost completed; pipe ram section under I-88 is left. Grant monies funded the project.
- d. First Avenue Lift Station – Grant monies funded the project in order to modernize the lift station as it was originally built in 1971.
- e. Engineering 2012 Projects – Lakeview Lift Station and Water Main replacements on South Main and Fourth Avenue.

Old Business:

- a. Lakeview Sewer Lining – Kathy Cooper provided a short video of the before/after improvements.
- b. NITT – Scott Koteski advised that he has a verbal agreement with the Rochelle News-Leader for bandwidth to Chicago making them our first NITT client. We have also received a verbal notification from Winnebago County for \$75,000 this year and \$75,000 commitment next year. The NITT marketing is moving; five potential customers, but nothing signed yet. Scott advised that we need to put some service level agreements in place.

- c. NIMPA – Joe Orlikowski advised the Annual meeting was held in October.
- d. Prairie State – Joe Orlikowski advised the project is 94.9% completed.

New Business: 2012 Meeting Schedule was reviewed and approved.

Discussion Items: None

Comments from the Public: Dave Plyman advised that the Mycoff, Fry & Prouse firm has been hired to conduct an executive search to recruit an RMU General Manager. Mr. Plyman anticipates the search will take 3 to 4 months. Copies of the Cost of Service Study completed by Baker Tilly were distributed. A joint meeting with the City Council to review the study has been scheduled for December 12th at 6:00 p.m. Mr. Plyman advised that he and Joe Orlikowski met with representatives from the Indiana Municipal Power Agency to discuss future power supply and to formulize future power supply purchasing.

Joe Orlikowski advised that ComEd was attempting to initiate a new tariff in 2012 to cover un-metered line loss that could cost RMU \$100,000. RMU along with NIMPA and IMEA is fighting this initiative. Mr. Plyman added that Doc Mueller, IMEA has indicated that they want Rochelle to reestablish our membership.

Comments from the Board: Mr. Ohlinger noted the 61.7 peak in July and asked if we have enough capacity? Joe Orlikowski advised that we were okay at the Twombly Road substation, but we're at 72% capacity without Nippon Sharyo at the Caron Road substation. Sargent & Lundy is updating our system model in order to prepare and plan for the additional growth. Joe added that we can expand the Caron Road substation if necessary.

Adjournment:

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| MOTION: | To adjourn at 4:18 p.m. |
| MAKER: | Maryann Macklin |
| SECOND: | Richard Ohlinger |
| VOICE VOTE: | Motion Carried |

Minutes Submitted By,
Joanne M. Peters