

## June 2021 Utility and Telecom Regular Board Meeting

The regular Board meeting of the Board of Trustees for Alta Municipal Utilities and Alta Municipal Broadband Telecommunications Utility, City of Alta, Iowa was held at City Hall on June 8, 2021.

Chairman Clyde Bartel called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

**ROLL CALL** Present – Clyde Bartel, Todd Peterson, Gloria Sanders, Tyler Van Houten, Rob Hach  
Also, present – Pam Henderson, Megan Schreck, Kevin Walsh, Randy Tilk, Cory Sutton, Brandon Vandermey, Zach Cope

**AGENDA** Agenda is as posted.

**WATER TOWER MAINTENANCE AND REPAIRS** The meeting was turned over to Vandermey with Viking Industrial Painting to give a presentation on the current condition of AMU’s water tower, recommended repairs along with updating climbing safety items, and discuss a maintenance program agreement that completes the painting inside and out plus maintenance items over a five-year period with a payment plan to spread the costs out to help with the water utility budgeting. Yearly inspections would be included and after five years, the yearly fee would go down to budget for future maintenance. Discussion was held and a decision tabled for legal review. Vandermey and Cope excused themselves from the meeting.

**WATER UPDATES** Sutton gave a few updates for the water department.

**UTILITY AND TELECOM MINUTES** Sanders moved to approve the minutes of the May 18, 2021, Municipal Utilities and Telecommunications meeting. Seconded by Van Houten.  
Ayes: All Nays: None

**UTILITY CLAIMS LIST** The following bills were presented for approval:

<b>ACCOUNTS PAYABLE Utilities</b>	<b>FOR</b>	<b>MAY 21 PD JUNE 21</b>
Ahlers Cooney	Legal service	\$348.00
Alliant Energy	Service	\$450.91
Alta, City of	SW-LF-EL	\$37,471.65
Alta Municipal Utilities	Utilities	\$3,495.53
Alta Municipal Utilities	Apply deposits to accts.	\$900.00
Altatec	Phone	\$269.96
Bankers Trust	May WS4	\$8,000.00
Bomgaars	Supplies	\$323.73
Border States	Supplies	\$5,389.59
BV Ag Society	Donation	\$125.00
Card Connect	April service fee	\$343.40

Central Iowa Distributing	Supplies	\$132.00
Community Oil	Fuel	\$292.13
Contintental Research	Supplies	\$254.90
Diekman, Patrick	Rebate	\$85.00
Figueroa, Lino	CR refund	\$187.73
First Coop	Fuel	\$161.78
Foundation Analytical	Service	\$133.40
Hawkins, Inc.	Chemicals	\$4,827.08
Henrich, Adan	Deposit refund	\$300.00
Hirschman Auto	Service/supplies	\$815.34
Hy-Vee	Supplies	\$25.84
Iowa Department of Revenue	Water excise tax	\$3,736.70
KAYL	Public relations	\$52.50
Kurita	Service	\$1,480.00
Logoty, Drake	CR refund	\$118.67
Mike's Electronics	Service	\$540.00
NeoTek	Service	\$464.88
NIMECA	April power	\$23,287.53
North Lake Truck Repair	Supplies	\$353.10
Overhead Door	Supplies	\$2,662.70
Pilot Tribune	Public relations	\$70.68
Postmaster	Trust account	\$600.00
ProElect	Service	\$90.00
Redig's Gravel	Supplies	\$403.27
Schlitz, Tanner	Travel expense	\$188.16
Simacek, Brandie	CR refund	\$0.06
Skarshaug Testing	Service	\$636.86
Storm Lake Ace Hardware	Supplies	\$419.12
Sutton, Cory	Flex reimbursement	\$867.62
Sutton, Cory	Travel expense	\$57.12
T. P. Anderson & Co.	Audit	\$4,750.00
Tello, Alberto	Deposit refund	\$300.00
Treasurer State of Iowa	May sales tax	\$2,108.96
U. S. Bank	Copier contract	\$30.13
U. S. Cellular	Service	\$29.07
Van Meter	Supplies	\$338.88
Vector	Insurance	\$327.46
Wages	May	\$32,482.34
WAPA	April power	\$17,362.79
Wesco	Supplies/equipment	\$28,092.85
<b>TOTAL MAY 21 PAID JUNE 21</b>		<b>\$186,184.42</b>

Sanders moved to approve payment of the utility claims as presented. Peterson seconded the motion. Ayes: All Nays: None

Total revenues for the Electric and Water Utilities were \$177,163.77.

**TELECOM CLAIMS** The following bills were presented for approval:  
**LIST**

**ACCOUNTS PAYABLE  
Telecom**

**FOR**

**MAY 21 PD JUNE 21**

Alliant	Service	\$212.78
Alta Municipal Utilities	Utilities	\$922.18
Altatec	Phone	\$320.40
Altatec	DID line charge	\$1,666.08
Ancerly Hosting	Service	\$20.00
Aureon	DA/Calea	\$83.32
Bally Sports N	May access	\$1,506.25
Big Ten Network	May access	\$542.25
Bouhey, Donald/Florence	Phone CR refund	\$25.38
Buena Vista County E911	May	\$231.82
BV Ag Society	Donation	\$125.00
Card Connect	April service fee	\$343.39
Century Link	Access	\$176.89
Community Oil	Fuel	\$67.29
Consortia	Service	\$1,252.50
Hy-Vee	Supplies	\$25.83
Interstate TRS Fund	Assessment	\$121.03
KAYL	Public relations	\$52.50
KMEG	May access	\$1,084.50
Long Lines	Access	\$10,158.40
Lumen	Access	\$47.61
MLB Network	April access	\$158.10
NCTC	May access	\$17,455.00
NeoTek	Service	\$464.87
Nexstar	April access	\$1,144.75
Pender, Karen	Phone/Internet CR refund	\$30.78
Pilot Tribune	Public relations	\$128.26
ProElect	Service	\$90.00
Showtime	May access	\$42.99
T. P. Anderson & Co.	Audit	\$4,750.00
Treasurer State of Iowa	May sales tax	\$2,467.54
U. S. Bank	Copier contract	\$30.12
United Bank	Telecom bond	\$1,960.22
Vector	Insurance	\$327.45
Wages	May	\$14,536.09
<b>TOTAL MAY 21 PD JUNE 21</b>		<b>\$62,571.57</b>

Sanders moved to approve payment of the telecom claims as presented. Hach seconded the motion. Ayes: All Nays: None

Total revenues for the Telephone and Cable/Internet Utilities were \$74,754.17.

**FINANCIAL  
REPORTS**

The board performed a detailed review of the financial reports and power cost report. \$21,289.50 was credited back to the customers on the power cost adjustment last month.

**PUBLIC FORUM** Mayor Walsh and Council Member Henderson welcomed Schreck to the Board of Trustees and thanked Van Houten for his service to the Board and to the City of Alta.

**TELECOM CLERK** Discussion was held on the two candidates that were interviewed for the Telecom Clerk's position. Peterson made the motion to offer Stephanie Drzycimski the position starting at \$15.00 an hour and look at some vacation after the ninety-day orientation period. Seconded by Bartel. Ayes: Sanders, Van Houten, Peterson, Bartel  
Nays: None Abstain: Hach

**ELECTRIC** More information is being sent to DGR for the electric rate study.

**MANAGER'S REPORT** There will be a special utility meeting for the 2020 audit scheduled for 4:30 p.m. Wednesday, June 16, 2021.

Walter Scott 4 coal fired base load generation plant was in operation because of the high temperatures and low wind speeds. An IAMU webinar is set for Wednesday to start learning about the impacts of electric vehicles will have on distribution systems and changing electric demand for utilities.

**NEXT MEETING DATES** The next regular meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, July 13, 2021, at 4:30 p.m. at Alta City Hall.

**MOTION TO ADJOURN** Motion made by Hach to adjourn the meeting at 5:56 p.m. Seconded by Sanders. Ayes: All Nays: None

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