

BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

The regular meeting of the CITY OF FARMINGTON BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSIONERS was held Wednesday, March 11, 2020 at 3:00 p.m., in the Executive Conference Room, City Hall, 800 Municipal Dr., Farmington, New Mexico in full conformity with the laws and ordinances of the Municipality.

Upon roll call, the following were found to be present, constituting a quorum:

Commission members present:	James Spence, Chair Marty Johnson Gordon Glass Connie Dinning Tory N. Larsen Drew Degner Linda Corwin Joanne Duckwitz
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Commission members absent:	Alex Uhl Jeff Parkes Kyle Westall
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constituting all members of said Advisory Commission.

Also present were:

Electric Engineering	John Armenta
Electric Generation	Britt Chesnut
Electric Field Operations	Luke Lugenbeel
Electric Utility Business Operations	Brandon Hill
Electric Customer Service	Nicki Parks
Community Works	Jeff Smaka
Community Works/Jacobs	Teresa Garcia
Administrative Services	Sheree Wilson
Legal	Jennifer Breakell
PUC Secretary	Amy McKinley

The meeting was convened by the Chair.

A motion was made by Commissioner Dinning to approve the Minutes of the February 12, 2020 meeting noting the necessary adjustment that Wastewater Utility Net income decreased \$1.9 million and not \$19 million as was entered into the draft Minutes. Commissioner Larsen seconded the motion and upon voice vote, the motion carried unanimously.

BUSINESS

Water/Wastewater Report

Mr. Jeff Smaka reviewed the activities of the water/wastewater utilities for the month of February. He highlighted a few projects currently underway: 2P Waterline Phase II is completed and all paperwork has been submitted to the New Mexico Finance Authority for project closeout; approximately 35% of the 2P Phase III project is complete; the project on North Dustin Avenue is approximately 55% complete.

Water Treatment Plants Improvements Study

David Sypher Community Works Director, addressed the commission regarding the Water Treatment Plants Improvements Study. Jill Peterson, PE, Jacobs, was in attendance to answer questions regarding the Water Treatment Plants Improvements Study and the staff

recommendation to provide reliable water service to the residents of the City of Farmington for the next twenty years plus.

Following brief discussion, Commissioner Dinning made a motion to recommend to city council its approval of the proposed improvements to Water Treatment Plant #1 and Water Treatment Plant #2 as outlined in the Study. Commissioner Duckwitz seconded.

Those voting aye:	James Spence	Marty Johnson
	Gordon Glass	Connie Dinning
	Tory N. Larsen	Drew Degner
	Linda Corwin	Joanne Duckwitz

Those voting nay: None

The Chair thereupon declared the motion passed.

Water/Wastewater Operations Report

As an alternative to in person tours of various facilities, Ms. Teresa Garcia utilized a presentation to provide a virtual tour of many of Farmington's water facilities.

College Circuit Operation

FEUS Engineering Manager John Armenta and Relay Engineer Michael Grunwaldt offered a presentation detailing the February 18, 2020 power outage that impacted customers receiving power from the College Substation. The outage was caused by wildlife encountering the energized equipment.

Commissioner Larsen asked how much it cost to make repairs caused by this outage and Mr. Grunwaldt estimated a cost of \$5,000. He noted this type of outage scenario is somewhat rare, possibly occurring once in twenty years.

Electric Utility Report

Mr. Brandon Hill offered information from the Electric Utility Report for the month of February. For February 2020, Customer Consumption (residential, commercial, and industrial) was 77,000MWH. For February 2019 consumption was 82,000MWH.

Discussion ensued as staff provided details in response to the question by Commissioner Glass regarding historical budget figures that appear to demonstrate more funds were budgeted than were spent for capital improvement projects.

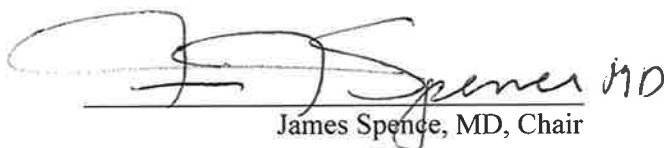
Business from the Floor

No business from the floor.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Commission, upon motion duly made and seconded, the meeting adjourned at 4:46 pm.

Approved this 8th day of July, 2020.


James Spence, MD, Chair