

WORK SESSION MINUTES – WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2024

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The Board of Public Utilities of Kansas City, Kansas (aka BPU, We, Us, Our) met in Work Session on Wednesday, September 18, 2024 at 4:00 PM. The following Board Members were present: Thomas Groneman, President; David Haley, Vice President; Stevie A. Wakes Sr., Secretary; and Mary Gonzales. Rose Mulvany Henry and Brett Parker participated via Zoom.

Also present: William Johnson, General Manager; Angela Lawson, Acting Chief Counsel; Casey Meyer; Legal Counsel; Jeremy Ash, Chief Operating Officer; Lori Austin, Chief Financial Officer; Abbey Frye, Chief Administrative Officer; Leigh Mulholland, Chief Compliance Officer; Jerry Sullivan, Chief Information Officer; Donald Stahl, Executive Director Electric Production; Andrew Ferris, Director Financial Planning; Gabriela Freeman, Supervisor Customer Services; Tamara Millsap, Supervisor Collections; Mark Masloski, Meter Data Management System Analyst; and Robert Kamp, IT Project Manager.

A video of this meeting is on file at the Board of Public Utilities and can be found on the BPU website, www.bpu.com.

Mr. Groneman called the meeting to order at 4:00 PM.

Roll call was taken. All members were present, except for Mr. Wakes, who arrived after roll call and Mr. Haley, who arrived via Zoom at 4:01 PM and in person at 5:56 PM.

Item #3 – Approval of Agenda

A motion was made to approve the Agenda, by Ms. Gonzales, seconded by Mr. Parker, and unanimously carried.

Item #4 – Final IRP Overview

Mr. Chuck Poston and Mr. Gary Wilmes, Black & Veatch, presented an overview of the final Integrated Resource Plan (IRP) results to the Board. (To view full report, use link: <https://www.bpu.com/Portals/0/pdf/KC-BPU-2024-IRP-202408.pdf>). Points discussed included:

- The cost verses revenue of various renewable contracts.
- The possibility of reviewing the IRP process more frequently than the current five-year process.

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- The potential use of battery storage in the future for renewable energy and the cost associated.
- An opportunity for additional public comments to be shared in writing, with a verbal public comments section during the October 16th Regular Session meeting.
- A Resolution for approval to be presented during the November 6th Regular Session meeting.

Mr. Poston, Mr. Wilmes, Mr. Ferris, and Mr. Johnson responded to questions and comments from the Board.

Item #5 – Customer Service Policy Review

The Board discussed updates that were made to the Customer Service Policy by the Policy Committee and staff (see attached documents.). Items discussed included:

- Revisions to the current Customer Service fee schedule.
- Assigning definitions to items that were previously undefined.
- The amount of time BPU could collect bad debt.

Due to time, the Board would continue discussion of the Customer Service Policy modifications prior to adoption.

Item #5 – Adjourn

A motion was made to adjourn the Work Session at 5:58 PM, by Mr. Wakes, seconded by Mr. Haley, and unanimously carried.

ATTEST:



Secretary

APPROVED:



President