

MINUTES OF MEETING OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE  
MUNICIPAL ELECTRIC UTILITY, CITY OF CEDAR FALLS, IOWA

**September 11, 2024**

The Board of Trustees of the Municipal Electric Utility of the City of Cedar Falls, Iowa, met on the above date in regular session, pursuant to law and the rules of said Board.

The meeting was called to order at 2:00 p.m. by Vice Chair MaraBeth K. Soneson. Upon call of the roll, present were: Trustees: MaraBeth K. Soneson, Nick A. Evens (electronically), Debra S. Iehl, and Richard L. McAlister. Absent: Jeffrey J. Engel. Others present: Susan M. Abernathy, General Manager/CEO; Bradley M. Strouse, Board Counsel, and City of Cedar Falls Mayor Daniel Laudick.

Moved by Trustee McAlister, seconded by Trustee Iehl to approve the agenda as printed and distributed. Upon call for the vote, all Trustees voted aye. Nay: None. Absent: Engel. Motion carried.

New employees Cory Hermann, Hoyt Chase and Bryan Grady were introduced.

Moved by Trustee Iehl, seconded by Trustee McAlister to approve the minutes of the August 14, 2024, regular meeting, and the August 28, 2024, special meeting as printed and distributed. Upon call for the vote, all Trustees voted aye. Nay: None. Absent: Engel. Motion carried. Moved by Trustee Iehl, seconded by Trustee McAlister to approve the Schedule of Bills for the month of August that by reference is made a part hereof and placed in permanent files of said Board of Trustees. Said schedule covers the dates of August 1, 2024, through August 31, 2024; check numbers: 158925-158928; 158941-158969; 159009-159019; 159031-159048; 159087-159102; 159125-159151; 159200-159201; 159215-159233; 159260-159275; 159337-159339; 232769-232968; 046875753902; 051379309448; 090802204896; 155443803334; 172112643903; 192486486766; 201850426445; 220405419236; 233449779966; 235752202449; 248013297595; 325682989785; 337557739615; 348255868115; 361524406318; 406108791716; 427757712054; 428726663945; 480463171366; 497791813767; 553792577139; 571623166307; 600548931548; 633310029635; 717539761159; 743063983645; 757348657745; 761171780778; 768117375866; 772405251047; 789615856998; 797799534664; 821797573770; 867000176377; 871555847780; 899323216654; 899408907032; 899589422322; 899714212047; 899774680790; 899789846539;

899798236458; 899915424473; 923240612706; 982916066609; a detailed itemized copy of which has been submitted to the Board of Trustees. Upon call for the vote, all Trustees voted aye: Soneson, Evens, Iehl, and McAlister. Nay: None. Absent: Engel. Motion carried.

Moved by Trustee Iehl, seconded by Trustee McAlister to receive and file personnel action reports and a report of contracts executed by the General Manager. Upon call for the vote, all Trustees voted aye. Nay: None. Absent: Engel. Motion carried.

Mayor Daniel Laudick was present to proclaim October 2, 2024, as Energy Efficiency Day and October 6-12, 2024, as Public Power Week. Signed proclamations were presented to General Manager Abernathy.

Moved by Trustee Iehl, seconded by Trustee McAlister to adopt the following Resolutions by one motion:

**No. 6621** Resolution approving and authorizing execution of a contract with Reinhausen Manufacturing, Inc. of Humboldt, Tennessee in the amount of \$371,239.43 for gas turbine substation transformer upgrades for 2025.

**No. 6623** Resolution setting the date as October 9, 2024, at 2:00 p.m. for a public hearing on proposed lease of real property; and authorizing and directing publication of a notice of public hearing.

Upon call of the roll, the following Trustees voted aye: Soneson, Evens, Iehl, and McAlister. Nay: None. Absent: Engel. Motion carried.

The following items were presented for information purposes only: an update on a vehicle purchase was provided and nationwide rate comparisons were reviewed.

The Board requested a review of the impact of large increases in energy demand from bitcoin operations, data centers and artificial intelligence (AI) during 2025 Strategic Planning.

Moved by Trustee Iehl, seconded by Trustee McAlister to adjourn the meeting. Upon call for the vote, all Trustees voted aye. Nay: None. Absent: Engel. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 2:22 p.m.

MINUTES OF MEETING OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE  
MUNICIPAL GAS UTILITY, CITY OF CEDAR FALLS, IOWA

**September 11, 2024**

The Board of Trustees of the Municipal Gas Utility of the City of Cedar Falls, Iowa, met on the above date in regular session, pursuant to law and the rules of said Board.

The meeting was called to order at 2:00 p.m. by Vice Chair MaraBeth K. Soneson. Upon call of the roll, present were: Trustees: MaraBeth K. Soneson, Nick A. Evens (electronically), Debra S. Iehl, and Richard L. McAlister. Absent: Jeffrey J. Engel. Others present: Susan M. Abernathy, General Manager/CEO; Bradley M. Strouse, Board Counsel, and City of Cedar Falls Mayor Daniel Laudick.

Moved by Trustee McAlister, seconded by Trustee Iehl to approve the agenda as printed and distributed. Upon call for the vote, all Trustees voted aye. Nay: None. Absent: Engel. Motion carried.

New employees Cory Hermann, Hoyt Chase and Bryan Grady were introduced.

Moved by Trustee Iehl, seconded by Trustee McAlister to approve the minutes of the August 14, 2024, regular meeting, and the August 28, 2024, special meeting as printed and distributed. Upon call for the vote, all Trustees voted aye. Nay: None. Absent: Engel. Motion carried. Moved by Trustee Iehl, seconded by Trustee McAlister to approve the Schedule of Bills for the month of August that by reference is made a part hereof and placed in permanent files of said Board of Trustees. Said schedule covers the dates of August 1, 2024, through August 31, 2024; check numbers: 158925-158928; 158941-158969; 159009-159019; 159031-159048; 159087-159102; 159125-159151; 159200-159201; 159215-159233; 159260-159275; 159337-159339; 232769-232968; 046875753902; 051379309448; 090802204896; 155443803334; 172112643903; 192486486766; 201850426445; 220405419236; 233449779966; 235752202449; 248013297595; 325682989785; 337557739615; 348255868115; 361524406318; 406108791716; 427757712054; 428726663945; 480463171366; 497791813767; 553792577139; 571623166307; 600548931548; 633310029635; 717539761159; 743063983645; 757348657745; 761171780778; 768117375866; 772405251047; 789615856998; 797799534664; 821797573770; 867000176377; 871555847780; 899323216654; 899408907032; 899589422322; 899714212047; 899774680790; 899789846539;

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Moved by Trustee Iehl, seconded by Trustee McAlister to receive and file personnel action reports and a report of contracts executed by the General Manager. Upon call for the vote, all Trustees voted aye. Nay: None. Absent: Engel. Motion carried.

Mayor Daniel Laudick was present to proclaim October 2, 2024, as Energy Efficiency Day and October 6-12, 2024, as Public Power Week. Signed proclamations were presented to General Manager Abernathy.

There were no Board requests to staff.

Moved by Trustee Iehl, seconded by Trustee McAlister to adjourn the meeting. Upon call for the vote, all Trustees voted aye. Nay: None. Absent: Engel. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 2:22 p.m.

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Jeffrey J. Engel – Chair

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Nick A. Evens – Secretary

MINUTES OF MEETING OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE  
MUNICIPAL WATER UTILITY, CITY OF CEDAR FALLS, IOWA

**September 11, 2024**

The Board of Trustees of the Municipal Water Utility of the City of Cedar Falls, Iowa, met on the above date in regular session, pursuant to law and the rules of said Board.

The meeting was called to order at 2:00 p.m. by Vice Chair MaraBeth K. Soneson. Upon call of the roll, present were: Trustees: MaraBeth K. Soneson, Nick A. Evens (electronically), Debra S. Iehl, and Richard L. McAlister. Absent: Jeffrey J. Engel. Others present: Susan M. Abernathy, General Manager/CEO; Bradley M. Strouse, Board Counsel, and City of Cedar Falls Mayor Daniel Laudick.

Moved by Trustee McAlister, seconded by Trustee Iehl to approve the agenda as printed and distributed. Upon call for the vote, all Trustees voted aye. Nay: None. Absent: Engel. Motion carried.

New employees Cory Hermann, Hoyt Chase and Bryan Grady were introduced.

Moved by Trustee Iehl, seconded by Trustee McAlister to approve the minutes of the August 14, 2024, regular meeting, and the August 28, 2024, special meeting as printed and distributed. Upon call for the vote, all Trustees voted aye. Nay: None. Absent: Engel. Motion carried. Moved by Trustee Iehl, seconded by Trustee McAlister to approve the Schedule of Bills for the month of August that by reference is made a part hereof and placed in permanent files of said Board of Trustees. Said schedule covers the dates of August 1, 2024, through August 31, 2024; check numbers: 158925-158928; 158941-158969; 159009-159019; 159031-159048; 159087-159102; 159125-159151; 159200-159201; 159215-159233; 159260-159275; 159337-159339; 232769-232968; 046875753902; 051379309448; 090802204896; 155443803334; 172112643903; 192486486766; 201850426445; 220405419236; 233449779966; 235752202449; 248013297595; 325682989785; 337557739615; 348255868115; 361524406318; 406108791716; 427757712054; 428726663945; 480463171366; 497791813767; 553792577139; 571623166307; 600548931548; 633310029635; 717539761159; 743063983645; 757348657745; 761171780778; 768117375866; 772405251047; 789615856998; 797799534664; 821797573770; 867000176377; 871555847780; 899323216654; 899408907032; 899589422322; 899714212047; 899774680790; 899789846539;

899798236458; 899915424473; 923240612706; 982916066609; a detailed itemized copy of which has been submitted to the Board of Trustees. Upon call for the vote, all Trustees voted aye: Soneson, Evens, Iehl, and McAlister. Nay: None. Absent: Engel. Motion carried.

Moved by Trustee Iehl, seconded by Trustee McAlister to receive and file personnel action reports and a report of contracts executed by the General Manager. Upon call for the vote, all Trustees voted aye. Nay: None. Absent: Engel. Motion carried.

Mayor Daniel Laudick was present to proclaim October 2, 2024, as Energy Efficiency Day and October 6-12, 2024, as Public Power Week. Signed proclamations were presented to General Manager Abernathy.

Moved by Trustee Iehl, seconded by Trustee McAlister to adopt **Resolution No. 6620** accepting as final the Recoating of the Terrace Drive Water Tower Project; and authorizing the release of retainage funds in the amount of \$49,000.00 to O&J Coatings, Inc. to be paid 30 days after the date of this Resolution. Upon call of the roll, the following Trustees voted aye: Soneson, Evens, Iehl, and McAlister. Nay: None. Absent: Engel. Motion carried.

A public hearing was held on the proposed lease of real property located at 1418 Lloyd Lane Road for the placement of communications equipment.

Moved by Trustee McAlister, seconded by Trustee Iehl to receive and file proof of publication of the Notice of Hearing. Upon call of the roll, the following Trustees voted aye: Soneson, Evens, Iehl, and McAlister. Nay: None. Absent: Engel. Motion carried.

There were no written objections filed with the General Manager of Utilities. No oral objections were heard at the hearing. Vice Chair Soneson declared the hearing closed.

Moved by Trustee Iehl, seconded by Trustee McAlister to adopt **Resolution No. 6624** approving and authorizing execution of an agreement for the lease of real property located at 1418 Lloyd Lane Road for the placement of communications equipment. Upon call of the roll, the following Trustees voted aye: Soneson, Evens, Iehl, and McAlister. Nay: None. Absent: Engel. Motion carried.

There were no Board requests to staff.

Moved by Trustee Iehl, seconded by Trustee McAlister to adjourn the meeting. Upon call for the vote, all Trustees voted aye. Nay: None. Absent: Engel. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 2:22 p.m.

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Jeffrey J. Engel – Chair

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Nick A. Evens – Secretary

MINUTES OF MEETING OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE  
MUNICIPAL COMMUNICATIONS UTILITY, CITY OF CEDAR FALLS, IOWA

**September 11, 2024**

The Board of Trustees of the Municipal Communications Utility of the City of Cedar Falls, Iowa, met on the above date in regular session, pursuant to law and the rules of said Board.

The meeting was called to order at 2:00 p.m. by Vice Chair MaraBeth K. Soneson. Upon call of the roll, present were: Trustees: MaraBeth K. Soneson, Nick A. Evens (electronically), Debra S. Iehl, and Richard L. McAlister. Absent: Jeffrey J. Engel. Others present: Susan M. Abernathy, General Manager/CEO; Bradley M. Strouse, Board Counsel, and City of Cedar Falls Mayor Daniel Laudick.

Moved by Trustee McAlister, seconded by Trustee Iehl to approve the agenda as printed and distributed. Upon call for the vote, all Trustees voted aye. Nay: None. Absent: Engel. Motion carried.

New employees Cory Hermann, Hoyt Chase and Bryan Grady were introduced.

Moved by Trustee Iehl, seconded by Trustee McAlister to approve the minutes of the August 14, 2024, regular meeting, and the August 28, 2024, special meeting as printed and distributed. Upon call for the vote, all Trustees voted aye. Nay: None. Absent: Engel. Motion carried. Moved by Trustee Iehl, seconded by Trustee McAlister to approve the Schedule of Bills for the month of August that by reference is made a part hereof and placed in permanent files of said Board of Trustees. Said schedule covers the dates of August 1, 2024, through August 31, 2024; check numbers: 158925-158928; 158941-158969; 159009-159019; 159031-159048; 159087-159102; 159125-159151; 159200-159201; 159215-159233; 159260-159275; 159337-159339; 232769-232968; 046875753902; 051379309448; 090802204896; 155443803334; 172112643903; 192486486766; 201850426445; 220405419236; 233449779966; 235752202449; 248013297595; 325682989785; 337557739615; 348255868115; 361524406318; 406108791716; 427757712054; 428726663945; 480463171366; 497791813767; 553792577139; 571623166307; 600548931548; 633310029635; 717539761159; 743063983645; 757348657745; 761171780778; 768117375866; 772405251047; 789615856998; 797799534664; 821797573770; 867000176377; 871555847780; 899323216654; 899408907032; 899589422322; 899714212047; 899774680790; 899789846539;



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Moved by Trustee Iehl, seconded by Trustee McAlister to receive and file personnel action reports and a report of contracts executed by the General Manager. Upon call for the vote, all Trustees voted aye. Nay: None. Absent: Engel. Motion carried.

Moved by Trustee Iehl, seconded by Trustee McAlister to adopt the following Resolutions by one motion:

**No. 6618** Resolution approving and authorizing execution of an agreement with Black Hawk Solid Waste Management Commission to provide specialized communications services.

**No. 6619** Resolution approving and authorizing execution of an agreement with Cologix US, Inc. to provide specialized communications services.

Upon call of the roll, the following Trustees voted aye: Soneson, Evens, Iehl, and McAlister. Nay: None. Absent: Engel. Motion carried.

There were no Board requests to staff.

Moved by Trustee Iehl, seconded by Trustee McAlister to adjourn the meeting. Upon call for the vote, all Trustees voted aye. Nay: None. Absent: Engel. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 2:22 p.m.