



## ROCHELLE UTILITY ADVISORY BOARD

Minutes Wednesday, April 8th, 2015

The Rochelle Utility Advisory Board met on Wednesday, April 8th, 2015 in the RMU Technology Center, 910 Technology Parkway.

Present at the meeting:

Bob Elliott UAB Chair  
Richard Ohlinger  
Mark Batty UAB  
Jim Black UAB

Dave Plyman City Manager  
Chet Olson Mayor  
Barbara Bell RMU  
Jeff Sartorius RMU  
Adam Lanning RMU  
Dan Westin RMU  
Chris Frye City

**1. Roll Call:** Present: Bob Elliott, Richard Ohlinger, Mark Batty, Jim Black

**2. Approval of Minutes:**

MOTION: To approve the UAB meeting minutes dated February 11th, 2015

MAKER: Batty      SECOND: Black

VOICE VOTE:      Motion carried

**3. Economic Development Update was tabled as Jason Anderson had a conflict.**

**4. Customer Service Update**

Barbara Bell reviewed the updates to the Integrated Voice Response system and related training. Radio ads have been updated including Hispanic radio ads. Roof top project is also advertised for additional participants in the test project based on the DEED grant.

**5. Water/WaterRec status**

Adam Lanning provided a comprehensive report of the status of W/WRec.

See enclosed report.

Chris provided comments on the financials of the enterprises.

**6. Advanced Communications update:**

Chris reviewed the finances. Scott updated on upcoming business; Hillcrest to be connected soon, Petro contract to be signed the current week. Additional work is going on for AMI and

Elster upgrades.

**7. Electrical Enterprise Status**

Chris reviewed the revenue/expense status of the electrical enterprise.

Jeff reviewed status of current projects. Caron Rd substation upgrade is about 40 % done.

The grant money in money out process was explained by Chris after a question by Mr. Ohlinger.

Dan reviewed the findings from the work Sargent Lundy and Baker Tilly as to electrical assets and depreciation status.

Jeff reviewed the status of the current electrical projects.

The status of the FERC Tariff Project and PJM Integration was reviewed. The FERC application was entered on April 7<sup>th</sup> through PJM.

NIMPA strategic planning was updated.

The UFS rate consultant's recommendation for rate modification for the coming fiscal year was reviewed.

MOTION: To approve the rate recommendation as presented:

MAKER: Mr. Black SECOND: Mr. Ohlinger

VOICE VOTE: Motion carried

**8. New Business: None**

**9. Comments from the board: None**

**10. Comments from the Public: None**

**11. Adjournment:**

MOTION: To adjourn at 4:58 p.m.

MAKER: Mr. Black SECOND: Mr. Elliott

VOICE VOTE: Motion carried

Submitted By Dan Westin