

Southwest Missouri Joint Municipal Water Utility Commission
Meeting to discuss and pass bylaws
Tuesday, November 25, 2014 – 11:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.
Carthage Water and Electric
627 W. Centennial Ave., Carthage, MO 64836

Welcome and Attendance:

Members of the Southwest Missouri Joint Municipal Water Utility Commission met for the first time after approving the Joint Contract on 3/21/12. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss and approve a set of bylaws so that the Commission can function within the legal framework assigned by the State of Missouri to Joint Municipal Utility Commissions.

With no bylaws yet approved, and no officers yet elected, these representatives of contracting members were present:

Lynn Calton – City of Lamar
Milton Dickensheet – City of Nixa
Nick Heatherly – City of Joplin
David Hertzberg – City of Joplin
Roddy Rogers – City Utilities of Springfield
Skip Schaller- City of Monett
Gene Stanton – City of Mt. Vernon
Bob Williams – Carthage Water and Electric

These members were absent:

Carl Francis – City of Webb City

Staff present:

Gail Melgren – Executive Director, S.W. Mo. Joint Municipal Water Utility Commission

Approval of Minutes:

There were no minutes to approve.

Approval of Bylaws:

Board members discussed a draft set of bylaws. Several minor changes were made.

Milton Dickensheet moved, seconded by Gene Stanton, that the bylaws as revised be adopted. The motion carried unanimously.

Election of Temporary Officers:

The board elected two temporary officers to serve in a governance capacity should the need arise and also as a nominating committee to develop a future slate of officers.

David Hertzberg moved, seconded by Lynn Calton, that Bob Williams serve as temporary Chairman and Roddy Rogers serve as temporary Vice Chairman, and that Mr. Williams and Mr. Rogers serve as a nominating committee to develop a slate of officers for future consideration. The motion carried unanimously.

Executive Director Report:

Ms. Melgren suggested that discussion at subsequent meetings focus on development of capacity in three main areas: financial, legal and technical.

She will develop a contact list of SWMJMWUC members, including designated representatives and alternates.

She reported the web page up and running, with a notice for the current meeting having been posted electronically there, and also on the bulletin board of Carthage Water and Electric.

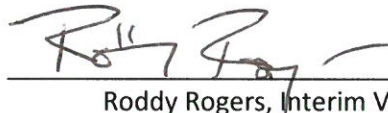
There was some discussion by the board about the importance of following all requirements of the Sunshine Law.

Ms. Melgren asked that the board give some consideration to membership rules and requirements moving forward.

It was agreed that the next meeting of the board will be January 21st, at 1:30 p.m.

Adjournment:

Gene Stanton moved, seconded by Lynn Calton that the meeting adjourn. The motion carried, with all voting "aye".



Roddy Rogers, Interim Vice Chairman