



**July 7, 2025
Regular Board Meeting**

The Regular Meeting of Madison Utilities convened at the Madison Utilities' Office located at 101 Ray Sanderson Drive with Chairman Terris Tatum presiding. Vice Chairman Kerry Straub, Director Connie Spears, Director Al Sullivan, and Director Larry Miles were in attendance. Also, present were Secretary/Treasurer/General Manager Emory DeBord and recording Clerk Jodie Parker.

Others present were Water Manager David Moore, Wastewater Manager Mark Bland, Finance Manager Gary Sparks, Customer Service Manager Misty Leftwich, New Development Coordinator Reece Lee, Assistant Finance Manager Drew Greene, and Attorney Woody Sanderson.

Chairman Terris Tatum called the Regular Board meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Registered public in attendance: None

1. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

2. CURRENT AGENDA/MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

a. July 7, 2025 Current Agenda

The agenda for the July 7, 2025 Regular Meeting was presented to the Board. Director Sullivan moved to approve the July 7, 2025 Regular Meeting Agenda; Director Spears seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

b. June 16, 2025 Regular Meeting Minutes

The minutes for the June 16, 2025 Regular Meeting were presented to the Board. Director Spears moved to approve the June 16, 2025 Regular Meeting Minutes; Director Sullivan seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

c. June 16, 2025 Work Session Meeting Minutes

The minutes for the June 16, 2025 Work Session Meeting were presented to the Board. Director Spears moved to approve the June 16, 2025 Work Session Meeting Minutes; Director Sullivan seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

3. PLATS/BONDS

a. Preliminary Project Approval

None

b. Dedication and Improvements

i. Prime Mini Storage

Vice Chairman Straub moved to approve the Dedication and Improvements for Prime Mini Storage; Director Miles seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

4. OLD BUSINESS

None

5. NEW BUSINESS

a. First Read – Notification of Will Serve Request – The Oaks

New Development Coordinator Lee reminded the Board that the Will Serve Request is just a first read, and no action was needed. He added that The Oaks is not within the limits of the City of Madison.

b. Quinn Tank Rehab Inspection

New Development Coordinator Lee stated that the Quinn Tank is being recoated and realized that a retroactive contract was needed to complete the work. Director Miles moved to approve the Quinn Tank Rehab Inspection contract; Vice Chairman Straub seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

c. Award of Bid 506-2025 – Supply Polyblend Polymer System and Resolution No. WWB-118-2025

Wastewater Manager Bland explained that the original system to supply Polymer was installed in 2017 and needs replacement. He added that only one bid was received for MU Bid 506-2025.

Director Spears moved to approve the Award of Bid 506-2025 for the Supply of Polyblend Polymer System and Resolution No. WWB-118-2025; Director Sullivan seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

d. Keene Raw Tank Repair

New Development Coordinator Lee informed the Board that a quote was received to repair the damage to the Keene Raw Tank from the recent tornado. He added that there are few companies who can perform this type of work, and it did not need to be bid because it was lower than the threshold. Finance Manager Sparks stated that he is currently working with the insurance provider for reimbursement.

Director Miles moved to approve the Keene Raw Tank Repair; Vice Chairman Straub seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

e. Award of Bid 508-2025 - 2025 Water Meter Change Out Phase 2 and Resolution No. WWB-119-2025

Wastewater Manager Bland informed the Board that the current contractor is nearing the end of Phase 1 of the Water Meter Change Out program and that there was only one bid received for MU Bid 508-2025.

Director Miles moved to approve the Award of Bid for MU 508-2025 for the 2025 Water Meter Change Out Phase 2 and Resolution No. WWB-119-2025; Director Sullivan seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

f. Raw Water Main Phase 1 Engineering

Water Manager Moore stated that the proposal from Engineers of the South was received for the first phase of the raw water main which includes design and construction services.

Director Spears moved to approve the Engineering services contract for the Raw Water Main Phase 1; Director Sullivan seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

6. LEGAL

Attorney Sanderson briefly updated the Board about an ongoing workman's compensation case and stated that resolution could be lengthy. There was also some additional discussion regarding the receipt of a public records request.

7. WATER REPORT

Water Manager Moore commented the ADEM inspection at the Keene and Quarry plants went well but that he was waiting on the final recorded report. He added that the Quinn Tank is finished and back in operation.

8. WASTEWATER REPORT

Wastewater Manager Bland gave a brief update on the construction progress at the Wastewater Treatment Plant.

9. FINANCE REPORT

None

10. CUSTOMER SERVICE

None

11. GENERAL MANAGER REPORT

General Manager DeBord shared some of the takeaways from his meeting with Representative Dale Strong's office. New Development Coordinator Lee debuted the first customer newsletter which will be available quarterly to help keep customers aware of ongoing projects as well as upcoming events. General Manager DeBord additionally stated that Huntsville Utilities would be removing their payment kiosk from the MU lobby the end of July.

12. VICE CHAIRMAN STRAUB

None

13. DIRECTOR SULLIVAN

None

14. DIRECTOR MILES

None

15. DIRECTOR SPEARS

None

16. CHAIRMAN TATUM

None

17. ADJOURNMENT

At 6:56 p.m. the Board agreed to adjourn.

Approved,



Terris Tatum, Chairman



Kerry Straub, Vice Chairman



Al Sullivan, Director

Larry Miles, Director



Connie Spears, Director

ATTEST:


Emory DeBord, Secretary/Treasurer