

**MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
Thursday, August 26, 2021
1000 Civic Center Driver, Niles Illinois 60714**

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Pietron called the Regular Meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. on Thursday, August 26, 2021, in accordance with Open Meeting Act.

II. ROLL CALL

Superintendent Balling called the roll. Present were Commissioner Mark Fowler, Commissioner Skeffington-Vos and Chairman John Pietron.

Also present Hanna Sullivan and Ralph Czerwinski of Morton Grove. David Hoover and Chad Oldham of NIMEC.

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Pietron led the assemblage in the Pledge of Allegiance.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a. Regular Meeting July 22, 2021

Commissioner Fowler made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Skeffington-Vos, to approve Regular Meeting Minutes of July 22, 2021. On roll call, the vote was:

YEAS 3 Pietron, Fowler, Skeffington-Vos
NAYS 0
ABSENT 0
ABSTAIN 0

There being 3 affirmative votes, the **MOTION CARRIED**.

V. APPROVAL OF WARRANTS

a. Warrant for Payment 2021-08 in the amount of \$408,754.81

Commissioner Skeffington-Vos made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Fowler, to approve Warrant List 2021-08. On roll call, the vote was:

YEAS 3 Pietron, Fowler, Skeffington-Vos
NAYS 0
ABSENT 0
ABSTAIN 0

There being 3 affirmative votes, the **MOTION CARRIED**.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

a. Commission Approval – Acceptance of the Appointment of Joseph S. La Margo as MGNWC Commissioner Effective August 31, 2021 Representing the Village of Niles.

Chairman Pietron made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Skeffington-Vos, to approve Acceptance of the Appointment of Joseph S. La Margo as MGNWC Commissioner Effective August 31, 2021 representing the Village of Niles. On roll call, the vote was:

YEAS	3	Pietron, Fowler, Skeffington-Vos
NAYS	0	
ABSENT	0	
ABSTAIN	0	

There being 3 affirmative votes, the **MOTION CARRIED**.

b. Resolution 2021-04R Authorizing an Agreement between the Morton Grove-Niles Water Commission and Dynegy Energy Services LLC for Electrical Service
Superintendent Balling introduced David Hoover and Chad Oldham of the Northern Illinois Municipal Electric Collaborative (“NIMEC”), and provided a brief overview of how the Commission can benefit from entering into an aggregation program for the pump station. NIMEC presented an overview of its extensive experience with municipalities and the process in which fixed rates are bid out on the market. Commissioner Pietron question whether or not savings will occur. David Hoover of NIMEC, stated it will depend on the fixed rate in comparison to ComEd rate which fluctuates daily. Commissioners agreed that past usage analysis is necessary in order to make an informed decision. Furthermore, NIMEC provided an explanation that they are like a real estate broker; they bring the parties together for the best deal and there is no direct compensation from the Commission. Therefore, the decision to table this item was sought until the following month for further discussion and determination whether or not the fixed rate is a good fit and the best price by a supplier at the time of next month meeting. In addition, the recommendation sought is to provide the Superintendent authorization to execute a fixed rate agreement with a supplier to lock in the lowest price available.

Chairman Pietron made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Fowler, to table Resolution 2021-04R authorizing an agreement for electrical service at a fixed rate. On roll call, the vote was:

YEAS	3	Pietron, Fowler, Skeffington-Vos
NAYS	0	
ABSENT	0	
ABSTAIN	0	

There being 3 affirmative votes, the **MOTION CARRIED**.

VII. OLD BUSINESS – NONE

VIII. SUPERINTENDENTS REPORT – Superintendent Balling stated that an alternative date will be scheduled to tour the Evanston pump station.

IX. PUBLIC COMMENT – No members of the public present at the meeting location.

X. ADJOURNMENT – Commissioner Fowler made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Skeffington-Vos, to adjourn the meeting. On roll call the meeting was adjourned at 3:42p.m., the vote was:

YEAS 3 Pietron, Fowler, Skeffington-Vos

NAYS 0

ABSENT 0

ABSTAIN 0

There being 3 affirmative votes, the **MOTION CARRIED**.

Approved by the MGNWC Board of Commissioners
at its September 23, 2021 Meeting

