

Minutes for Public Utilities

February 16, 2021

Members present: Thomas, Fosnaugh, Swanger

Mr. Thomas called the meeting to order at 7:27PM.

Mrs. Swanger made a motion to approve minutes of 12/18/2018, Mrs. Fosnaugh 2nd; Roll call: Ayes – Thomas, Fosnaugh, Swanger

Minutes of 12/18/2018 approved (3-0)

Item 1. Item 1. tempORD 2021-17: ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH DYNEGY FOR A FIRM SUPPLY OF ELECTRIC POWER FOR MEMBERS OF THE CITY OF MARION AGGREGATION PROGRAM AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Law Director Russell explained that in the late 1990s, the State of Ohio deregulated the electric industry. They created a consumer shopping component, in regard to the electricity component of your electric bill. Essentially, almost everyone in the city of Marion uses Ohio Edison as the supplier of the electricity through the lines, however a person can shop -- since essentially 2002 -- for a provider. The residents of the city of Marion voted in 2001 to create the "Marion Electric Aggregation Program."

This ordinance is an administrative management activity that was last done 30 months ago. The City uses expert consultants in the field to find the best price possible in the market for our aggregation group. Last Thursday morning, the Public Works Director and Law Director talked with the consultants to the City. They identified Dynegy as the lowest priced provider for the next 12-month period. In order to continue to run the program, the committee does need to move it on to council and approve it this coming Monday night.

In response to Mr. Thomas, Russell explained that 30 months ago the best supply price that they found was from AEP and that price was just a little bit over a nickel a kilowatt an hour. This 12- month period that the City is proposed, and the experts recommend, is from Dynegy and it is set at four thousandths of a penny under a nickel per kilowatt hour. It is lower than what the program participants have paid for the last 30 months.

Swanger made a motion to recommend to council; Fosnaugh 2nd. Roll Call: Ayes – Thomas, Swanger, Fosnaugh. Nays – none.

Legislation recommended to council (3-0)

With no further business to come before council, Mr. Thomas adjourned the meeting at 7:31PM.

Chairperson Thomas

Clerk of Council