

The Atlantic Municipal Utilities' Board of Trustees met on January 18, 2017, at 11:00 a.m. in the Municipal Utilities business office for the purpose of conducting a special meeting to discuss potential electrical service for Elite Octane, LLC.

Present: Chairperson – Joyce Jensen; Trustees – Judd Meneely, Dave Sturm, Ted Robinson, and Joanne Lorence.

Absent: None.

Also Present: Steve J. Tjepkes, General Manager; Jennifer M. Saathoff, Board Secretary; Steve Nadel, Legal Counsel; Dave Jones, Mayor for the City of Atlantic; Russell Joyce, CADCO; Pat McCurdy, CADCO; Ron Fagan, Fagan Inc.; Ryan Pellett, J.D. Heiskell; Nick Bowdish, N Bowdish Company; Greg Hibner, Hawkeye Gold, and other supporters/investors of Elite Octane, LLC.

Chairperson Joyce Jensen called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m.

Trustee Lorence moved, seconded by Trustee Meneely, to adopt the meeting agenda. All ayes.

General Manager Tjepkes informed the Board that the reason for the special meeting was at the request of Ron Fagan to address the Board. General Manager Tjepkes then turned the floor over to representatives of the Elite Octane, LLC (Ron Fagan, Ryan Pellett, and Nick Bowdish). Each gentleman gave their perspective on the ethanol project and their concerns regarding electrical rates. The group requested an all-inclusive rate of \$0.056 per kWh or to have AMU release the ethanol plant property from AMU's service territory. They notified the Board if AMU cannot offer this rate then their major investor, J.D. Heiskell, will pull out as an investor with Elite Octane. Nick Bowdish informed the Board that he had contacted MidAmerican Energy about serving the ethanol plant and Sheila Tipton, a former board member for the Iowa Utilities Board and attorney for BrownWinick, for information on how AMU could relinquish their service territory to another utility.

At 12:45, Trustee Meneely excused himself from the meeting due to another commitment.

After discussion, Trustee Lorence made a motion for Utility personnel to communicate with Missouri River Energy Services, a wholesale power supplier contracted with AMU to provide additional energy requirements to AMU, to deliver the message that a major investor of the proposed ethanol plant will withdraw from the project if Elite Octane cannot get a rate of \$0.056 per kWh. The motion was seconded by Trustee Sturm. All ayes

There being no further business. Trustee Robinson moved to adjourn, seconded by Trustee

Lorence. The meeting was adjourned at 1:21 P.M.

Joyce Jensen, Chairperson

Attest:

Jennifer M. Saathoff, Secretary