

**Commission Members Present via Zoom:** Dan Herlihey, Gary Hausman (Chair), Gene Packer, John Butler, Randy Williams, and Richard Rhoads.

**Commission Members Absent:** Don Cook (excused) and Stephanie Fancher-English (excused).

**Council Liaison Present via Zoom:** Councilor Rob Molloy.

**City Staff Members Present:** Bill Crowell, Christine Schraeder, Derek Turner, Frank Lindauer, Jim Lees, Joe Bernosky, John Beckstrom, John Faulkner, Kim O'Field, Larry Howard, Luis Sandoval, Lynn Valdez, Michelle Erickson, Nathan Alburn, Roger Berg, Ronnie Gao, Ryan Van Pelt, Tanner Randall, and Yarani Vazquez.

**Guest Attendance:** None.

**CALL TO ORDER:** Gary Hausman called the meeting to order at 4:00 PM.

**Item 2.1 Approval of Minutes:** Hausman asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the August 19, 2020 meeting.

**Motion:** Dan Herlihey made the motion.

**Second:** John Butler seconded the motion. The minutes were approved unanimously with a **6-0 vote**.

**Item 2.2 Approval of Minutes:** Hausman asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the September 1, 2020 meeting.

**Motion:** Dan Herlihey made the motion.

**Second:** Gene Packer seconded the motion. The minutes were approved unanimously with a **6-0 vote**.

### CITIZENS REPORT

None.

### STAFF REPORT

**Item 4.1: Introduction to New Senior Electrical Engineer, Xiaoxiang (Ronnie) Gao – Bill Crowell**

This item introduced Ronnie Gao, the new Senior Electrical Engineer for the Power Division.

**Recommendation:** Staff Report only. No action required.

**Item 4.2: Introduction to New Electrical Engineer, Luis Sandoval – Bill Crowell**

This item introduced Luis Sandoval, the new Electrical Engineer for the Power Division.

**Recommendation:** Staff Report only. No action required.

**Item 4.3: Introduction to New Civil Engineer, John Faulkner – Roger Berg**

This item introduced John Faulkner, the new Civil Engineer for the Water Division.

**Recommendation:** Staff Report only. No action required.

**Item 4.4: Introduction to New Loveland Water and Power Website – Lynn Valdez**

The Loveland Water and Power Department has recently released a new website that can be viewed by going to <http://www.lovelandwaterandpower.org>. The new website is loaded with videos and photos of some of the work being done at Water and Power. The new website also helps clarify our roles for the customers and direct questions. This will increase efficiency in many aspects of Water and Power.

**Recommendation:** Staff Report only. No action required.

## INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

### Item 5.1: Financial Report Update – Jim Lees

This item summarizes the monthly and year-to date financials for August 2020

**Recommendation:** Information Only. No Action Required.

## REGULAR AGENDA

### Item 6.1: 2021 Water and Power Utility Rates, Charges, and Fees – Jim Lees

The purpose of this item is to ask the Loveland Utilities Commission to adopt a motion recommending that City Council approve the proposed changes in the Water and Power Utility Rates, Charges and Fees for 2021.

**Recommendation:** Adopt A Motion Recommending That City Council Approve The Proposed Changes In The Water And Power Schedule Of Rates, Charges And Fees For 2021.

**Motion:** Herlihey made the motion.

**Second:** Don Cook seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously with a **6-0 Vote**.

## COMMISSION/COUNCIL REPORTS

### Item 8.1: Commission/Council Reports

**Dan Herlihey:** Shouted out to Gary Hausman for his photo in the Reporter Herald.

**Don Cook:** None.

**Gary Hausman:** None.

**Gene Packer:** Packer is working for the US Census, and he recently located a bear sitting in a pear tree within the City.

**John Butler:** None.

**Randy Williams:** None.

**Richard Rhoads:** None.

**Stephanie Fancher-English:** None.

**Council Report:** Councilor Molloy discussed the recent City Council meeting. **Molloy** said that there was a presentation by Nathan Alburn on the timing of water rights requirements for new development. This is a huge benefit for Loveland, and Council passed this item unanimously. This means that the water requirements aren't due for the Developer until the building permit is due, so they are not paying water fees up front. They will pay them as the houses are built. This will open the door for continuation of quality development for the City. In addition, the Windy Gap Firing Project Water Activity Enterprise passed. It was a great presentation by Larry Howard, and it passed unanimously.

## DIRECTOR'S REPORT

**Item 9.1: Director's Report – Joe Bernosky** said that next month (October), we will be presenting the Raw Water Master Plan to LUC. **Bernosky** said that this meeting will go considerably longer than normal meetings. **Bernosky** also gave an update regarding SARS COVID-19 issues and the Department. We have been contacted by Larimer County to participate in a testing study for SARS COVID-19. **Bernosky** also discussed the Monroe and 29<sup>th</sup> Street Pipe repair. This project is called the N. Monroe Water Line Replacement project and involves the replacement of ~1,100' of failing 10" ductile iron pipe with 12" PVC. The project runs from Monroe and 29<sup>th</sup> Street to the south end of the neighboring Conrad Ball Middle School property. The last leak that was there was a 3 foot long split, 4 inches in width. This will be done on a semi-emergency basis. We have been getting bids and funding from other projects to complete this repair. **Bernosky** said that the American Public Works Association awarded the City of Loveland the 2020 Project of the Year award for their Water Reclamation Facility Biological Nutrient Removal and Digester Project. The project was a major renovation and improvement endeavor that allowed Loveland Water and Power to meet environmental regulations,

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increase capacity and replace aging infrastructure. The Colorado Chapter of the APWA seeks to identify the individuals who reflect the highest standard of professional conduct and the work done by the professionals who discharge critical responsibilities in connection to the design, construction, maintenance and operation of public works projects and programs in agencies throughout the state. Often their accomplishments are particularly noteworthy in relation to the limited manpower and financial resources available to them. Projects were evaluated on the merit of innovation, achievement, community improvement and cooperation between agencies and businesses. The project design started in June 2015 and construction was completed in October 2019. The total project cost was \$41,020,000.

**Bernosky** discussed the opening of the Water Quality Lab, located at the Loveland Water Reclamation facility.

**ADJOURN:** The meeting was adjourned at 5:08 PM. The next LUC Meeting will be October 21, 2020 at 4:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Lynn Valdez

Recording Secretary

Loveland Utilities Commission /s/ Gary Hausman, LUC Chairman