

Gas Committee Meeting Minutes

March 25, 2021

Attendees: Mayor Smith, Aldermen Notheisen, Thomas, Heller, Trantham, Darter and Hopkins. Also in attendance, City Attorney Dan Hayes, Tim Birk and Shawn Kennedy.

The meeting was called to order at 3:30 p.m. by Chairman Notheisen. There were no petitions by citizens.

The pending gas bill for February is due to be paid to Symmetry on Monday March 29th. The discussion on how much of the bill should be paid based on the City's protest of the penalties and Force Majeure. After much discussion, including input from our Gas Specialist Carl Fink, two things were decided:

1. The City will pay only what we would have paid without the penalties and without the Force Majeure. Motion made by Darter, seconded by Heller. Motion passed 5-0.
2. We will follow-up on Stan's suggestion to issue a press release to update the citizenry on the City's approach to the protesting of the egregious bill. No motion necessary.

As Chairman, I would draft the press release, have Shawn review and edit as necessary, then forward to Mayor Smith, prior to forwarding to the Republic Times.

Tim discussed Enable (MRT) gas pipeline repair on properties in Vandebrook and Stonefield subdivisions. Enable has contacted the homeowners and will be working in yards until Friday April 2nd.

Ameren has been working in the Lou Del subdivision on an underground gas leak that has affected 3-4 homes.

Motion to adjourn made by Darter, seconded by Heller. 4:05 p.m.

Submitted by: Alderman Notheisen, Gas Committee Chairman