

City of Decorah  
Municipal Electric Utility Task Force  
April 22, 2021 – 9:02am  
Meeting Minutes

Electronic meeting pursuant to Iowa Code section 21.8 – In circumstances where such a meeting is impossible or impractical due to concerns about COVID-19 and social distancing for the safety of commission members and the public.

In support of Iowa Governor Kim Reynolds' proclamation declaring a State of Public Health Disaster Emergency in Iowa, the current COVID-19 situation makes it "impossible and impractical" to meet in one location. Due to this the Decorah City Hall was partially closed to the public for the March 25, 2021 MEU Task Force meeting. Seating was limited to ensure distancing. The public was invited to participate via electronic means.

Members present included: Carly Hayden Foster, Larry Grimstad, Mark Lovelace, Doug Hamilton, and Karen McLean.

Others present: Mayor Lorraine Borowski, Council Liaison Steve Zittergruen, Sustainability Commission chair Jim Martin-Schramm, and Reginald Laursen. Several other community members were present.

Items for discussion and possible action

1. Hayden Foster call to order & Introductions
2. Approval of April 8<sup>th</sup>, 2021 minutes – Grimstad motion, Lovelace second, unanimous approval
3. Discussion of contact information and individual choices per task force members (phone numbers vs. email address)
4. Provisional members to be presented to the City Council on May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2021.
5. Powerpoint presentation from Education & Community Outreach subcommittee (McLean & Lovelace)
6. Other business
  - a. Discussion about future meetings (May 13 & 27)
  - b. Hayden Foster presenting update to City Council on May 3<sup>rd</sup>.
  - c. Consider meeting in person for future meetings?
7. There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:01 am.

Sincerely,



Mark Lovelace  
MEU Task Force member

**Sustainability Plan**

*E.3 ACTION: Establish a Municipal Electric Utility (MEU) task force and commission a MEU Feasibility Study to be completed by fall 2021 (potential update of previous plan).*