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The MMUA delegation treks to Washington, D.C., for Public Power Legislative Rally

Approximately 50 municipal electric utility representatives, under the MMUA banner, attended the American Public Power Association Legislative Rally, Feb. 26-28 in Washington, D.C. The MMUA contingent included locally elected officials, city and utility personnel, and MMUA and affiliate member power agency staff.

Meetings were held with our Congressional representatives Feb. 27-28. Meetings occurred both in the Capitol Visitor Center and delegation member offices. In each case, one member representative served as meeting host and others were designated to speak on our top three issues: infrastructure and funding concerns; local control of pole attachments; and protecting the interests of Western Area Power Administration (WAPA) customers.

MMUA also presented each senator or representative and their staff with additional information, including a position statement booklet (available on the MMUA website). The

Following a more formal group meeting, St. Peter city councilmember Susan Carlin amplified a point with Tim Bertocci, deputy chief of staff for Rep. Tim Walz.

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Lake Country Power (LCP) and the Minnesota Rural Electric Association asked that the matter be referred to the Office of Administrative Hearings for a contested case proceeding. Minnesota Power (MP) and Canadian National (CN) argued for dismissal of the Office of Administrative Hearings.

The complaint, or for further comment to more fully develop the record. The MPUC concluded that more comment was warranted, before it could determine if a contested case was necessary. CN is improving and adding signaling and sensing equipment to its railroad facilities near Hoyt Lakes. LCP said the equipment is new, entirely within its exclusive electric service area, and it has the capacity to serve the load. LCP said CN contacted it in October 2016 to arrange for extension of electrical service to a proposed location, and that it provided CN with a quote for that extension.

In the summer of 2017, LCP said it became aware that CN had built its own electrical distribution infrastructure along the rail corridor to the proposed location. CN requested connection of its own distribution infrastructure to a point of service within MP’s service territory. MP is now, charged LCP, “distributing electricity outside of MP's service territory and into LCP's exclusive service territory.”

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The member-owner partnered with a developer to construct a community solar ‘garden’ on land owned in part by the member-owner and in part by the developer with the intent to apply for participation in Xcel Energy’s Solar*Rewards Community® program. The vast majority of the land upon which the proposed community solar garden is to be constructed is located in Xcel Energy’s service territory. However, the two small tracts of land to be transferred are located entirely within Xcel Energy’s service territory in order to participate in Xcel Energy’s Solar*Rewards Community® program. As a result, the proposed solar garden cannot be built at the designated location unless service territory rights for the tracts of land at issue are transferred to Xcel Energy.

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booklet addressed a number of additional topics, including energy capacity markets, reasonable and effective environmental regulation, why a municipal utility’s right to grow with its city is a state issue, and a general piece on the benefits of ‘public power.’

MMUA’s position on the issues closely tracked the line taken by APPA, and were generally modified to fit our perspective. These papers were prepared by MMUA staff in close consultation with those participating on the MMUA Government Relations Committee.

MMUA held a Congressional Reception the evening of Feb. 28 in the Rayburn House Office Building.

The Rally included a number of pre-rally seminars, meetings and receptions.

APPA’s great consultative body—the Legislative & Resolutions Committee—conducted its business Feb. 27, concluding early in the afternoon.

MMUA extends thanks to those members who served as hosts or spokespeople at the various meetings. It also thanks everybody who left hearth and home to advocate for public power in the nation’s capital, and the cities and utilities that sent them.

The Minnesota Public Utilities Commission (MPUC) has opened a docket after “receiving a large volume of complaints related to the service quality, customer service, and billing practices of Frontier Communications,” according to regulatory documents. Attempts to mediate the issues reportedly failed.

The MPUC has asked the Department of Commerce and Attorney General’s office to investigate and determine if the company is complying with state rules.

The company said it was committed to its customers and working to resolve the matter. It also said it has recently updated its billing software and made process improvements. Frontier has more than 98,000 landlines in the state.
State regulators accept Xcel Energy’s safety, reliability and service quality report

How does your municipal utility compare to the state’s largest electric provider?


Xcel filed its 2015 report in April 2016, but the Department of Commerce said it lacked the resources to ensure careful review and analysis. Xcel was allowed to maintain, through 2016, the 2015 goals.

In 2016, the company met seven of 12 reliability standards. It said that, “due to the fact that these goals are five-year averages, we would expect to achieve target results 50 percent of the time and miss the target 50 percent of the time.” Further, it said, “several days of storms that cause extensive outages but do not qualify for storm days can quickly erode a standard that is based on average performance.”

Xcel Energy’s allowable service voltage range is 120 volts plus/minus 5 percent, or a minimum of 114 volts to a maximum of 126 volts. In 2016, the company performed 360 voltage investigations. It identified a problem in 79 cases, typically due to transformer overloads or other equipment malfunction.

The company’s proposed 2017 standards for SAIDI and SAIFI are the average of the five years of historical data.

The MPUC also required Xcel to provide additional information in its next annual service quality report, including: The company’s data on benchmarking with national IEEE Reliability Standards; an assessment of Momentary Average Interruption Frequency Index (MAIFI) data; a summary of the company’s estimated response time to customers and steps the company is taking to measure and communicate more accurately the estimated response time to customers. The company’s additional thinking on Customers Experiencing Multiple Interruptions (CEMI) and Customer Experiencing Lengthy Outages (CELI) metrics after consultation with other interested parties; and data on the number of applicants and participants in the company’s emergency medical accounts.

MPUC sets comment period for ‘DG’ interconnection standards

The Minnesota Public Utilities Commission (MPUC) Feb. 27 issued a notice of comment period, in the matter of Distributed Generation (DG) interconnection and parallel operation facilities, under state law. The initial comment period closes March 29, with a reply comment period to close April 15.

At issue is whether or not the MPUC should approve, modify or reject staff recommendations based on the Distributed Generation Workgroup process for the statewide interconnection process and interconnection agreement, including an update to reporting requirements.

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The proposed standards are modeled after the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission’s Small Generator Interconnection Process (FERC SGIP).

A draft Distributed Energy Resources Interconnection Process document states that the standards must:
The request includes two areas located within the city limits of Brainerd and previously assigned to the cooperative. One area includes 300 acres and no customers. The other area includes 480 acres and 18 customers, 17 of them residential. The cooperative will continue to provide service until the transfer date, which is expected to occur this spring. The parties will cooperate and communicate with customers to ensure a smooth transition. The parties noted that they have agreed upon appropriate compensation. The Commission stipulated that it desires a separate notice to customers as to the pending proceeding.

**Welcome to Wells**

Municipal utilities are generally pretty friendly places, and that is certainly the case in Wells. A visitor to the utility office is greeted by, from left to right: Superintendent Jeff Amy, Office Manager Becki Minks and the newest member of the team, Cassie Brandenburg.

**New Ulm Public Utilities** and a wholesale power supplier—Heartland Consumers Power District—successfully partnered in offering a competitive rate as an inducement to Kraft Heinz to invest $100 million in a plant expansion in New Ulm. Also in New Ulm, Dave Kuehn replaces Gary Domeier as Chief Engineer in the cogeneration plant.

**The Granite Falls city council** recently received the results of an electrical rate study. A consultant proposed a rate increase of 2 percent in spring of 2018 and January 2019. The increase will vary somewhat depending on certain circumstances. The report showed fairly flat usage for the past decade but inflationary operational pressures. The increase will stave off a projected loss by 2020.

The cities of Proctor, Hermantown and the Town of Rice Lake continue to discuss pending water rate increases with the city of Duluth. Representatives from the various municipalities have been meeting to discuss a proposed 32 percent water rate increase from Duluth, which supplies water to its smaller neighbors. Proctor Jan. 19 filed an appeal with the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission (MPUC).

The water service arrangement was set up under a special law in 1982. It is thought to be the only agreement of its type in the state. The law allows for an appeal to the PUC, but it is apparently unclear if its means the MPUC or Duluth PUC.

Willmar Municipal Utilities is phasing out its district heating system, leading the city council to pass resolutions allowing the Kandiyohi County Housing and Redevelopment Authority to submit a Small Cities Development Program grant application for more than $1.2 million in commercial and housing rehab funds to the state Department of Employment and Economic Development.

The utility is offering loans to help those using district heat to install a new electric system, and the HRA also has a loan program available. The utility is also in the process of considering a joint action agency for power supply services. It has several existing contracts in place, however, one of which expires in 2025 and another in 2033.

Jason Sykora has been named superintendent of the City of Windom Municipal Utility. Sykora has been working with the utility.

The Biwabik city council last September approved a preliminary tax levy increase of 43.6 percent, but said it would work to lower that levy. The hike reflected the loss of tax-forfeited mining revenue.

The local Public Utilities Commission agreed to give the city a loan of approximately $135,000 to cover the shortfall. The PUC will also cover the cost of two employees in 2018.

There were also some cuts and fee increases.

Grand Rapids area residents were invited to the second public forum Feb. 5 on a proposed Community Solar Garden. The event was co-hosted by the Grand Rapids Public Utilities Commission and the Itasca Clean Energy Team.
garbage service. In a pinch, Wollington has found himself making the rounds on the back of the old-style but paid-for garbage truck, doing whatever necessary for the city to fulfill its duties. He usually occupies himself with larger concerns.

The city has experienced a mild population decline, from 1,353 in 1980 to 1,218 in 2010.

There is a limited supply of housing. The median value of an owner-occupied home is approximately $71,000. There is an oft-stated desire for residential development, but with the cost of building a new home much greater than the selling price of existing homes, little in the way of development.

That reality is "one of our biggest problems," Wollington said. Single family building permits number in the low single digits, most years.

There is an active Regional Economic Development organization, however, and initial planning is underway for a new hospital facility. Originally owned by the city, the hospital is now operated by Avera Medical Group, Tyler's largest employer. Utilities infrastructure is a big part of planning. The city is working with a consulting engineer as part of the planning process.

The city and Avera have a good partnership. The city will "work hard to keep them here," said Wollington, and the hospital has a desire to see progress. The community is engaged. The process could take a handful of years to play out.

Utility lessons
Tyler relies on others for much of its electrical system work, but is taking steps to upgrade the capabilities of its staff. Part of the impetus for this investment stems from recent natural disasters.

A tornado in 2011 caused widespread damage and outages.

In 2016, a foggy Christmas Eve gave way to thunderstorms, freezing rain, and 70 miles-per-hour winds. Widespread power outages resulted, including in Tyler. Wollington called MMUA Regional Safety Coordinator/Job Wolfington called MMUA Regional Safety Coordinator/Job.

"We learned some lessons," Wollington said.

"Shane does good work for us," Wollington said. "He is the face of MMUA. We are very satisfied."

The city hopes to have staff with a basic understanding of the electric system. Tyler owns its electrical substation, which helps power at wholesale from the Western Area Power Administration and Heartland Consumers Power District. East River owns transmission to the city.

The city built a new water tower (and tore down an old one) in 2011. The old power plant, heavily damaged by the tornado, was torn down. The city eventually acquired an existing facility, which is now home to the outside crews.
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provided electricity only for street lighting. The Austin Utilities Commission, one of two elected municipal utilities commissions in the state (the other is in Blue Earth) was created in 1903. One of its first members was Geo. A. Hormel.

Improvements were steadily made to the plant over the years, including a major expansion in 1947. In 1981, AU signed a wholesale contract with the Southern Minnesota Municipal Power Agency. The plant was then used as a peaking facility or pressed into service in emergencies.

A large backhoe clawed down an exterior wall, while a worker used a fire hose to keep down dust.

Among those watching as demolition commenced was Austin Utilities Commissioner Tom Baudler, who worked in the plant as a young man, watched the early stages of the demolition with law firm partner Michelle King.

Tom Baudler remembers mostly wielding a paint brush in the plant. With a lifetime of involvement with the utility, in one form or another, he admitted that watching it come down was a nostalgic moment.

Austin Utilities is a municipal utility serving approximately 12,300 electric customers, 10,300 natural gas customers, and 9,000 water customers. Its mission is to offer utility products and services in a safe, reliable and responsible manner in order to enhance the quality of life in our community. Austin Utilities’ Board of Commissioners are elected by the consumer-owners of Austin to represent their best interest.

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To the extent possible, be consistent with industry and other federal and state operational and safety standards;

Provide for the low-cost, safe, and standardized interconnection of distributed energy resources;

Take into account differing system requirements and hardware; as well as the overall demand load requirements of individual utilities;

Allow for reasonable terms and conditions, consistent with the cost and operating characteristics of the various technologies, so that a utility can reasonably be assured of the reliable, safe and efficient operation of the interconnected equipment;

Establish a standard interconnection agreement that sets forth the contractual terms under which a company and customer agree that one or more facilities may be interconnected with the company’s utility system; and standard applications for interconnection and parallel operation with the utility system.
Variety highlights busy MMUA spring event season

Legislative Conference
April 11-12, St. Paul
MMUA’s Legislative Conference is our primary opportunity to inform and influence state lawmakers. The event has been re-scheduled to April 11-12, late enough to give us an opportunity to respond to any issues that may arise during the session. Our new conference hotel is the Embassy Suites, St. Paul. Register by March 21 for best rates!

Generation School
April 10-12, Ocatonna Public Utilities
Generation School offers hands-on training and networking opportunities for generator operators and technicians. Whether a seasoned operator or just starting out in the field, all can benefit. Hands-on training will take place at the Blooming Prairie Power Plant (Fairbanks Morse Engine) and at the New Prague Power Plant (Cooper Bessemer). Registration rates increase on March 12 with a sign-up deadline of March 22!

Substation School
April 17-19, Rochester Public Utilities
Substation School offers valuable instruction on in-depth topics related to Substations. Participants will also get a behind the scene’s tour of Rochester’s newest substation built through a unique partnership with Epic Systems Corporation. Deadline to register is March 29.

Underground School
May 15-18, MMUA Training Center in Marshall.
Training takes an exciting new twist this year as Multi-Session Class participants rotate through six different two-hour training sessions. This creates an opportunity for participants to take advantage of all hands-on training sessions, learn about a variety of topics and hone practical skills for efficiency and safety.

We also offer our Advanced Class. This two-day session will be packed with intense training and will move quickly to cover a lot of information. This class is designed for seasoned lineworkers, engineers just entering the linenetworker field, and staking personnel. See the Events > Calendar section on our website for more information or register!

Competent Person & Excavation Workshop
May 22-23, MMUA Training Center, Marshall
This course is intended for public works personnel, water/wastewater personnel, lineworkers, engineering personnel, contract workers, and anyone involved with underground utility or infrastructure work.

Andy Smoka, our lead instructor, is a former MN OSHA principal safety consultant and foremost expert on this subject.

Again, call us at 763-551-1230 or go to our website for more information!

APPRA Events

Public Power Lineworkers Rodeo
April 28 in Wake Forest, North Carolina
Who will shine for the North Star state this year?

APPA Engineering & Operations
Technical Conference
April 29-May 2 in Raleigh, North Carolina
This is a popular meeting for many Minnesota municipal utility personnel.

For more updated information, see the Events calendar at www.mmua.org

Transforming training

MMUA training staff traverse Minnesota and the Dakotas. Mike Taylor recently held a training session in Virginia, with apprentice lineworkers from Mountain Iron and Virginia. Participating were, from left to right: Mickey Amo, Matt Cerkvenik, Joe Furry, Scott Novak and Jeff Marks. The group worked with a miniature transformer bank. Taylor is a Job Training & Safety and Apprentice-Ship Instructor. Openings exist in this program. Contact Director of Training and Safety Mike Willetts at 612-802-8474 for information.
MMUA held its annual Meter School and Pre-Conference Feb. 13-16 at the MMUA Training Center and the adjacent MERIT Center in Marshall. More than 50 participants attended from 26 utilities in Minnesota and South Dakota and from four cooperatives.

Everyone enjoyed tasty pizza at our Welcome Reception on Feb. 14, which was sponsored by Irby Company.

Attendees of the Pre-Conference appreciated the discussion on PTs (potential transformers), CTs (current transformers), meter wiring and forms, and the training reinforced the importance of testing voltage in the meter socket.

New this year, the Basic/Intermediate Class participants were able to wire a CT cabinet to the 9S meter. Another training station that saw lots of use was the socket installation testing board.

In the Advanced Class, participants were very engaged. One participant said the most beneficial aspect of this year’s school was discussion, with attendees participating, which “answered many questions that I have had over the years.” Another appreciated the “one-on-one time” with instructors. Another called it a “great class to diagnose real world metering issues.”

Thanks to our instructors: Larry Chapman, Chapman Metering – Pre-Conference; Scott Murfield, retired MMUA and Steve Buyse, Marshall Municipal Utilities – Basic/Intermediate Class; Larry Chapman and Mark Parson, Chapman Metering – Advanced Class.

Thank you to everyone who attended and to the utilities and co-ops that sent them!

**Instructor Scott Murfield, a former MMUA employee, opened the Basic/Intermediate Class.**

Jacob Coulson (right) was one of several Chapman Metering personnel at the school. Here he shared knowledge during a break in the class.

Telcom Construction, Inc., has joined MMUA as an associate member.

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Help Wanted

Utilities Director

New Ulm Public Utilities seeks a new Utilities Director. Rauenhorst Recruiting Co. has been retained by the New Ulm Public Utilities Commission to place a full-time Utilities Director to oversee its five departments: electric distribution, electric production, natural gas distribution, water/steam, and wastewater treatment. This is an exceptional opportunity for an experienced utilities or public works manager, GM, utilities director, electric, gas or water superintendent.

The Utilities Director oversees all aspects of this $42M utility, with each section under its own skilled team of supervisors. There is high cooperation between the sections and with units of the city government which support aspects of finance, planning and HR. The Utilities Director will report to the PUC and City Manager. The rule is largely independent for day to day and normal business, with collaboration on areas of strategic and tactical planning. Strong work habits, administrative and public relations skill, and an ability to coordinate work independently are essential characteristics. The Utilities Manager will supervise a staff of 78. The utility’s primary power provider is Heartland, with 26 MW of co-generation, while its natural gas provider is BP Canada. Currently 65% of the utility’s electric infrastructure is underground. A solid track record of planning and investment provides high system redundancy and reliability with improving utility rates.

New Ulm, “The City of Charm and Tradition,” is 90 miles southwest of the Twin Cities in the scenic Minnesota River Valley. This mid-sized city community has a variety of industries and a solid agricultural base. Major employers in the town include Kraft Foods, 3M, Allina Health, J&B Schugel Trucking and the DNR. New Ulm is a Home Rule Charter city, which Rau
tor.com says is a “Top 10 Affordable Small Town in the Nation Where You’d Actually Want to Live.” Civic pride is vested in the historic Schell’s Brewery and the city’s successful Oktoberfest each year. Essential duties and responsibilities require the candidate to communicate effectively with the City Manager and PUC on matters of budget, operational conditions, rate structure and personnel. He or she will supervise the experienced operations, finance, and customer service teams. Administrative skill with an operational background and a willingness to promote cooperation, development and open communication will be essential to success.

Required skills and experience include: demonstrated success and experience in Electrical, Gas and/or Water Distribution Systems, including supervising, developing, directing and evaluating personnel; a four-year college degree in business administration, public administration, engineering or a closely related discipline, AND at least five years of relevant/ equivalent experience in the electric and/or water utility field with a track record of advancement and success.

Desired skills, experience and training includes: a minimum of five years of experience in the direct supervision of electrical, gas and/or water distribution personnel, operational qualifications such as certifications in the electrical and water utility field, experience and competence with computer systems in understanding their use and information output for billing, accounting and operations management.

This position offers a competitive salary and benefit package. Full job description available.

Do not contact the utility directly. To apply, contact Rauenhorst Recruiting Company, Thomas Jackson, at (952) 583-6043 or thomas@rauenhorst.com, or Mark Carlsbe at (952-563-7365), or send resume & cover letter to Resume@rauenhorst.com
The city of Hawley and its Public Utilities Commission have approved the sale of five diesel electric generating units from its decommissioned municipal power house. Plans call for North Woods Holdings to transport the generators to Wisconsin, where, it is reported, they will be restored.

Work to remove the roof and south wall of the power house building began March 1 and was scheduled to be done in five days. The purchaser will then remove the engines by crane, load and haul them on semi-trucks to Wisconsin. The city will demolish the rest of the building and level the concrete by the end of May.

The building was originally a railroad depot—the railroad main line used to run adjacent to the building. The building was later used as the old city hall, and then as the police department.

The power house started generating electricity in 1909. The original generator was replaced, and generators were added in 1932, 1958, 1947, 1949 and 1957. These engines provided the city’s power until 1965. Generation continued until 1965 when Minnkota Power built a transmission line just outside the city limits and immediately began wheeling federal hydropower. Since that time all power has been purchased and the generating units were maintained through 2009 to provide a backup source in emergencies. Hawley is a member of the Northern Municipal Power Agency and purchases all its power supply needs from the Agency.

The plant was officially decommissioned Aug. 1, 2009, following an inspection. It was determined that the generators had outlived their usefulness and that it was not economically feasible to make the necessary OSHA updates and repairs.

One thing led to another

The chain of events that led North Woods Holdings to Hawley started last fall at the MMUA Cross Training School. Hawley’s Andrew Wang attended the school. He had just joined the city full-time. While there, he talked with people from other utilities. One thing led to another. At first it appeared another municipal utility might be able to use some parts, but that fell through.

Then came a call from North Woods Holdings.

Hawley Superintendent Kevin Berg and Commissioner Don Martodam drove to the Detroit Lakes airport to pick up the North Woods representative. They drove to Hawley, looked the engines over and soon a deal was struck, which included the power plant roof I-beams and hoists. Funds received by the city will go toward the demolition and restoration.

Hawley City Clerk Treasurer Lisa Jetvig credited Wang for getting the ball rolling, Berg for moving the project forward, the PUC Commission, and especially Commissioner Don Martodam, who was heavily involved in getting the deal worked out.

Jetvig said the Hawley people were glad the engines and related equipment were going to be restored and used.