

**ORTONVILLE CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**  
**CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP MEETING**  
**CITY OFFICE MEETING ROOM**  
**315 Madison Avenue, Ortonville, MN**  
**Monday, March 16, 2009**  
**6:30 P.M.**

**CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL:**

Mayor Blair Johnson called the Workshop Meeting of the Ortonville City Council to order at 6:30 P.M. Roll Call was taken with the following Present: Mayor Blair Johnson, Craig Randleman, Steve Berkner, Bob Meyer, John Cunningham, Mike Dorry, and Nick Anderson. Staff Present: City Administrator David Lang, Deputy Clerk Susan Lundell, City Attorney Craig Ash, Police Officer Jason Mork, Building Inspector Limited Roy Bailey, and Golf Course Superintendent Travis Strasser. Media present: Mike Swenson (*Ortonville Independent*). Others present: Alice Radermacher, Marcy Stotesbery, David Dinnel, Troy Wimmer, Bill Radio of Missouri River Energy Services, Bob Schlieman of Ulteig Engineering and other interested citizens.

**DISCUSSION OF TRANSMISSION SERVICE AGREEMENT (T-1) OFFER:**

Bill Radio of Missouri River Energy Services (MRES) asked that the City enter into an agreement that would consolidate existing transmission arrangements into a single transmission service agreement (T-1). This agreement would put all transmission paths in a pool to come up with a uniform cost for all 57 MRES members. The agreement would stabilize the transmission rates going forward. The City of Ortonville will see only a small cost variance if the T-1 Agreement is implemented.

**DISCUSSION OF FACILITIES LEASE AGREEMENT CONTRACT OFFER:**

Bill Radio asked that the City also enter into a corresponding Facilities Lease Agreement with MRES. MRES would lease the city's electric facilities and charge others for transmission thus creating a revenue stream for MRES. This would help keep transmission costs from becoming more volatile in future years. The proposed agreement runs to the year 2046 to be consistent with the termination date of the existing power supply agreement. Two scenarios will be presented at a future meeting: If all 57 members of the transmission service area sign the agreement, one rate will be assigned and if not all 57 sign the agreement another rate will be assigned. The deadline for signing the agreement is September 1, 2009.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Mayor Johnson adjourned the meeting by consensus at 7:05 P. M.

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

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Blair Johnson  
Mayor

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David A. Lang  
Clerk-Administrator

