The Utility Board of Trustees of Laurens, Iowa met in special session at the Municipal Building, 272 N. Third Street, Laurens, Iowa, at 4:00 p.m. on the above date. Present were Trustees Kelly Horsman and Jerry Runneberg. Absent was Trustee Ben Storms. Also present was General Manager Chad Cleveland.

Motion by Trustee Horsman and seconded by Trustee Runneberg to approve the agenda for the July 8, 2025 special meeting. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The Board of Trustees reviewed the Bid Summary and Recommendation Letter from DGR Engineering regarding the Generation Plant Fuel System Modifications Project.

Trustee Horsman introduced the following resolution entitled "RESOLUTION AWARDING CONTRACT FOR CONSTRUCTION OF THE GENERATION PLANT FUEL SYSTEM MODIFICATIONS PROJECT FOR LAURENS MUNICIPAL POWER & COMMUNICATIONS, LAURENS, IOWA" and moved that it be adopted. Trustee Runneberg seconded the motion to adopt, and a roll call vote was as follows:

Ayes: Horsman and Runneberg Nays: None

Chairman Pro Tem Runneberg declared the Resolution duly adopted as follows:

RESOLUTION AWARDING CONTRACT FOR CONSTRUCTION OF THE GENERATION PLANT FUEL SYSTEM MODIFICATIONS PROJECT FOR LAURENS MUNICIPAL POWER & COMMUNICATIONS, LAURENS, IOWA

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees for Laurens Municipal Power & Communications, Laurens, Iowa, that:

Section 1. That the bid of Acterra Group, LLC, 200 35th Street, Marion, Iowa 52302 in the amount of \$588,587.86 for the construction of the Generation Plant Fuel System Modifications Project for Laurens Municipal Power & Communications, Laurens, Iowa, be and is hereby accepted, the same being the lowest responsible responsive bid received for said work.

Section 2. That the final acceptance of the contract will be conditioned upon review and approval of the bonds, insurance certificate, and contract documents by the General Manager.

Section 3. That upon final approval by the General Manager, the Board Chairman is hereby directed to execute the contract awarded above for the construction of said improvements, said contract not to be binding on the Utility until all bonds and insurance forms are on file with the Utility.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 8th day of July 2025.

<u>Jerry Runneberg</u> Chairman Pro Tem, Board of Trustees

ATTEST: Chad Cleveland

Secretary, Board of Trustees

General Manager updated the Trustees on the three potential options for acquiring the land needed to get a large electric load to locate in our electric service territory. They are:

- Swap land between Pocahontas County and the City of Laurens
- Purchase land directly from Pocahontas County
- The large electric load would look to purchase land themselves

The Trustees discussed each of these options.

Motion by Trustee Runneberg and seconded by Trustee Horsman to authorize the General Manager to present a proposal to the Pocahontas County Board of Supervisors to purchase 3.62 gross acres (2.87 net acres) of land from Pocahontas County for the use and benefit of Laurens Municipal Power & Communications for a price of \$10,860.00. This parcel of land is favorably located near the 69kV transmission line and is adjacent to land we purchased from Pocahontas County back in 1998. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Motion carried.

There being no further business, the Chairman Pro Tem declared the meeting adjourned at 5:10 p.m.

<u>Jerry Runneberg</u> Chairman Pro Tem. Board of Trustees

ATTEST: Chad Cleveland

Secretary, Board of Trustees