

# Along the Lines

A quarterly newsletter for customers of the Rolla Municipal Utilities

# Rolla Municipal Utilities FY2021 Budget Approval

On Tuesday, July 28, 2020, the Rolla Board of Public Works (RBPW) approved RMU's FY2021 Budget.

Highlights include a water rate adjustment increasing from the current rate of \$3.30 to \$3.75 per 1,000 gallons.

The FY2021 Budget will become effective October 1, 2020. For more information, you can view the budget in its entirety by visiting www.rollamunicipalutilities.org.

# Kingshighway Update

Rolla Municipal Utilities continues to work with the Move Rolla Transportation Development District and the City of Rolla to coordinate water and electric replacement/relocation in conjunction with the planned improvements to Kingshighway.

The electric improvements are underway with many of the businesses on the south side of Kingshighway reconnected to new lines at the rear of their properties. Work is also underway on the north side of Kingshighway.

In addition to the electrical improvements, construction of water mains commenced August 10, 2020.

#### REMINDER

Daylight Saving Time begins November 1, 2020. Set your clocks back one hour.



# Missouri Intergovernmental Risk Management Association (MIRMA)

RMU was awarded a 100% score on our MIRMA Loss Prevention Evaluation. This is the fifteenth (15) consecutive year RMU has received this award. The award was presented at the MIRMA Annual Conference on July 25, 2020.

#### **Public Power Week**

Rolla Municipal Utilities will be celebrating Public Power Week, Oct. 5-10, 2020, along with more than 2,000 other community owned electric utilities that collectively provide electricity on a not-for-profit basis to 46 million Americans. This upcoming event will mark the 33rd anniversary as a nationwide program.

RMU is hosting their Fourth Annual Public Power Celebration on Wednesday, October 7, 2020 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. There will be givea-ways, equipment and truck displays, a light lunch, and a drawing for three lucky residential customers to win a credit on their utilities.

Be on the look out for further information about this event, along with how to enter the drawing on the RMU Facebook Page.







#### **Employee Promotions**

Dalton Smith was promoted from Meter Reader/Serviceman to Apprentice Lineman beginning July 26, 2020. Braden Tiddy was promoted to Laborer II beginning August 11, 2020. Congratulations go out to both gentlemen.



Pictured above: Left; Braden Tiddy



Right: Dalton Smith

# Fall Energy Tips

Fall is the best time to clean the chimney and have your vent systems checked. Pipes must be properly connected and there should be no signs of rust or damage.

- . Check for cracks and gaps between door and window frames, around your dryer vent, and where cable and phone lines enter your home. Most air leaks can be easily sealed with caulk or weather stripping.
- Now is the time to clean and repair your fireplace. Make sure the damper is tightly sealed when the fireplace is not in use. A small space would let the cold air rush in and send the warm air out.

# Call Before You Dig

In order to avoid damaging underground utilities anyone digging or excavating should have the underground utilities located prior to starting the work. When a person contacts Missouri One-Call this starts a process that notifies all member



utilities with facilities in the area so that each utility can mark their underground utilities.

In general a person should call at least 3 business days before the work is to start to allow time for the utility owners to respond.

Please remember to call 811 (or 1-800-DIG-RITE) prior to starting your project if the work includes excavating. The call is free so do not hesitate to call so that you are not surprised by the existence of an underground utility.



# PAY ONLINE TODAY!

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#### RMU CLOSED:

Labor Day, September 7, 2020 Columbus Day, October 12, 2020 Veterans Day, November 11, 2020 Thanksgiving Break, November 26-27, 2020. For emergencies please call 573-364-2195.

Quarterly Statistics	Apr '20	May '20	Jun '20
Electric			
Total kWh Sold	21,132,374	21,029,777	18,781,611
Electric Meters in Service	9,637	9,630	9,625
Average kWh/Meter (Residential)	931	859	692
Average Monthly Electric Bill (Residential)	\$98.17	\$92.58	\$79.80
Peak System Demand (kW)	38,710	38,070	51,320
Water			
Total Gallons Sold	43,222,000	46,122,000	42,141,000
Water Meters in Service	7,866	7,837	7,852
Average Gallons/Meter (Residential)	3,714	4,278	3,632
Average Monthly Water Bill (Residential)	\$21.64	\$23.58	\$21.76
Peak Daily Pumping (gal.)	2,285,000	2,579,000	2,609,000