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Stoughton Utilities Celebrates 130th Anniversary

Stoughton Utilities, Stoughton's locally owned, not-for-profit electric, water, and wastewater utility, celebrates its 130th anniversary this year.

The water utility was founded in 1886 by the citizens of Stoughton, with the electric utility following in 1891. It has remained a public power utility since that time, and utility employees continue to be guided by the principles of local ownership and control, keeping revenue in the community, providing first-rate customer service, and making a positive impact in the community through volunteer and outreach efforts.

Stoughton Utilities is a proud member-owner of WPPI Energy, a not-for-profit wholesale energy provider. The utility's milestone anniversary was recognized at an awards banquet during WPPI Energy's annual conference in September. Robert Kardasz, Utilities Director, accepted a token of esteem on behalf of Stoughton Utilities.

"I'd like to extend my congratulations and appreciation to Stoughton Utilities for 125 years of public power service to the Stoughton community," said Mike Peters, president and CEO of WPPI Energy.

"Working for a local utility that's owned by the community we serve gives us a much bigger reason to care about the work we do. We live in this community, too; it's our home. We want to be a part of making it great," said Utilities Director Kardasz.

While Stoughton Utilities employees are proud of the utility’s history, they also want to ensure that it will continue to serve the community for generations to come. As part of their effort to stay current and prepare for the future, Stoughton Utilities continues to promote renewable energy resources through our Green Power programs for businesses and residential homes, participate in solar buy-back programs, offer energy efficiency programs for homes and industries, invest in new technology, and update our underground and overhead electric, water, and wastewater infrastructure.

“Anniversaries are a great time to reflect both on what brought us to this point and where we want to go in the future,” said Kardasz.



Photo: Robert Kardasz (center), Stoughton Utilities Director, accepted a token of esteem on behalf of Stoughton Utilities. He is pictured here with awards presenter Jim Stawicki (left), and WPPI Energy president and CEO Mike Peters (right).

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About Stoughton Utilities

Stoughton Utilities is the city’s locally owned, not-for-profit electric, water and wastewater utility. Utility staff strive to provide their 8,500+ customers with low-cost, reliable electric service; clean, high-quality water that meets or exceeds all state and federal standards; and state-of-the-art wastewater treatment services. The utility is directed by a utility committee comprised of local residents, and citizens always have the opportunity to have a voice in utility decisions and programs.