

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS

A regular meeting of the Board of Public Works was held at the North Denver Station Board Room on Thursday, January 11, 2007, at 8:00 a.m. This meeting was preceded by notice duly published in the Hastings Tribune on Tuesday, January 9, 2007, and by notices duly posted in the lobby of the Power Plant Building, 1228 North Denver Avenue, and the City Hall, 220 N. Hastings Avenue, and was therefore open to the public.

Present: Anderson, Hunt, Shoemaker, Schlachter

Absent: Poppe

Also Present: Schultes, DeTour, Sekora, Sanders, Pobanz, Vrooman, Cox, Cogley, Kully, Goebel, Mayor Rossen, Scherr, Yocom, Baumgart, Luhn, Fleharty, Vaughn, Hemberger, Chick, Wacker

Chairman Anderson stated that the Board of Public Works is subject to the Open Meetings Laws and acknowledged that the Open Meetings Law poster has been posted in the room.

There were no customer comments.

Marv Schultes gave a presentation and update on the December 30th weekend ice storm. Staff has met with FEMA and some reimbursement is expected. Total cost estimate is between \$250,000 - \$500,000. Marv praised staff for their hard work in difficult conditions to restore power as quickly as possible and for working as a team to get the power restored.

Moved by Hunt, seconded by Shoemaker, to recommend an Outstanding Performance Merit Award and a reception be awarded to those employees involved in the storm restoration. Roll Call: Ayes; Hunt, Shoemaker, Schlachter, Anderson. Nays; None. Motion carried.

City employees involved in the storm cleanup will also be invited to attend the reception.

Moved by Hunt, seconded by Schlachter, to award a Humanitarian Merit Award and \$100.00 to Sherman Luhn for his accumulated blood donations. Roll Call: Ayes; Hunt, Schlachter, Shoemaker, Anderson. Nays; None. Motion carried.

A discussion was held on the downtown alleys. The Board would like to have staff get the surveys done as soon as possible so that cost estimates on different plans can be discussed. At the next Board Meeting, a discussion will be held to see if it is feasible to have the customer surveys done and preliminary plans made by the middle of April.

Anderson left the meeting at 9:10 a.m.

Moved by Hunt, seconded by Shoemaker, to approve the Highway 6 Improvements Construction Agreement with AGP (2007 B.I. 2.06, Page 8), conditional upon the Board of Public Works' approval of the construction price. Roll Call: Ayes; Hunt, Shoemaker, Schlachter. Nays; None. Motion carried.

Moved by Hunt, seconded by Shoemaker, to approve the Engineering Design for Coal Handling Improvements with Black & Veatch (2007 B.I. 2.71, Page 9), for a time and material amount not to exceed \$198,000.00. Roll Call: Ayes; Hunt, Shoemaker, Schlachter. Nays; None. Motion carried.

Moved by Hunt, seconded by Shoemaker, to approve a Real Estate Improvement Contract for Underground Distribution System (URD-2007-1) with Engel Construction for Lot 1 of Cimarron

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Meadows Subdivision Number 3, and that the Chairman of the Board be authorized to sign said contract. Roll Call: Ayes; Hunt, Shoemaker, Schlachter. Nays; None. Motion carried.

A discussion was held on future policies where the developer has already sold some of the lots before the improvement contract is signed. The Board would prefer that liens be put on all the lots to protect the investment in the infrastructure. Further discussion will be held on these policies at upcoming board meetings.

Discussion was held on including the City of Hastings Newsletter with Hastings Utilities' bills.

Moved by Shoemaker, seconded by Hunt, to approve the utility bill revised insertion policy as per the staff's recommendation letter. Roll Call: Ayes; Shoemaker, Hunt, Schlachter. Nays; None. Motion carried.

Staff will work with city staff to let them know of monthly deadlines, weight of paper, and any other pertinent information.

Moved by Hunt, seconded by Shoemaker, to approve the following items on the Consent Agenda:

- a. Review, correction or approval of minutes of December 28, 2006, meeting
Correct spelling from Mike Casey to Mike Carey, customer.
- b. Review and approval of checks issued January 8, 2007, excluding claim no. 96698 to Westland Building Co. and claim no. 96706 to Phil Johnson & Associates, Inc.
- c. Review of payroll for period ending January 6, 2007
- d. Approval of the following work orders:
 - EL-17 Installation of 3-phase underground lines and a 2500 KVA padmount transformer to serve the new Hastings Middle School at 201 N. Marian Rd.
Estimated Cost: \$ 36,610.41
 - EL-18 Extension of a single-phase underground electric line for Cimarron Meadows west of Lakepark Lane, north of 35th St.
Estimated Cost: \$ 11,487.11
 - EL-20 Replacement of the existing pilot wire relaying on the 34.5kV transmission line connecting Crane and Laird substations.
Estimated Cost: \$ 29,740.59
 - GA-209 New 2" PE 3408 gas main on East Side Blvd., 3rd St. to 4th St.
Estimated Cost: \$ 20,028.51
 - GA-211 New 4" PE 3408 gas main on Marian Rd., 3rd St. south to West Town Border Station; and 2nd St., Marian Rd. west 900'.
Estimated Cost: \$111,181.28

Roll Call: Ayes; Hunt, Shoemaker, Schlachter. Nays; None. Motion carried.

Moved by Shoemaker, seconded by Schlachter, to approve claim no. 96698 to Westland Building Co. in the amount of \$5,797.77, and claim no. 96706 to Phil Johnson & Associates, Inc. in the amount of \$594.61. Roll Call: Ayes; Shoemaker, Schlachter. Nays; None. Abstain; Hunt. Motion carried.

The approval of these two claims is subject to Legal Counsel opinion on whether two aye votes constitutes approval. If that is not sufficient, the claims will be placed on the next Board of Public Works Agenda.

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Under miscellaneous and future agenda items, Marv discussed with the Board on meeting at the Pollution Control Facility for the April 12, 2007, meeting. The Board will make that decision at a future meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 10:42 a.m.

Secretary