

## MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS

A regular meeting of the Board of Public Works was held at the Hastings Utilities Board Room on Thursday, January 29, 2009, at 8:00 a.m. This meeting was preceded by notice duly published in the Hastings Tribune on Tuesday, January 27, 2009, and by notices duly posted in the lobby of Hastings Utilities, 1228 North Denver Avenue, and the City Hall, 220 N. Hastings Avenue, and was therefore open to the public.

Present: Anderson, Hunt, Krieger, Poppe

Absent: Shoemaker

Also Present: Schultes, Meyer, Sanders, Cox, Cogley, Odom, Goebel, Scherr, and Clark Haberman

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.

Clark Haberman asked if the Board of Public Works had additional funding for economic development that would not be connected with HEDC. Chairman Anderson referred him to 13.315 of Nebraska State Statute and the funding must be approved by resolution of the Hastings City Council.

Don Cox gave a presentation on Wholesale Natural Gas Supply Including CPEP. Wholesale natural gas costs have decreased dramatically since July of 2008 and are currently lower than they were a year ago at this time.

Al Meyer gave an update of PPGA Activities and Review of Minutes.

Moved by Poppe, seconded by Krieger, that the following items on the Consent Agenda were approved:

- a. Review, correction or approval of minutes of January 15, 2009, meeting
- b. Review and approval of checks issued January 26, 2009
- c. Approval of the following claims:
  - General Operating Fund against the Electric Fund – \$2,392,507.03
  - General Operating Fund against the Combined Fund - \$3,668,455.16
- d. Review of payroll for period ending January 17, 2009
- e. Approval of the following work orders:
  - EL-121 Installation of a three-phase overhead transformer bank south of US Hwy. 6, west of BNSRRR tracks for Vontz Construction. Estimated Cost: \$ 8,778
  - GA-245 New 4" PE gas main on 14<sup>th</sup> St., Heritage Ave. to Kings Dale Rd.; New 2" PE gas main on Pershing Rd., 14<sup>th</sup> St. to Imperial Dr.; MacArthur Rd., 14<sup>th</sup> St. to Imperial Dr.; and Imperial Dr., Pershing Rd. to MacArthur Rd. Estimated Cost: \$105,732
  - CO-142 Additional engineering office on 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of east building at NDS. Estimated Cost: \$ 14,810

Roll Call: Ayes; Poppe, Krieger, Anderson, Hunt. Nays; None. Motion carried.

Under miscellaneous and future agenda items, the Board scheduled a Presentation on Customer Energy Incentive Program for February 12<sup>th</sup>. The update on the Wind Power Program will be moved to February 26<sup>th</sup>. An update on GPS/GIS will be added to future agenda items.

Chairman Anderson welcome new Council Liaison Phil Odom to the meeting and thanked Council Liaison Everett Goebel for his continued involvement as a Council Liaison.

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There was no Executive Session.

The meeting adjourned at 9:27 a.m.

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Secretary