

## 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, February 28, 2008, at 8:00 a.m. This meeting was preceded by notice duly published in the Hastings Tribune on Tuesday, February 26, 2008, 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, Poppe, Schlachter

Also Present: Schultes, Meyer, Vrooman, Sanders, Cogley, Kully, Mayor Rossen, Goebel, Scherr, *Bill Harding of Harding, Schultz & Downs*

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 an update on the Trumbull water line construction project. The tests are continuing to improve but more work needs to be done.

Moved by Schlachter, seconded by Shoemaker, to approve Change Order No. 2 to Casey Industrial Co. for completion of coal handling modifications for a net addition of \$1,609,938.00, and that the Mayor of the City of Hastings be authorized to sign the document. Roll Call: Ayes; Schlachter, Shoemaker, Poppe, Hunt, Anderson. Nays; None. Motion carried.

Moved by Poppe, seconded by Schlachter, to approve an Engineering Services Agreement with Black & Veatch for completion of coal handling modifications, for a time and material amount not to exceed \$68,900.00. Roll Call: Ayes; Poppe, Schlachter, Anderson, Hunt, Shoemaker. Nays; None. Motion carried.

Moved by Hunt, seconded by Poppe, to approve Change Order No. 1 to Kayton Electric contract for Phase 1 Coal Handling Electrical Modifications for Coal Handling for a net addition of \$37,771.00, and that the Mayor of the City of Hastings be authorized to sign the document. Roll Call: Ayes; Hunt, Poppe, Anderson, Schlachter, Shoemaker. Nays; None. Motion carried.

Moved by Poppe, seconded by Schlachter, to approve Change Order No. 1 to Wagner Industrial Electric for the DCS Equipment Room Construction for a net addition of \$20,928.99, and that the Mayor of the City of Hastings be authorized to sign the document. Roll Call: Ayes; Poppe, Schlachter, Shoemaker, Anderson, Hunt. Nays; None. Motion carried.

Al Meyer gave an update of the PPGA Activities and the minutes were reviewed. Further discussion was held on a trailer storm safety plan during construction. PPGA and the consultant on the project will assess area storm shelter possibilities.

Moved by Hunt, seconded by Poppe, to approve an agreement with Black & Veatch to develop a Primary Power Cost of Service Rate Schedule for an estimated fee of \$15,000 plus expenses in according with their proposal. Roll Call: Ayes; Hunt, Poppe, Shoemaker, Schlachter, Anderson. Nays; None. Motion carried.

Moved by Schlachter, seconded by Shoemaker, that the following items on the Consent Agenda be approved:

- a. Review, correction or approval of minutes of February 14, 2008, meeting
- b. Review and approval of checks issued February 25, 2008, with the exception of claim no. 00995 to Westland Building Co., Inc.
- c. Approval of the following claims:
  - General Operating Fund against the Electric Fund – \$1,770,155.97
  - General Operating Fund against the Combined Fund - \$3,811,677.58
- d. Review of payroll for period ending February 16, 2008
- e. Approval of the following work orders:

PL-633	Phase II of the modifications to the Unit 1 Coal Handling System at the Whelan Energy Center.	Estimated Cost: \$1,899,661
EL-80	Installation of a three-phase underground electric line and padmount transformer to serve Hastings College's new Morrison-Reeve's Science Center at 7 <sup>th</sup> St. and Ash Ave.	Estimated Cost: \$ 42,824
EL-81	Replacement of a three-phase padmount transformer to serve the additional HVAC load being installed for the Hastings Museum at 14 <sup>th</sup> St. and Burlington Ave.	Estimated Cost: \$ 28,036
EL-84	Installation of a three-phase overhead electric line and a polemount transformer bank to serve the Kearney Building at Central Community College.	Estimated Cost: \$ 16,261

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

Moved by Schlachter, seconded by Shoemaker to approve claim number 00995 to Westland Building Co., Inc. in the amount of \$1,052.46. Roll Call: Ayes; Schlachter, Shoemaker, Poppe, Anderson. Nays; None. Hunt abstained. Motion carried.

Under Miscellaneous and Future Agenda Items, Ron Sanders informed the Board that Haz-Mat Training will be held on Saturday, March 1, and will include Hastings Utilities and the North Denver Station site.

The board added a discussion on fluoride to the next board agenda.

Moved by Hunt, seconded by Shoemaker, that the Board of Public Works conduct a closed session which is clearly necessary for the protection of the public interest for the purpose of discussing strategy for personnel issues for the purpose of receiving the advise of counsel on personnel. Roll Call: Ayes; Hunt, Shoemaker, Schlachter, Poppe, Anderson. Nays; None. Motion carried.

The meeting closed to the public at 9:08 a.m. *The Executive Session included Outside Legal Counsel, the Board's Legal Counsel, and the Manager.*

Hunt left during the Executive Session.

Moved by Poppe, seconded by Schlachter, that the meeting be reopened to the public at 11:55 p.m. and that no decisions were made nor official actions taken during said Closed Session. Roll Call: Ayes; Poppe, Schlachter, Shoemaker, Anderson. Nays; None. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 11:55 a.m.

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Secretary