

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, April 17, 2008, at 8:00 a.m. This meeting was preceded by notice duly published in the Hastings Tribune on Tuesday, April 15, 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

Absent: Schlachter

Also Present: Schultes, Meyer, Sanders, Cogley, Barfknecht, Kully, Goebel, Scherr, Humphrey, Sullivan, Patterson, Robin Vodehnal 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.

There were no customer comments.

Bob Sullivan gave an update on the tax appeals for the wellfield and sludge land owned by the City of Hastings.

Moved by Hunt, seconded by Poppe, to support the appeal of placing the wellfield and sludge land properties on the tax rolls by the Adams County Assessor's Office. Roll Call: Ayes; Hunt, Poppe, Shoemaker, Anderson. Nays; None. Motion carried.

A Tree Replacement Agreement was discussed. Marv Schultes explained how the program will work per this agreement. The program is designed to replace every tree that Hastings Utilities removes in the City of Hastings.

Moved by Hunt, seconded by Shoemaker, to approve the Tree Replacement Agreement between the Board of Public Works and the Parks and Recreation Department, and that said Agreement be forwarded to the Mayor and City Council for their approval. Roll Call: Ayes; Hunt, Shoemaker, Anderson. Nays; Poppe. Motion carried.

Marv Schultes gave an update on the downtown alley project. The steel poles have been ordered and are scheduled for a May delivery. The work order will be on the board agenda for approval in May with construction to begin shortly thereafter with a three year completion time frame.

Clark Haberman was allowed to speak at this time as he was overlooked during the customer comments Item. He distributed a handout promoting solar and wind power.

Ron Sanders gave a presentation on overhead/underground electric lines, which included other utilities' policies and the costs for both overhead and underground in Hastings.

Al Meyer gave an update of PPGA activities. He expects a gradual mobilization of workers to Hastings with the greater number of those workers coming this fall or early 2009. The next meeting will be held at the Whelan Energy Center.

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

- a. Review, correction or approval of minutes of April 3, 2008, meeting
- b. Review and approval of checks issued April 14, 2008, excluding claim number 01468 to Phil Johnson & Associates

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c. Review of payroll for period ending April 12, 2008

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

Moved by Shoemaker, seconded by Poppe, to approve claim number 01468 to Phil Johnson & Associates in the amount of \$209.04. Roll Call: Ayes; Shoemaker, Poppe, Anderson. Nays; None. Hunt abstained. Motion carried.

Under miscellaneous and future agenda items, discussion was held on the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit for the Pollution Control Facility. The requirements receive the permit are changing. Hastings Utilities will need to engage a consultant to help meet the new requirements. The permit is up for renewal and will be more stringent than the existing permit.

There was no executive session.

The meeting adjourned at 10:45 a.m.

Secretary