

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, June 14, 2007, at 8:00 a.m. This meeting was preceded by notice duly published in the Hastings Tribune on Tuesday, June 12, 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, Shoemaker, Schlachter, Poppe, Hunt

Also Present: Schultes, Meyer, Vrooman, Sekora, Sanders, Goebel, Kully, Scherr, Wacker, Mayor Rossen, and Rod Davison, Tom Hastings, Doug Oakeson, Dean Moors, Dave Buchholz, Alan Anderson, Pat Randolph, Dennis Engel

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.

Board Members Poppe and Hunt are members of the Chamber of Commerce Oversight Committee for use of funds invested by Hastings Utilities. Poppe has attended most of their meetings and feel that the committee is moving in a positive direction. Dean Moors explained the direction the committee is going in terms of retail development and cautioned that this will need time to develop and show results. Doug Oakeson handed out a chart showing growth in sales tax in the City of Hastings over the last couple of years. Dave Buchholz, President of David & Associates has been retained by the Chamber to develop and market the retail campaign. Tom Hastings explained that this will be a coordinated effort, involving more people than previously mentioned.

Discussion took place on the possibility of approving a revised street light developer agreement. Shoemaker and Poppe are the committee members representing the Board of Public Works on the street light committee. The possibility of raising the street light fee to customers is also being considered. Developers Alan Anderson, Pat Randolph, and Dennis Engel voiced their disapproval of the proposed revised street light developer agreement. The Board took no action on the agreement and will discuss again before budget discussions.

Lee Vrooman continued his presentation from the last meeting on current Hastings Utilities' Engineering Design and Construction Standards. The Board and staff discussed current and future technology. The GIS committee will include in their future discussions. The Board also requested a presentation on GIS and staff will schedule the presentation.

Anderson briefly left the meeting at 10:40 a.m. Schlachter conducted the meeting in Anderson's absence.

The April 2007 Monthly Report was presented and discussed.

Anderson returned at 10:45 a.m.

Al Meyer gave an update of PPGA Activities. One of the biggest contracts, the boiler, has been awarded to Babcock & Wilcox. He explained that this contract alone had over 500 exceptions that had to be evaluated and negotiated. This contract came in over budget approximately 8% with the contract award being in excess of 54 million dollars. Staff will make a presentation at the next meeting on the transmission and substation additions required to interconnect the plant with NPPD and the power grid.

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

- a. Review, correction or approval of minutes of May 31, 2007, meeting
- b. Review and approval of checks issued June 11, 2007, with the exception of claim no. 98207 to Phil Johnson & Associates
- c. Review of payroll for period ending June 9, 2007
- d. Approval of the following work orders:
 - EL-44 Installation of underground electric lines for Cimarron Meadows Addition west of Fisherman Lane, north of 35th Street. Estimated Cost: \$18,508
 - EL-45 Installation of single-phase underground electric lines to serve Eastridge Meadows 3rd Add. along 7th Ave. from 14th St. north 550'.
Estimated Cost: \$29,646
 - EL-46 Installation of a three phase overhead transformer bank to serve the new building at 206 South 2nd Ave. Estimated Cost: \$ 3,736
 - WA-228 Replacement of inoperable fire hydrants in the water system.
Estimated Cost: \$27,256
- e. Approval of Real Estate Improvement Contracts for Underground Distribution System
URD 2007-15 with Engel Construction, Inc. for Lots 9, 10, and 11, Block 5, Cimarron Meadows Addition
URD 2007-13 with Westbrook Village L.L.C., for Lots 1-6, Block 1, and Lots 1-6, Block 2, Eastridge Meadows 3rd Addition

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

Moved by Schlachter, seconded by Shoemaker, to approve claim no. 98207 to Phil Johnson & Associates in the amount of \$104.36. Roll Call: Ayes; Schlachter, Shoemaker, Poppe, Anderson. Nays; None. Hunt abstained. Motion carried.

There were no miscellaneous and future agenda items to discuss.

There was no executive session.

The meeting adjourned at 11:20 a.m.

Secretary