

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

Absent: Shoemaker

Also Present: Schultes, Meyer, Sanders, Cogley, Scherr, Goebel, Kully, Mayor Rossen, and Citizen 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 public comments.

Moved by Hunt, seconded by Poppe, to enter into contract with McDermott & Miller to perform the 2008, 2009 and 2010 Hastings Utilities' audits in accordance with their proposal. Roll Call: Ayes; Hunt, Poppe, Schlachter, Anderson. Nays; None. Motion carried.

Steve Cogley gave a presentation on water saving devices which included rain sensors on underground sprinkling systems, high efficiency flushing toilets, and high efficiency washing machines. The Board was interested in all of these water saving ideas and directed staff to draft an incentive program for their review.

Moved by Poppe, seconded by Schlachter, to draft an incentive program to install rain sensors on residential and commercial underground sprinkling systems effective August 1, 2008, and to bring the program back to the Board for final review. Roll Call: Ayes; Poppe, Schlachter, Anderson, Hunt. Nays; None. Motion carried.

A Manual for Engineers and Technicians on Water Fluoridation prepared by the U.S. Department of Health & Human Services was distributed to the Board for their information.

A discussion took place on the street lighting on Burlington Avenue, 7th Street to 9th Street. There has been no further communication on funding at this time. Staff will visit with Elizabeth Spilinek to see if any funding options have become available.

Steve Scherr reported that the Phase I Environmental Site Assessment "ESA" on the forest land has been completed and has been given a clean bill of health. The next step is requesting an invoice be sent so that Hastings Utilities can pay for the property and the property transfer can occur.

A discussion took place on Hastings Utilities' marketing process. There is no written policy on marketing, and in the past, staff has used their own judgment where best to use marketing dollars. A majority of the Board felt this should be left to the staff to decide what is the best use of the funds. No change was recommended at this time, however, they felt that any chance to get the word out on the PPGA project would be helpful to the community.

Al Meyer gave a review of PPGA activities and the minutes of the PPGA Board meetings were reviewed.

The May 2008 Monthly Report was presented.

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

- a. Review, correction or approval of minutes of July 3, 2008, meeting
- b. Review and approval of checks issued July 14, 2008, with the exception of claim number 02230 to Helmann & Sullivan, PC and claim number 02306 to Westland Building Co., Inc.
- c. Review of payroll for period ending July 5, 2008
- d. Approval of the following work orders:

EL-100 Installation of a 3-phase overhead transformer bank to serve an irrigation well on 26th St. 1/8 mile west of North Elm Ave. Estimated Cost: \$ 2,400

EL-101 Installation of a three-phase underground electric line and padmount transformer

to serve the new HU Well No. 34 on Highland Rd. 1/2 mile north of 12th St.
Estimated Cost: \$17,040

EL-102 Installation of a three-phase underground electric line and padmount

transformer

to serve the new HU Well No. 35 on Highland Rd. 3/8 mile north of 12th St.
Estimated Cost: \$23,530

GA-237 New 2" PE gas main on South St. (Hwy. 6), 1831 E. South St. to the east 100'; and Showboat Rd., South St. south approx. 700'. Estimated Cost: \$24,271

GA-238 New 4" PE gas main on Lochland Rd. East, 1st Ave. east 500'.

Estimated Cost: \$13,696

SL-43 Installation of 31 – 400W High Pressure Sodium Street Lights on Hwy. 281, Kansas Ave. to 42nd St. Estimated Cost: \$85,719

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

Moved by Schlachter, seconded by Poppe, to approve claim number 02230 to Helmann & Sullivan, P.C. in the amount of \$1,635.00. Roll Call: Ayes; Schlachter, Poppe, Anderson, Hunt. Nays; None. Motion carried.

Moved by Poppe, seconded by Schlachter, to approve claim number 02306 to Westland Building Co., Inc. in the amount of \$565.95. Roll Call: Ayes; Poppe, Schlachter, Anderson. Nays; None. Hunt abstained. Motion carried.

Moved by Hunt, seconded by Schlachter, that this Board of Public Works go into Closed Session, which Closed Session is clearly necessary for the protection of the public interest in that said Closed Session will consist of a strategy session relative to energy supply negotiations. Roll Call: Ayes; Hunt, Schlachter, Anderson, Poppe. Nays; None. Motion carried.

The meeting closed to the public at 10:28 a.m. The Executive Session included Board members Anderson, Schlachter, Poppe, and Hunt, Council Liaisons Goebel and Kully, Board's Legal Counsel and the Manager.

Moved by Hunt, seconded by Poppe, that the meeting be reopened to the public at 10:42 a.m. and that no decisions were made nor official actions taken during said Closed Session. Roll Call: Ayes; Hunt, Poppe, Anderson, Schlachter. Nays; None. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 10:42 a.m.