

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

Also Present: Schultes, Meyer, Sanders, Stange, Cogley, Cox, Scherr, Goebel, Kully and guests Daryl Andersen and Mike Onnen of the Little Blue NRD, 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 public comments.

A discussion was held on Amendment No. 1 to the Agreement for Purchase of Real Estate.

Moved by Schlachter, seconded by Shoemaker, to postpone action the Amendment No. 1 to the Agreement for Purchase of Real Estate until the environmental assessment is complete.

Moved by Poppe, seconded by Hunt, to amend the motion to table the item until the next meeting.
Roll Call: Ayes; Poppe, Hunt, Anderson, Shoemaker, Schlachter. Nays; None. Motion carried.

Marty Stange gave a presentation on Water Wells and Level of Nitrates in and around Hastings. Daryl Andersen of the Little Blue Natural Resource District (LBNRD) explained the nitrate sampling and results the NRD has done in their area.

Don Cox gave a presentation on the Wholesale Natural Gas Supply Update. Costs are expected to be considerable higher for the 2008-2009 winter gas bills.

There was no PPGA update.

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

- a. Review, correction or approval of minutes of August 14, 2008, meeting
- b. Review and approval of checks issued August 25, 2008, with the exception of claim number 02729 to Westland Building Co., Inc.
- c. Approval of the following claims:
 - General Operating Fund against the Electric Fund – \$1,903,106.47
 - General Operating Fund against the Combined Fund - \$1,952,126.39
- d. Review of payroll for period ending August 16, 2008

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

Moved by Shoemaker, seconded by Poppe, that claim number 02729 to Westland Building Co., Inc. in the amount of \$30,142.08 be approved. Roll Call: Shoemaker, Poppe, Anderson, Schlachter. Nays; None. Hunt abstained.

Under Miscellaneous and Future Agenda Items, tentative budget meeting dates of November 5th and 6th were chosen.

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Ed Schlachter stated that the Comparability Study Committee has received the study from the consultant. The committee will be reviewing it next week and will bring the report to the Board.

There was no executive session.

The meeting adjourned at 10:55 a.m.

Secretary