

## 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, October 11, 2007, at 8:00 a.m. This meeting was preceded by notice duly published in the Hastings Tribune on Tuesday, October 9, 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, Hunt, Poppe, Schlachter

Absent: Shoemaker

Also Present: Schultes, Meyer, Sanders, Stange, Cox, Cogley, Kully, Goebel, Scherr

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.

Moved by Schlachter, seconded by Hunt, that upon the recommendation from the Merit Award Committee, to award a Humanitarian Merit Award and \$250.00 to Mike Sidlo for his accumulated 20 gallons of blood donations. Roll Call: Ayes; Schlachter, Hunt, Anderson, Poppe. Nays; None. Motion carried.

Moved by Poppe, seconded by Schlachter, that upon the recommendation from staff, to award a contract for Wellhouses 34 and 35 and Standby Power Unit for Well 34 to Westland Building Co., Hastings, Nebraska, in the amount of \$278,890.20, and that the Chairman of the Board be authorized to sign said contract. Roll Call: Ayes; Poppe, Schlachter, Anderson. Nays; None. Hunt abstained. Motion carried.

Moved by Hunt, seconded by Schlachter, to approve a Resolution approving a long term natural gas purchase from Central Plains Energy Project (CPEP), and that the Chairman of the Board be authorized to sign said resolution. Roll Call: Hunt, Schlachter, Poppe, Anderson. Nays; None. Motion carried.

The August 2007 Monthly Report was presented and discussed.

Al Meyer gave a presentation on the maintenance outage at Whelan Energy Center Unit 1 and an update on PPGA activities. The maintenance outage is progressing as expected. The Don Henry Power Center is operating to generate power when the transmission network is restricted. Unit 5 may be operated during the startup of the WEC-1.

The Board discussed the Board's Attorney Letter on the subject of Releasing Public Records.

Moved by Hunt to create a Board policy on releasing of public records. The motion died for a lack of a second.

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

- a. Review, correction or approval of minutes of September 27, 2007, meeting
- b. Review and approval of checks issued October 8, 2007, with the exception of claim no. 99454 to Westland Building Co., Inc. and claim no. 99478 to Phil Johnson & Associates, Inc.
- c. Review of payroll for period ending September 29, 2007
- d. Approval of the following work orders:

EL-65 Installation of a single phase underground electric line and padmount transformer to serve a new U.S. Cellular Communication Tower on 94<sup>th</sup> St., ½ mile east of Pawnee Ave. Estimated Cost: \$7,339

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

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Moved by Schlachter, seconded by Poppe, to approve claim no. 99454 to Westland Building Co., Inc. in the amount of \$25,254.53, and claim no. 99478 to Phil Johnson & Associates, Inc. in the amount of \$47.21. Roll Call: Ayes; Schlachter, Poppe, Anderson. Nays; None. Hunt abstained. Motion carried.

Under Miscellaneous and Future Agenda Items, the Board set November 1<sup>st</sup> as a possible date for an update on the Trumbull Water Line. Trumbull, the consultant on the project, and the contractor will be notified of the discussion and will be invited to the meeting.

There was no executive session.

The meeting adjourned at 10:05 a.m.

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Secretary