

# MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS

A regular meeting of the Board of Public Works was held at the Hastings Utilities Board Room on Thursday, December 17, 2009, at 8:00 a.m. This meeting was preceded by notice duly published in the Hastings Tribune on Tuesday, December 15, 2009, and by notices duly posted in the lobby of Hastings Utilities, 1228 North Denver Avenue, and the City Hall, 220 N. Hastings Avenue, and was therefore open to the public.

Present: Anderson, Hunt, Shoemaker, Krieger, Dewalt

Also Present: Schultes, Meyer, Sanders, Goebel, Cogley, Scherr, Odom

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 Krieger, that upon the recommendation from the Merit Award Committee, to award Humanitarian Merit Awards to Deb McCoy and Virgil Naggatz for their accumulated blood donations. Roll Call: Ayes; Hunt, Krieger, Dewalt, Shoemaker, Anderson. Nays; None. Motion carried.

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

- a. Review, correction or approval of minutes of the December 3, 2009, meeting
- b. Review and approval of checks issued December 14, 2009, with the exception of check 7472 to Sullivan Shoemaker Witt & Burns and check 7488 to Phil Johnson & Associates
- c. Review of payroll for period ending December 5, 2009
- d. Approval of the following work orders:

EL-154 Installation of a three-phase underground electric line and padmount transformer to serve the Nebraska Truck Center at U.S. Hwy. 6 and Burlington Ave.

Estimated Cost: \$18,150

GA-254 New 2" PE gas main on Wendell Dr., 35<sup>th</sup> St. to 38<sup>th</sup> St. and new 4" PE gas main on 38<sup>th</sup> St., Wendell Dr. east 200'.

Estimated Cost: \$18,983

GA-255 New 2" PE gas main on Waterfront Dr., 717 S. Shore Dr. to 501 S. Shore Dr.

Estimated Cost: \$6,563

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

Moved by Dewalt, seconded by Hunt, to approve check no. 7472 to Sullivan Shoemaker Witt & Burns in the amount of \$6,576.40. Roll Call: Ayes; Dewalt, Hunt, Anderson, Krieger. Nays; None. Shoemaker abstained. Motion carried.

Moved by Dewalt, seconded by Krieger, to approve check no. 7488 to Phil Johnson & Associates in the amount of \$1,471.14. Roll Call: Ayes; Dewalt, Krieger, Shoemaker, Anderson. Nays; None. Hunt abstained. Motion carried.

Moved by Hunt, seconded by Krieger, to write off uncollectible accounts for accounting purposes only in the amount of \$39,361.18, and that staff be instructed to continue collection efforts on these accounts. Roll Call: Ayes; Hunt, Krieger, Anderson, Dewalt, Shoemaker. Nays; None. Motion carried.

Allen Meyer gave a presentation on the WEC-2 project and the PPGA minutes were reviewed.

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There were no miscellaneous and future agenda items.

Moved by Hunt, seconded by Shoemaker, that this Board 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 to discuss negotiations in a legal proceeding and to discuss energy supply negotiations. Roll Call: Ayes; Hunt, Shoemaker, DeWalt, Anderson, Krieger. Nays; None. Motion carried

The meeting closed to the public at 9:25 a.m. The executive session consisted of Board Members, Council Liaisons Goebel and Odom, the Board's Attorney, and staff.

Moved by Hunt, seconded by Krieger, that the meeting be reopened to the public at 9:52 a.m. and that no decisions were made nor official actions taken during said Closed Session. Roll Call: Ayes; Hunt, Krieger, Shoemaker, Dewalt, Anderson. Nays; None. Motion carried.

The Board was reminded that the next regular Board meeting will be held on Wednesday, December 30<sup>th</sup>.

The meeting adjourned at 9:53 a.m.

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Secretary