HASTINGS UTILITY BOARD
AGENDA

Council Chambers – City Hall
220 North Hastings Avenue
June 13, 2019
9:00 AM

ROLL CALL:

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

MOTION TO ADOPT CURRENT AGENDA June 13, 2019 REGULAR MEETING.

PUBLIC NOTICE - Official Notice of the Regular Meeting was published in the Hastings Tribune on Tuesday, June 11, 2019. Pursuant to Nebraska Revised Statute Section 84-1412, the public is advised that a copy of today's agenda and all reproducible written material which will be discussed at today's meeting is located at the back of the Council Chambers. Also, a current copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act is posted on the south wall of the Council Chambers which is accessible to members of the public.

MANAGER'S COMMUNICATIONS:

BOARD CHAIRMAN'S COMMUNICATIONS:

BOARD MEMBERS' COMMUNICATIONS:

CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS:

CONSENT AGENDA:

1. <u>All Consent Items.</u>

    (a) Approval of the minutes of the Hastings Utility Board Meeting of May 9, 2019.

REGULAR AGENDA:

2. <u>Unfinished Business of Preceding Meeting.</u>

3. <u>General Business.</u>

    (a) Finance

        i. Budget Planning

ii. Financial Reporting and Staffing

(b) Production

i. Solar Pricing

ii. WEC Outage Update

(c) Operations

(d) Administration

(e) Other

4. <u>Possible Closed Session (if necessary or requested).</u>

ADJOURN:

The Hastings Utility Board reserves the right to enter into an executive session at any time during the meeting, in accordance with the Nebraska Open Meetings Act, even though the closed session may not be indicated on the agenda. It is the intention of the Hastings Utility Board to take up the items on the agenda in sequential order. However, the Hastings Utilities Board reserves the right to take up matters in a different order to accommodate the schedule of the Utility Board Members, persons having items on the agenda, and the public.

CITY OF HASTINGS, NEBRASKA
MINUTES OF UTILITY BOARD REGULAR MEETING
Thursday, May 9, 2019

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a Regular Meeting of the Utility Board of Hastings, Nebraska was conducted in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 220 N. Hastings Avenue, on May 9, 2019.

ROLL CALL:

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. in Regular Session by Chairman Jack Schreiner with the following members present: Jack Schreiner, Bill Hitesman, Joanne Seberg, Shawn Hartmann, Shayne Rait

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

The Chairman led the group in recital of the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States of America.

MOTION TO ADOPT CURRENT AGENDA FOR May 9, 2018 REGULAR MEETING.

Moved by Shayne Raitt seconded by Bill Hitesman to adopt the current agenda for May 9, 2019 regular meeting. Roll Call: Ayes: Shawn Hartmann, Bill Hitesman, Jack Schreiner, Joanne Seberg, Shayne Raitt. Nays: None. Absent: Non. The motion carried.

PUBLIC NOTICE - Official Notice of the Regular Meeting was published in the Hastings Tribune on Tuesday, May 7, 2019.

Chairman Jack Schreiner read the Public Notice - Pursuant to the Nebraska Revised Statute Section 84-1412, the public is advised that a copy of today's agenda and all reproducible written material which will be discussed at today's meeting is located at the back of the Council Chambers. Also, a current copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act is posted on the south wall of the Council Chambers which is accessible to members of the public.

MANAGER'S COMMUNICATIONS:

Kevin Johnson informed the Board that he had targeted this meeting to be able to present the customer participation information for the solar farm but is not quite ready to do that. He said that the FAA has not fully confirmed the location of the solar farm. Johnson said that not all of the infrastructure numbers are available yet, but GENPRO has provided some confidential information that staff would like to share in Executive Session.

BOARD CHAIRMAN'S COMMUNICATIONS:

None.

BOARD MEMBERS' COMMUNICATIONS:

None.

CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS:

None.

CONSENT AGENDA:

1. <u>All Consent Items.</u>

Moved by Shawn Hartmann seconded by Joanne Seberg to approve All Consent Items. Roll Call: Ayes: Shawn Hartmann, Bill Hitesman, Jack Schreiner, Joanne Seberg, Shayne Raitt. Nays: None. Absent: N. The motion carried.

(a) Approval of the minutes of the Hastings Utility Board Meeting of April 11, 2019

REGULAR AGENDA:

2. <u>Unfinished Business of Preceding Meeting.</u>

None.

3. <u>General Business.</u>

(a) Finance

i. Financial Reporting (1st Qtr.) and Budget Season Plan

Kevin Johnson informed the Board that a budget schedule has been presented with a city-wide budget calendar plan. He said that our staff is beginning to gather information for the budget, however, we have just completed the 1st Quarter of the fiscal year and are behind from a financial reporting perspective. He said that even though we are starting to gather information, it is going to take a little while for the general ledger information to be given to us. He said we will then extract information for budgeting purposes. Johnson said that the idea is to accelerate or move up the budget season so we are not crunched for time later in the year. He said that we will do everything we can to adhere to the presented schedule.

Johnson gave a presentation on the December 2018 Monthly Report, which is the end of the First Quarter. He presented balance sheet highlights, summaries for each department, general and administrative summaries, production numbers, and unit sales and cost analysis.

(b) Production

i. Solar Farm - Customer Participation Options

Derek Zeisler updated the Board on the Solar Farm project. He said that GENPRO is getting through all the permitting processes. Zeisler said that Don Threewitt is working with them and he appreciates his efforts. Zeisler reported that they will be moving forward with planting a pollenation blend so that we will get some good flowers, bees, and butterflies. However, he said that he is told to expect two to three years for that to look the way we want it to. This will start as soon as the FAA approval letter comes through. GENPRO has given staff their 90% design drawings so those are currently being reviewed. Testing will need to be done on the pylons. Zeisler said he would like to discuss pricing information in Executive Session as well as demonstrate an interactive web interface for people to plug in their own numbers. Zeisler said that the consultant does not anticipate a problem with the FAA approval, as preliminary information from the FAA was taken care of.

ii. WEC 1 & 2 Outage Updates

Shane Stone gave a presentation on the Whelan Energy Center Outages. He reviewed major and minor outage projects and WEC1 and WEC2 outage schedule updates. WEC1 outage completion date has been extended until June 10th to make the necessary turbine rotor repairs and WEC2 outage dates of May 17 - 31 remain unchanged. Stone invited Board members to the plant for a tour if they so desire.

iii. Recommendation for Award of Contract for WEC1 and NDS Installation of Miscellaneous Platforms (Contract HU 2019-04 FC-13)

Moved by Jack Schreiner seconded by Shawn Hartmann to recommend the City Council award a contract for WEC1 and NDS Installation of Miscellaneous Platforms (Contract HU 2019-04 FC-13) to Kiner Inc., Aurora, Nebraska, in the amount of $151,122.43. Roll Call: Ayes: Shawn Hartmann, Bill Hitesman, Jack Schreiner, Joanne Seberg, Shayne Raitt. Nays: None. Absent: None. The motion carried.

(c) Operations

None.

(d) Administration

None.

(e) Other

None.

4. <u>Possible Closed Session (if necessary or requested).</u>

Moved by Bill Hitesman seconded by Shayne Raitt to 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 negotiations. Roll Call: Ayes: Shawn Hartmann, Bill Hitesman, Jack Schreiner, Joanne Seberg, Shayne Raitt. Nays: None. Absent: None. The motion carried.

The meeting closed to the public at 9:35 a.m.

Moved by Shayne Raitt seconded by Joanne Seberg that the meeting be reopened to the public at 10:25 a.m., and that no decisions were made nor official actions taken during said Closed Session. Roll Call: Ayes; Shayne Raitt, Joanne Seberg, Bill Hiteman, Shawn Hartmann, Jack Schreiner. Nays: None. Absent: None. The motion carried.

ADJOURN:

Moved by Joanne Seberg seconded by Shawn Hartmann that there being no further business, the meeting adjourn at 10:26 a.m. Roll Call: Ayes: Joanne Seberg, Shawn Hartmann, Shayne Raitt, Jack Schreiner, Bill Hitesman. Nays: None. The motion carried.

APPROVED:

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Board Secretary