

HASTINGS UTILITY BOARD AGENDA

**Hastings Public Library
314 N. Denver Avenue
December 9, 2021
9:00 AM**

ROLL CALL:

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

MOTION TO ADOPT CURRENT AGENDA FOR December 9, 2021 REGULAR MEETING.

PUBLIC NOTICE - Official Notice of the Regular Meeting was published in the Hastings Tribune on Tuesday, December 7, 2021. 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 Hastings Public Library. Also, a current copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act is posted on the south wall of the Hastings Public Library, which is accessible to members of the public.

MANAGER'S COMMUNICATIONS:

BOARD CHAIRMAN'S COMMUNICATIONS:

BOARD MEMBERS' COMMUNICATIONS:

CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS:

CONSENT AGENDA:

1. All Consent Items.
 - (a) Approval of the minutes of the Hastings Utility Board Meeting of November 10, 2021.

REGULAR AGENDA:

2. Unfinished Business of Preceding Meeting.
3. General Business.
 - (a) Finance
 - (b) Production

- i. New Aerial Truck Lineman Certifications
- (c) Operations
- (d) Administration
 - i. Future meetings to be held at City Hall
- (e) Other
 - i. 3505 Yost Purchase Update
 - ii. IRP Committee Update

4. Possible Closed Session (if necessary or requested).

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
Wednesday, November 10, 2021

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a Regular Meeting of the Utility Board of Hastings, Nebraska was conducted in the Hastings Public Library, 314 N. Denver Avenue, on November 10, 2021.

ROLL CALL:

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. in Regular Session by **Bill Hitesman** with the following members present: Susan Meeske, Shayne Raitt, Kevin Johnson, Erik Neilsen, Jake Frerichs, Amanda Scott, Lee Vrooman, Jason Reddin, Derek Ziesler, Ed Fleharty, Lori Hartman, Keith Leonhardt, Roger Nash, Robin Ginn, Dave Ptak, Cory Stutte, Clint Shukei.
Absent: Jeanette Dewalt and Mark Hemje

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Bill Hitesman led the group in the recital of the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States of America.

MOTION TO ADOPT CURRENT AGENDA FOR November 10, 2021 REGULAR MEETING.

Moved by Raitt and seconded by Meeske to adopt the current agenda for the November 10, 2021 Regular Meeting. Roll Call: Ayes: Hitesman, Meeske, Raitt. Nays: None. Absent: Jeanette Dewalt and Mark Hemje. The motion carried.

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MANAGER'S COMMUNICATIONS:

None.

BOARD CHAIRMAN'S COMMUNICATIONS:

The meeting today has been moved in honor of Veteran's Day. Thank you to all of the Veteran's.

BOARD MEMBERS' COMMUNICATIONS:

None.

CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS:

None.

CONSENT AGENDA:

1. All Consent Items.

- (a) Approval of the minutes of the Hastings Utility Board Meeting of October 14, 2021 and October 28, 2021.

Meeske motioned for approval, Raitt 2nd. Roll Call: Ayes: Bill Hitesman, Susan Meeske, Shayne Raitt. Nays: None. Absent: Jeanette Dewalt and Mark Hemje. Approved.

REGULAR AGENDA:

2. Unfinished Business of Preceding Meeting.

- a Economic Development Funds use for Workforce Development

Kevin - There was an intent to have every board member opine. There were a couple meetings where one or two members were missing, but every member has heard the discussion.

Mayor - There isn't anything more to discuss today, Michael is still coming up with a formula to make something work with the program. Everything is still being put together.

3. General Business.

- (a) Finance

Deb McCoy has retired after being with us for 38 years. Congratulations. As of now, there is no replacement. Her work is being spread amongst other employees at this time.

- (b) Production

- (c) Operations

- (d) Administration

(e) Other

i. Strategic Initiatives Supporting HU Operations

Presentations were presented by Lori Hartman (HR), Erik Neilsen (IT), Amanda Scott (Public Relations), Lee Vrooman (Engineering), and Roger Nash (Finance).

ii. SPP Market Participation Overview

Presentation provided by Jason Redding.

iii. 3505 Yost Building acquisition from HEDC recommendation

Need a formal recommendation from the board for a public hearing to be taken to the city council. Everyone has heard the presentation for the acquisition of this building. Hitesman asked for a motion to move this forward. Meeske motion, Raitt seconded. It is part of the statute to have a public hearing.

4. Possible Closed Session (if necessary or requested).

ADJOURN:

Moved by Shayne Raitt seconded by Susan Meeske there being no further business to adjourn at 9:55 am. Roll Call: Ayes: Bill Hitesman, Susan Meeske, Shayne Raitt. Nays: None. Absent: Jeanette Dewalt and Mark Hemje. Meeting Adjourned.

APPROVED:

Board Secretary

Department: Utility Administration
Staff Contact:
Utility Board Meeting Date: 12/9/2021

AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY SHEET

Description of Item:

Names of People/Business affected by this action:

Why Council action is required:

Type of action requested:

No Action Required

Suggested motion:

Deadlines associated with action:

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