

CITY OF HASTINGS, NEBRASKA
MINUTES OF UTILITY BOARD REGULAR MEETING
Thursday, September 8, 2022

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a Regular Meeting of the Utility Board of Hastings, Nebraska was conducted in the Council Chambers - City Hall Building, 220 North Hastings Avenue, on September 8, 2022.

ROLL CALL:

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 am by Bill Hitesman with the following members present: Bill Hitesman, Susan Meeske, Mark Hemje, Shayne Raitt
Kevin Johnson, Shawn Hartmann, Butch Eley, Lori Hartman, Derek Zeisler, Lee Vrooman, Noel Nienhueser, Robin Ginn, Keith Leonhardt, Jeff Campbell, Brandan Lubkin, Brian Strom, Jaci Higgins, Roger Nash, Kim Jacobitz, Lori Vorderstrasse, Clint Schukei, LeAnne Doose
Absesnt: Jeanette Dewalt, Corey Stutte

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 September 8, 2022 REGULAR MEETING.

Moved by Raitt and seconded by Meeske to adopt the current agenda for the September 8, 2022 Regular Meeting. Roll Call: Ayes: Hitesman, Meeske, Hemje, Raitt. Nays: None. Absent: Dewalt. The motion carried.

PUBLIC NOTICE - Official Notice of the Regular Meeting was published in the Hastings Tribune on Tuesday, September 6, 2022. 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:

None

BOARD CHAIRMAN'S COMMUNICATIONS:

None

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 August 11, 2022.

Approved.

REGULAR AGENDA:

2. Unfinished Business of Preceding Meeting.

3. General Business.

- (a) Finance

- i. '22-'23 Budget Recommendation

Formal city approval is September 27, 2022. This is the last formal visit for this. Mark thanks Kevin and Staff.

Moved by Meeske, seconded by Hemje to approve to go to city council. Yays: Hitesman, Meeske, Hemje, Raitt. Nays: None. Absent: Dewalt.

- (b) Production

- i. IRP Study Update

Derek Zeisler and Keith Leonhardt presented a slide show.

WEC Unit 1 Fuel Study

- Study evaluating the capital cost of conversion to fuel oil
- This option would allow the use of fuel oil with WEC 1 in reliability status
- GE and B&V are evaluating the impacts on boiler, turbine, and other plant equipment.
- Expect results by November 1

WEC CCR Status (Coal Combustion Residue Rule)

- Rule does not allow sluicing ash into unlined pond after Oct. 2023
- EPA has determined that our plan is responsive
- Our application is tolled

-When our application is approved we would need to negotiate a revised schedule with a new cost estimate.

ii. Units #4 and #5 Status

Derek Zeisler and Keith Leonhardt presented a slide show.

-Completed turbine overhauls on both units.

-Successful operation of both units.

-Will regain capacity accreditation.

-Potential to operate with fuel oil or natural gas.

-Major capital items are cooling tower controls upgrades.

(c) Operations

(d) Administration

i. FNIC Insurance Consultants

Jeff Scanlan and Mark Frantz are guest speakers; Insurance Consultants (FNIC). Spoke about insurance liabilities.

Kevin: We had them come forward to discuss the needs of the company.

If you have any further questions, please get them to Kevin Johnson or Kim Jacobitz and they will get to them.

(e) Other

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

ADJOURN:

Adjourned at 9:57 A.M.

APPROVED:

Board Secretary