

CITY OF HASTINGS, NEBRASKA
MINUTES OF UTILITY BOARD REGULAR MEETING
Thursday, August 10, 2023

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 North Denver Avenue, on August 10, 2023.

ROLL CALL:

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 am by Bill Hitesman with the following members present:

Scott Snell, Mark Hemje, Butch Eley, Shawn Hartmann

Staff in attendance: Kevin Johnson, Derek Zeisler, Brian Strom, Karl Block, Erik Nielsen, Roger Nash, Micha McCaffery, Lee Vrooman, Brandan Lubken, Tony Herrman, Noel Nienhueser, Lori Hartman, Larry Fox, Jesse Oswald.

Absent: Jeanette Dewalt, Susan Meeske, Corey Stutte, Shawn Metcalf

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 August 10, 2023 REGULAR MEETING.

Moved by Hemje, Second by Snell to adopt the current agenda for the August 10, 2023 regular meeting. Roll call: Ayes: Bill Hitesman, Mark Hemje, Scott Snell. Nays: None. Absent: Jeanette Dewalt, Susan Meeske. The motion carried.

PUBLIC NOTICE - Official Notice of the Regular Meeting was published in the Hastings Tribune on Tuesday, August 8, 2023. 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 Library. Also, a current copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act is posted on the south wall of the Hastings Library which is accessible to members of the public.

MANAGER'S COMMUNICATIONS:

Not asking for recommendation from the board today with members absent today. Gives you time to go over everything. The date for council is September 11. Have to have recommendation prior to the 11th. Will set up a time to get this

BOARD CHAIRMAN'S COMMUNICATIONS:

Thank you staff for putting everything together.

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 July 13, 2023.

Moved by Hemje, Second by Snell to adopt the current agenda for the August 10, 2023 regular meeting. Roll call: Ayes: Bill Hitesman, Mark Hemje, Scott Snell. Nays: None. Absent: Jeanette Dewalt, Susan Meeske. Approved.

REGULAR AGENDA:

2. Unfinished Business of Preceding Meeting.

3. General Business.

- (a) Finance

- i. Budget Preview

Kevin and others presented the overview of the presentation for the budget for 2023/2024. We will have this presentation on the website and will have further details on the website.

Defer recommendation vote until all members are present.

- (b) Production

- (c) Operations

- (d) Administration

- (e) Other

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

ADJOURN:

Motion to adjourn by Snell, seconded by Hemje. Ayes:Hitesman, Hemje, Snell. Nays: None.

Absent: Jeanette Dewalt, Susan Meeske.

Adjourned at 9:49 am.

APPROVED:

Board Secretary