

CITY OF HASTINGS, NEBRASKA
MINUTES OF UTILITY BOARD REGULAR MEETING
Thursday, October 12, 2017

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 October 12, 2017.

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

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

Moved by Joanne Seberg seconded by Shawn Hartmann to adopt the current agenda for October 12, 2017 Regular meeting. Roll Call: Ayes: Shawn Hartmann, Willis Hunt, Jack Schreiner, Joanne Seberg. Nays: None. Absent: Bill Hitesman. The motion carried.

Chairman 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:

Allen Meyer, Interim Manager of Utilities, stated that the scheduled outage at WEC-1 began on September 20, 2017 and was completed on October 4, 2017. The scheduled outage at WEC-2 began the evening of October 6, 2017. He said that this is a major overhaul of the generator and replacing catalysts in the selective catalytic reduction system. This outage should be complete right before Thanksgiving.

Meyer thanked everyone who assisted him during his term as Interim Manager and said he looks forward to working with Kevin Johnson, the new Manager of Utilities.

BOARD CHAIRMAN'S COMMUNICATIONS:

Chairman Jack Schreiner thanked Al for his service for the past year.

BOARD MEMBERS' COMMUNICATIONS:

Board Member Willis Hunt thanked Al for his desire to help and make the transition to a new Manager as easy as possible.

CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS:

None.

CONSENT AGENDA:

1. All Consent Items.

(a) Approval of the minutes of the Hastings Utility Board Meeting of September 14, 2017

Moved by Willis Hunt seconded by Joanne Seberg to approve all Consent Items, as presented. Roll Call: Ayes: Shawn Hartmann, Willis Hunt, Jack Schreiner, Joanne Seberg. Nays: None. Absent: Bill Hitesman. The motion carried.

REGULAR AGENDA:

2. Unfinished Business of Preceding Meeting.

None.

3. General Business.

(a) Discussion on Insurance

Jeff Scanlan of the Harry A. Koch Co. gave an overview of Hastings Utilities' current insurance coverage. A review of the current coverages is required by bond ordinance.

Moved by Shawn Hartmann seconded by Willis Hunt 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 relative to negotiations. Roll Call: yes: Shawn Hartmann, Willis Hunt, Jack Schreiner, Joanne Seberg. Nays: None. Absent: Bill Hitesman. The motion carried.

The meeting closed to the public at 10:05 a.m.

Moved by Shawn Hartmann seconded by Willis Hunt that the meeting be reopened to the public at 10:20 a.m., and that no decisions were made nor official actions taken during said Closed Session. Roll Call: Ayes: Shawn Hartmann, Willis Hunt, Jack Schreiner, Joanne Seberg. Nays: None. Absent: Bill Hitesman. The motion carried.

(b) Approval of Electric System Insurance Resolution No. 2017-02

Moved by Willis Hunt seconded by Joanne Seberg to approve Electric System Insurance Resolution 2017-02 for one year. Roll Call: Ayes: Shawn Hartmann, Willis Hunt, Jack Schreiner, Joanne Seberg. Nays: None. Absent: Bill Hitesman. The motion carried.

(c) Approval of Combined Utilities System Insurance Resolution No. 2017-03

Moved by Willis Hunt seconded by Shawn Hartmann to approve Combined Utilities System Insurance Resolution No. 2017-03 for one year. Roll Call: Ayes: Shawn Hartmann, Willis Hunt, Jack Schreiner, Joanne Seberg. Nays: None. Absent: Bill Hitesman. The motion carried.

(d) Presentation of the April 2017 Monthly Report

Allen Meyer gave a presentation on the April 2017 Monthly Report.

Moved by Willis Hunt seconded by Joanne Seberg that this Board go into Closed Session, which Closed Session is clearly necessary for the protection of the public interest and for the prevention of needless injury to the reputation of an individual, which individual has not requested a public meeting, in order to discuss certain matters relating to personnel and that said Closed Session will consist of a strategy session relative to litigation, negotiations, and security.

The meeting closed to the public at 10:42 a.m.

Moved by Shawn Hartmann seconded by Willis Hunt that the meeting be reopened to the public at 11:25 a.m., and that no decisions were made nor official actions taken during said Closed Session. Roll Call: Ayes: Shawn Hartmann, Willis Hunt, Jack Schreiner, Joanne Seberg. Nays: None. Absent: Bill Hitesman. The motion carried.

Moved by Shawn Hartmann seconded by there being no further business to adjourn the meeting at 11:25 a.m. Roll Call: Ayes; Shawn Hartmann, Willis Hunt, Joanne Seberg, Jack Schreiner. Nays; None. Absent: Bill Hitesman. The motion carried.

APPROVED:

Board Secretary