**JOINT SPECIAL MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL**

**AND FALLS CITY BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS**

April 10, 2025

2307 Barada Street

Falls City, Nebraska

A joint special meeting of the City Council and Board of Public Works of the City of Falls City, Nebraska, was held at the City Hall, 2307 Barada Street in said City on the 10th day of April, 2025 at 6:00 o’clock P.M. Present were Board Members:  Froeschl, Johansen, Joy, Koopman, Rieger. Absent: None. Trevor Campbell recorded the minutes of the meeting. Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by posting in three public places, a designated method for giving notice as shown by the Certificate of Posting Notice attached to these minutes. Notice of this meeting was given to the Board Chairperson and all members of the Board and a copy of their acknowledgment of receipt of notice and the agenda is attached to the minutes. Availability of the agenda was communicated in the advance notice and in the notice to the Chairperson and Board of this meeting. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public. Mayor Harkendorff publicly stated to all in attendance that a current copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was available for review and indicated the location of such copy posted in the room where the meeting was being held.

**BOPW MINUTES APPROVAL FOR APRIL 3, 2025**

A motion was made by Froeschl and seconded by Joy to approve the minutes for April 3, 2025, as presented. Roll was called on this motion and the members voted as follows: “YEA” Froeschl, Johansen, Joy, Koopman, Rieger. “NAY” None. “ABSENT” None. Motion carried.

**CLOSED SESSION – DISCUSSION OF ELECTRIC DISTRIBUTION DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL CHANGES**

A motion was made by Council member Ferguson and seconded by Council member F.Killingsworth to enter into a closed session at 6:03 pm to discuss electric distribution department changes for the protection of public interest and to prevent the needless injury to the reputation of personnel. Attendees for the closed session will include the Mayor, City Council Members, BOPW members, City Administrator, Public Works Director and City Attorney. Roll was called on this motion and the members voted as follows: “YEA” Buckminster, Ferguson, Fouraker, Kaster, F. Killingsworth, K. Killingsworth, Ruiz. “NAY” None. “ABSENT” Leyden. Motion carried. A motion was made by Council member Ferguson and seconded by Council member Buckminster to end the closed session at 7:38 pm and return to public session. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA” Buckminster, Ferguson, Fouraker, Kaster, F. Killingsworth, K. Killingsworth, Ruiz. "NAY" None. "ABSENT” Leyden. Motion carried.

**CLOSED SESSION – DISCUSSION OF ELECTRIC DISTRIBUTION DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL CHANGES WITH EX-EMPLOYEES OF THE LINEMAN DEPARTMENT ALLOWED TO ENTER CLOSED SESSION ONE AT A TIME ON A VOLUNTARY BASIS**

A motion was made by Council member Kaster and seconded by Council member F. Killingsworth to enter into a closed session at 7:41 pm to discuss electric distribution department changes for the protection of public interest and to prevent the needless injury to the reputation of personnel. Attendees for the closed session will include the Mayor, City Council Members, BOPW members, City Administrator, Public Works Director, and City attorney. Eric Kreifels was the first ex-employee to enter the closed session discussion followed by Dale Campbell and Dakota Keller. Roll was called on this motion and the members voted as follows: “YEA” Buckminster, Ferguson, Fouraker, Kaster, F. Killingsworth, K. Killingsworth, Ruiz. “NAY” None. “ABSENT” Leyden. Motion carried. A motion was made by Council member Ferguson and seconded by Council member Buckminster to end the closed session at 8:36 pm and return to public session. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA” Buckminster, Ferguson, Fouraker, Kaster, F. Killingsworth, K. Killingsworth, Ruiz. "NAY" None. "ABSENT” Leyden. Motion carried.

**AUTHORIZE EXECUTION OF SUPPORT SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT (NPPD) | PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR – TREVOR CAMPBELL**

A motion was made by Joy and seconded by Froeschl to recommend city council authorize execution of the agreement as presented. Roll was called on this motion and the members voted as follows: “YEA” Froeschl, Johansen, Joy, Koopman, Rieger. “NAY” None. “ABSENT” None. Motion carried.

**MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:51 PM**

I, the undersigned, City Clerk for the City of Falls City, Nebraska, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of proceedings had and done by the Chairperson and Board on April 10, 2025, that all of the subjects included in the foregoing proceedings were contained in the agenda for the meeting, kept continually current and available for public inspection at the office of the City Clerk; that such agenda items were sufficiently descriptive to give the public reasonable notice of the matters to be considered at the meeting; that such subjects were contained in said agenda for at least twenty-four hours prior to said meeting; that at least one copy of all reproducible material discussed at the meeting was available at the meeting for examination and copying by members of the public; that the said minutes from which the foregoing proceedings have been extracted were in written form and available for public inspection within ten working days and prior to the next convened meeting of said body; that all news media requesting notification concerning meetings of said body were provided advance notification of the time and place of said meeting and the subjects to be discussed at said meeting; and that a current copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was available and accessible to members of the public, posted during such meeting in the room in which such meeting was held.

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