

CITY OF FALLS CITY
BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS

2307 BARADA STREET, FALLS CITY, NEBRASKA 68355-1546

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FEBRUARY 2, 2023

5:30 P.M.

- 1.] ROLL CALL.
- 2.] [MINUTES](#): JANUARY 19,2022
- 3.] AGENDA APPROVAL
- 4.] [UTILITY SUPERINTENDENT REPORT](#)
- 5.] OLD BUSINESS:
 - A. 611 REAVIS STREET – CUSTOMER REQUEST
 - B.
 - C.
- 6.] NEW BUSINESS:
 - A.
 - B.
 - C.
- 7.] CLAIMS
 - A. [UTILITY](#)
 - B. [SEWER](#)

REGULAR MEETING OF THE FALLS CITY BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS

January 19, 2023
2307 Barada Street
Falls City, Nebraska

A regular meeting of the 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 19th day of January, 2023, at 5:30 o'clock P.M. Present were: Board Members: Froeschl, Joy, Koopman, Veigel. Absent: None. Ray Luhring 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 Chairman 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 Chairman and Board of this meeting. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public. The Chairman 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.

MINUTES

A motion was made by Joy and seconded by Froeschl to approve the minutes for the January 5, 2023. Roll was called on this motion and the members voted as follows: "YEA" Froeschl, Joy, Koopman, Veigel. "NAY" None. "ABSENT" None. Motion carried.

AGENDA

A motion was made by Koopman and seconded by Joy to approve the January 19, 2023 agenda as printed. Roll was called on this motion and the members voted as follows: "YEA" Froeschl, Joy, Koopman, Veigel. "NAY" None. "ABSENT" None. Motion carried.

LANDLORD AGREEMENT & WAIVER OF UTILITY SERVICE FORMS

A motion was made by Koopman and seconded by Froeschl to approve new utility forms as presented. Roll was called on this motion and the members voted as follows: "YEA" Froeschl, Joy, Koopman, Veigel. "NAY" None. "ABSENT" None. Motion carried.

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A motion was made by Koopman and seconded by Froeschl to recommend to the City Council to award contract to Rulo Transportation in the amount of \$315,295.68. Roll was called on this motion and the members voted as follows: "YEA" Froeschl, Joy, Koopman, Veigel. "NAY" None. "ABSENT" None. Motion carried.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 6:00PM.

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 Chairman and Board on January 19, 2023 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.

(SEAL)

CITY CLERK

RAY JOY, SECRETARY

MERLE VEIGEL, CHAIRMAN

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UTILITY SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

To: Board of Public Works
From: Ray Luhring
Re: Board Report – January

We hired Jamie Clark as a new Assistant Operator at the power plant, his first day was January 24th, this is a replacement that was created when Dallas Waggoner was promoted to Operator.

Had some issues with the NMPP dashboard that is in my office that shows our real time load and pricing as well as the day ahead costs associated with our power purchases and our registered resources (NC2 and WAPPA). After some troubleshooting with a teams meeting we were able to restore the dashboard.

We held a retirement lunch for John Rieger power plant Operator on January 10th to thank him for his 46+ years of service to Falls City Utilities. It was well attended by several coworkers who all wished him good luck.

Had a meeting with MEAN to discuss some congestion that showed up a couple of times on our SPP Falls City pricing node. We are reaching out to SPP with questions because we are looking at different ways to mitigate the issue if they cannot give us a good reason. We may end up filing a formal complaint with SPP.

I attended the League of Nebraska Municipalities – Utility Section annual conference in Lincoln January 11 – 13. They had several excellent sessions and I always appreciate the Board allowing me to attend.

Met with Olsson engineering while attending the League annual conference, we discussed the current electric distribution system upgrade project, specifically the PDC contract which is the portion of the project that Olsson is in charge of.

We are now conducting employee evaluations on their anniversary date instead of the calendar year so I completed 2 evaluations in January.

Dale Campbell successfully completed his year 3 in the MPUA apprenticeship program, so after completion of his 4th year will be a certified journeyman lineman.

We have promoted Newton Simpson from Assistant Operator at the power plant to Apprentice Lineman in the electric distribution department.

Have been dealing with BNSF regarding the water main relocation project on the railroad bridge west of Preston. The BNSF won't sign the relocation reimbursement agreement until the funding is fully committed, which will be in 2 to 3 months. My response has been that we will not perform any work until the City has the signed agreement in our possession which will extend the completion date and also may impact the cost as well. The BNSF has acknowledged that and will work with us to get the project done.

Met with a representative from IRBY a electric distribution supplier that is new to the Nebraska territory and gives us another avenue for quotes on electrical products.

Drew Foster and Micah Bogdanoff have accepted positions as Assistant Operator at the power plant they will start the first full week of February.

We had an issue with the PCA calculation for the electric purchased power, it has been resolved and a check and balances process put into place to avoid this issue in the future.

We received bids for the Reed Beds Rehabilitation & Replacement project, the BOPW has recommended to the City Council to award the bid to Rulo Transportation in the amount of \$315,295.68.

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611 REAVIS STREET – CUSTOMER REQUEST

CITY OF FALLS CITY
REQUEST FOR
BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS

If you have a specific item that you would like to put on the Board of Public Works agenda, please list your name, address, telephone number, and the specific description of your request. The item will be reviewed and possibly scheduled for a future meeting, or forwarded to Utility staff for appropriate action.

NAME:

JAMES Crenshaw

ADDRESS:

503 N. 13th Terrace
SAUMEN WA

TELEPHONE #:

816 294 5901

DATE OF REQUEST:

1/24/23

DESCRIPTION OF REQUEST:

Bill Reavis Utility Charges

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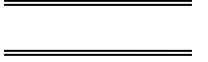
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GARY JORN, CITY CLERK