

A meeting of the Board of Public Works of the City of Beatrice, Nebraska, was convened in open and public session at 12:15 p.m. on November 16, 2011 at 400 Ella Street, Beatrice, Nebraska.

Present: Don Vetrovsky, Darin Baehr, and Dave Eskra.

Absent: Linda Clabaugh and Bob Moran.

Others: Neal Niedfeldt, Pat Feist, Steve Kelley, Jack Robbins, Ron Baete, Rex Behrends, Janet Byars, Tobias Tempelmeyer, Scott Koperski and Erin Saathoff.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by publication in the Beatrice Daily Sun and posted on the public bulletin board in the Board of Public Works Administration Office. Notice of this meeting was simultaneously given to all members of the Board of Public Works and a copy of their acknowledgment of receipt of notice and the agenda was received and placed on file. Availability of the agenda was communicated in the advance notice of the Board of Public Works of this meeting. All proceedings hereinafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

Chairperson Don Vetrovsky announced that a complete copy of the Open Meetings Act is posted on the wall by the Conference Room door.

**Safety Awards**

Steve Kelley, Water Superintendent, presented the Safety Achievement Award the Water Department was awarded by American Water Works Association for the Class III Division for 2011. Tommy Rudder was also presented the Water Industry Service Award (WISA). To qualify for this award you must have twenty (20) years of service.

Jack Robbins, WPC Superintendent, presented the 2011 Bronze Safety Award the WPC Department was awarded by Nebraska Water Environment Association. The department was also presented the Scott Wilbur Award for Outstanding Facility.

Moved by Baehr, seconded by Eskra to receive, approve and place on file the minutes of the November 2, 2011 meeting.

**Compost Operational Plan Changes**

Neal Niedfeldt and Jack Robbins, WPC Superintendent, reviewed the current operational plan for the Compost Facility. They recommended changing the hours of operation for the month of November to 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. and charging \$10.00/truck load for compost. Discussion ensued.

Moved by Baehr, seconded by Eskra, to approve the Compost Operational Plan changes as presented.

Roll Call: Yea: Vetrovsky, Baehr, Eskra

Nay: None

MOTION CARRIED

**Approval of Electric Rate Adjustment Effective January 1, 2012**

Neal Niedfeldt presented the Electric ordinance to be implemented effective January 1, 2012, which includes the rate increase of 2.5%.

Moved by Eskra, seconded by Baehr, to approve and recommend to the Mayor and City Council the Electric ordinance and implement the new rates on or about January 1, 2012.

Roll Call: Yea: Vetrovsky, Baehr, Eskra  
Nay: None

MOTION CARRIED

**Monthly Department Reports**

Neal Niedfeldt presented the monthly department report to the Board.

Moved by Baehr, seconded by Eskra, to receive the monthly department reports and place on file.

Roll Call: Yea: Vetrovsky, Baehr, Eskra  
Nay: None

MOTION CARRIED

**Vouchers**

Vouchers for the Electric, Water, WPC, and Street departments were presented.

Moved by Eskra, seconded by Baehr, to approve the Electric, Water, WPC department vouchers for payment and refer the Street department vouchers to Council for payment.

Roll Call: Yea: Vetrovsky, Baehr, Eskra  
Nay: None

MOTION CARRIED

**Meeting Adjourned**

Moved by Eskra, seconded by Baehr, to adjourn meeting.

Roll Call: Yea: Vetrovsky, Baehr, Eskra  
Nay: None

MOTION CARRIED

Meeting adjourned at 1:05 p.m.

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Chairman

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Secretary