

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 August 29, 2012 at 400 Ella Street, Beatrice, Nebraska.

Present: Don Vetrovsky, Linda Clabaugh, Dave Eskra, and Bob Moran.

Absent: Darin Baehr.

Others: Tobias Tempelmeyer, Pat Feist, Steve Kelley, Jack Robbins, Ron Baete, Rex Behrends, Janet Byars, Scott Koperski, Doug Kennedy, 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.

Moved by Clabaugh, seconded by Eskra to receive, approve and place on file the minutes of the August 14, 2012 meeting as amended.

**Approval of Change  
Order #1 for the Chris  
Drive (Cul-de-sac) Paving  
District #495 project**

Rex Behrends, City Engineer, presented the change order on the Chris Drive (Cul-de-sac) Paving District #495. The project is complete and the costs will be assessed to the owner.

Moved by Moran, seconded by Clabaugh, to approve the change order for the Chris Drive (Cul-de-sac) Paving District #495 project.

Roll Call: Yea: Vetrovsky, Clabaugh, Eskra, Moran

Nay: None

MOTION CARRIED

**Approval of FY2012-2013  
Budget**

Discussion was held regarding the FY2012-2013 Budget. The Board had previously been given information on how much income a larger water rate increase would bring in for the Department. Tobias J. Tempelmeyer, General Manager, reviewed the various rate increases and the potential impact they would have for the Water Department.

With a 7.5% increase residential customers would see an increase of \$1.69/month and for commercial customers the increase would be \$5.53/month. This would generate an additional \$145,752.72 for the Department. A 10% increase would bring in an additional \$191,872.08, resulting in a monthly increase of \$2.22 for residential customers and \$7.25 for commercial customers. Discussion ensued.

Moved by Moran, seconded by Eskra, to amend the Water Department Budget as originally presented to reflect a rate increase of 7.5%.

Roll Call: Yea: Vetrovsky, Clabaugh, Eskra, Moran  
Nay: None MOTION CARRIED

Discussion ensued regarding the other department's FY2012-2013 Budget.

Moved by Clabaugh, seconded by Moran, to approve the Board of Public Works FY2012-2013 Budget.

Roll Call: Yea: Vetrovsky, Clabaugh, Eskra, Moran  
Nay: None MOTION CARRIED

**Review of Board Policies Regarding Early Retirement, Inactive Water Taps, and Severance Pay**

Tobias J. Tempelmeyer gave an overview of the process of reviewing the current Board Policies. He also reported that he and the department heads are currently reviewing the Management Policies as well.

The proposed policies to be repealed were: Proposed Early Retirement Incentive Policy dated April 3, 2007; Early Retirement Incentive Policy #118 dated April 2, 2001; Inactive Water Taps #80 dated May 15, 1985; and Severance Pay for Early Retirement #92 dated June 21, 1989. All of the above policies are either outdated; repealed by the City Council by Resolution; or are covered under City Code, therefore are not applicable anymore.

Moved by Eskra, seconded by Moran to repeal the four (4) policies presented to the Board at this time.

Roll Call: Yea: Vetrovsky, Clabaugh, Eskra, Moran  
Nay: None MOTION CARRIED

**Update Regarding Gen Station Rate vs. Blended Rate**

Pat Feist, Electric Superintendent, presented the Board information regarding the overall savings received by switching to NPPD's Gen Station Rate as opposed to the Blended Rate. In June 2012, we saw a savings of \$16,298 and July 2012 the savings was \$18,860. It was estimated that annually we would see a savings of \$100,000 to \$125,000.

**Update Regarding Labor Breakdown for UV System Installation**

The Board was presented with a breakdown of the labor costs for the installation of the UV System. Everything was in-line and no further questions were raised.

**Nitrate Report**

Steve Kelley, Water Superintendent, presented the quarterly nitrate report to the Board.

Moved by Eskra, seconded by Clabaugh to receive and place the nitrate report on file.

Roll Call: Yea: Vetrovsky, Clabaugh, Eskra, Moran  
Nay: None MOTION CARRIED

**Vouchers**

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

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

Roll Call: Yea: Vetrovsky, Clabaugh, Eskra, Moran  
Nay: None MOTION CARRIED

**Meeting Adjourned**

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

Roll Call: Yea: Vetrovsky, Clabaugh, Eskra, Moran  
Nay: None MOTION CARRIED

Meeting adjourned at 12:57 p.m.