

The Board of Public Works of the City of Tecumseh, Nebraska met in regular session in the Council Chambers of City Hall on the 5th day of January, 2016 at 4:02 o'clock p.m., in a publicly convened session, the same being open to the public and having been preceded by advance publicized notice.

The following members of the Board of Public Works were present: Lynn Campbell, Dan Blessing. Absent: None. Others present: Casey Bohling, Ann Curry, Bruce Dalluge, Mike Davison, Doug Goracke, Bill Montz, Sr., and Ray Kappel. Chairman Blessing reported that Fred Pooch had resigned as a board member.

Motion by Blessing, seconded by Campbell, to approve the minutes of the December 4 regular meeting and December 14, 2015 special meeting, with a correction on the December 14 minutes to show the amount for the bid received on the Chevy Silverado pickup as \$35,002 instead of \$39,840. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Motion by Blessing, seconded by Campbell, to approve payment of bills. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

In the water/wastewater report, Casey Bohling stated that test results on the monthly routine water samples have come back good, work will continue on the chemical injection system, a new curb stop has been installed at 6th & Lincoln, new fire hall has been connected to the sewer main, and that the sewer main was jetted in 2nd & Greeley area and preventative maintenance done on the main north from 3rd & Greeley. He also stated that they will be working on sending cross-connection surveys out to water customers.

No action taken on the purchase of a 2004 Vactor jet truck, as the truck has not been available for inspection.

Motion by Campbell, seconded by Blessing, to approve renewing the employees' health insurance with United Healthcare as of the February 1, 2016 renewal date. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Doug Goracke stated that the proposed electric rate study with Olssons would include costs of improvements in infrastructure. There are areas that have aging underground lines which need attention, and other improvements would need to be prioritized. Olssons would bill for their services, with total costs not to exceed \$25,000. This would be handled by addendum agreement to the original contract. Motion by Campbell, seconded by Blessing, to approve the Electric Rate Scope of Service as proposed by Olssons. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Motion made by Blessing, seconded by Campbell, to approve \$10.71 to \$16.04 as the starting salary range for the utility secretary position, with the exact amount to be decided based on the applicant's qualifications. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

The board discussed lining sewer mains and bad spots that may need some attention and felt that priority should be given to doing preventative maintenance on the sewer lines in certain areas. Doug Goracke stated that water lines from buildings on the square are being measured for the downtown project and identified possible issues with the water service south

of 4th & Clay which goes to several businesses and homes. Mike Davison reported that they are waiting for a quote on #1 turbo charger.

On motion the meeting was adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

Lynn Campbell Secretary

Dan Blessing Chairman