

The Board of Public Works of the City of Tecumseh, Nebraska met in regular session in the Council Chambers of City Hall on the 2nd day of February, 2015 at 4:00 o'clock p.m., in a publicly convened session, the same being open to the public and having been preceded by advance publicized notice, a copy of the same showing the advance time by which such advance publicized notice was given, a statement of how the availability of an agenda of then known subjects was communicated and the time and specific place of the holding of this meeting. Each member was previously furnished with a copy of said advance publicized notice, the same having been transmitted to each member simultaneously with its publicized notice. The Chairman presided and the Secretary recorded the proceedings. The Chairman read a statement of availability of current copy of the Open Meeting Act.

The following members of the Board of Public Works were present: Dan Blessing, Fred Pooch and Lynn Campbell. Absent: None. Others present: Doug Goracke, Mike Davison, Paula Darling, Tracy Milke, Bob Gieser, Dr. Ted Evans, Ann Wickett, and Bruce Dalluge.

Motion by Pooch, seconded by Campbell, to approve the minutes of the January 5, 2015 regular meeting. Yeas: Blessing, Campbell and Pooch. Nays: None. Absent and not voting: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Campbell, seconded by Pooch, to approve payment of bills. Yeas: Campbell, Blessing and Pooch. Nays: None. Absent and not voting: None. Motion carried.

Board members reviewed the water/wastewater report as distributed by Tracy Milke. Milke stated that they are still having trouble with the chemical feed pumps and MC² is aware of the trouble and is supposedly ordering a repair part. In addition, Sargent Drilling is installing the new piping and valves at the booster station and utility employees installed the steps and hooked up the drains at Well No.1. Employees installed the mixer at the lift station and Casey Bohling is taking wastewater classes this week in Hastings.

Bob Gieser asked to address the Board regarding the preparation of a water easement across his property for a line that will connect to Tecumseh Poultry. Board members, including City Attorney Dalluge, suggested contact be made with Tecumseh Poultry.

Dr. Ted Evans addressed the Board regarding the separation of the water service at 72815 620th Avenue and 72817 620th Avenue. He would prefer the services be separated before the adjacent property is sold and the Board agreed. Dr. Evans will contact the present owners to tell them of this decision.

Motion by Pooch, seconded by Blessing, to inform Eldon Bueche of the total costs involved in installing a driveway culvert using a steel 18-inch tube. If he agrees to the price, the utility department will do the installation. Yeas: Pooch, Campbell and Blessing. Nays: None. Absent and not voting: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Pooch, seconded by Campbell, to allow Olsson Associates to conduct research on how best to approach additional electric system development in the Shawnee Ridge area. Yeas: Blessing, Campbell and Pooch. Nays: None. Absent and not voting: None. Motion carried.

The Board discussed the need for a master plan regarding the replacement of old electric lines. Foreman Goracke distributed copies of contracts and asked members to review them so they could discuss them at the March meeting. Staff should contact NMPP about reviewing the water study that was done last fall to see if it is still as accurate and up to date as possible and to start work on the electric rate study.

Foreman Goracke stated that employees are busy with trimming trees and snow removal.

On motion the meeting was adjourned at 5:10 p.m.

Lynn Campbell

Secretary

Dan Blessing

Chairman