

Minutes  
Board of Public Works  
March 1, 2021

The Board of Public Works of the City of Tecumseh, Nebraska met in regular session in the Utilities Conference Room, Council Chambers on the 1st day of March, 2021 at 4:00 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 Chair presided and the City Clerk recorded the proceedings.

The following members of the Board of Public Works were present: Dan Blessing, Lynn Campbell, Charles Murphy. Others present: 3 staff members, City Attorney.

Meeting called to order at 4:00 P.M.

Chairperson Blessing read the statement of availability of current copy of the Open Meetings Act.

Minutes of the February 1, 2021 meetings were provided to members. Motion by Murphy, second by Campell to approve minutes. Voting Aye: Blessing, Campbell, Murphy. Voting Nay: None. Motion Carried.

Payment of Bills – Motion by Blessing, second by Campbell to approve the payment of bills. Voting Aye: Blessing, Campbell, Murphy. Voting Nay: None. Motion Carried.

Water/Waste Water Report- provided by Milke: ☐ Had a power loss at the wells due to OPPD issues and had to replace a motor saver in Well #2 on the 10th. Had to have the SPAN on well #2 reset by HOA. I have received 62% return rate of the Cross Connection Surveys that I sent out. I was hoping to get at least 70%. If anyone still has them please return them in the envelope supplied or return to City Hall. Cleaned Several sewer mains with jet truck,

Utility Foremen’s Report – Doug Goracke & Mike Davison provided the report. AMI Gateway monitoring continues. All but about 60 meters installed and operating, rest are on order. Conducted our first billing from AMI.... very good results. Water portion of AMI is on order, we will start installation as soon as they arrive. Outage in the middle of town last Monday evening, approximately 60 customers affected. (wire down). Need to repair/replace coil in one of the switches in the Old Buss building. Generated about 20 hours parallel to OPPD during the cold snap. All went great.

Discussion on changes to the Utility Billing Cycle. With the new AMI system, the billing cycle will be transitioning to a new monthly due date of the 20<sup>th</sup> of each month. Letters informing all utility customers will be mailed out about the transition and changes and timeline.

Review returning seasonal workers and set wage, \$12.86/hr. Motion by Blessing, Second by Murphy to renew CRP Contract. Voting Aye: Blessing, Campbell, Murphy. Voting Nay: None. Motion Carried.

Consider CRP Contract Renewal or Cash Rent options at wells. Motion by Campbell, Second by Murphy to hire returning seasonal workers at \$12.86/hr. Voting Aye: Blessing, Campbell, Murphy. Voting Nay: None. Motion Carried.

Meeting adjourned at 5:12 p.m.

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Janelle Moran, City Clerk

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Dan Blessing, Chairman