

Board of Public Works
Meeting Minutes
January 11, 2016

The Board of Public Works of the City of Broken Bow, Nebraska met in the regular session on Monday, January 11th, 2016. Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof as required by law. Availability of the agenda and related materials was communicated in advance to the members of the Board of Public Works, the Electric Superintendent and the Water/Sewer Superintendent. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

Chairman Gene Chapin called the meeting to order at 12:30 p.m., with the following Board members present: Gene Chapin, Jess Taylor, and Butch Brunken. Absent: Bill Blackburn and Wes Province. Gene Chapin informed the Board that this was a meeting of the Board of Public Works and was subject to the open meeting laws of the State of Nebraska, a copy of which is posted at the back of the City Council room.

Moved by Brunken, seconded by Taylor to approve the Consent Agenda for the January 11th, 2016. Said motion includes approval of the Minutes of the December 28th, 2015 Board Meeting, Treasurer's Report and approval of Claims to Date. Roll call vote: Voting aye: Brunken, Taylor, and Chapin. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Ag & Industrial Equipment 348.91; Arrow Seed Company, Inc. 16.04; Beaver Bearing Company 75.10; Bill's Auto Service 294.14; Bob's Truck Repair 495.33; Central Nebraska Medical Clinic 55.00; City of Broken Bow 46,490.56; City of Broken Bow Payroll Reimbursement 34,021.46; Craig Cranwell 13.87; Custer County Chief 55.73; Custer Public Power District 4,066.92; Dana F. Cole & Company, LLP 1,365.00; Dutton-Lainson Company 1,410.25; Grocery Kart 217.63; Holmes Plbg & Htg Supply Co. 248.75; Invoice Cloud 160.65; League of Nebr. Municipalities 1,070.00; Markham Construction 2,000.00; Mead Lumber 3,103.03; Municipal Pipe Services, Inc 6,521.69; Nebraska Rural Water Assoc. 250.00; Nebraska State Bank 57,434.00; Nebraska Water Resources Assoc. 105.00; Nate Bell 66.66; One Call Concepts, Inc 27.25; Paulsen, Inc. 5,890.50; Plains Equipment Group 3.84; Pracht's Ace Hardware, Inc. 431.50; Regional Care, Inc. 11,612.49; Ryan Jones 126.92; S & L Sanitary Services 40.75; Safety-Kleen Systems, Inc. 95.92; Doug Staab 2,763.17; Tallgrass Interstate GT, LC 2,424.02; Trotter Service 1,062.38; Wesco Receivables Corp. 1,995.49; Western Area Power Admin. 26,075.85; Total Bills = \$212,435.80.

Approval of Claims – January 11th, 2016

Electric Department	\$	161,856.48
Water Department		19,650.85
Sewer Department		13,562.54
Power Plant		6,403.90
Billing		<u>10,962.03</u>
	\$	212,435.80

Dana Petersen from Front Water Engineering gave an Engineering Update on Well #12. He showed the Board different options for the well. There are four options. They are decommission the well and abandon the site, install a liner and rebuild the pump, decommission the well and re-drill at the current site, or decommission the well and drill a new well at a new site. Decommissioning the well and abandoning the site is not an option. The last three options have pros and cons. Lining the well would be the quickest and least expensive fix, but once it is lined it can't be fixed again. If the screens get plugged, it can't be cleaned as well either. Also the well would be less efficient because there would be head loss and take more power to pump. Re-drilling the well would be the second fastest option. Drilling close to the old site would allow use of the old pump house. The old pump house would have to be extended. The last option of a new well in a new location will be the most costly and take the longest amount of time.

Doug presented the information from the 2014 Electric Rate Study. The Rate Study shows where we stand on rates compared to 139 members of the NMPP electrical customers. Our rates are better than half of the rates in this study. He is hoping to review our rates in April, but he stated that in October there will likely be a 3% increase in rates.

The following was discussed under Department Heads Updates:

Doug Staab, Electric Superintendent:

- Doug reported that the B-D substation is up and running. There is one circuit left, but that will have to wait for the weather.
- Dennis Brakeman retired on December 31st, 2015. He is advertising the position in house first. He is looking for a licensed journeyman so the pay will probably have to be higher than it has been before. He is hoping to have someone hired by the end of February or beginning of March.

Darren Marten, Water/Sewer Superintendent:

- Darren reported that Myers Construction has the steel casing under 10th Avenue and will continue under the creek on 9th Avenue and 10th Avenue.
- Darren said that the Sargent lift station at the Fairgrounds is being decommissioned.
- The water for Vettors was fed from Well #13 so they can have water if they need it. The rest of the work there will be finished next spring or fall.

At the next meeting on January 25th, Well #12 will be discussed.

Moved by Brunken, seconded by Taylor to adjourn the meeting at 1:38 p.m. Roll call vote:
Ayes: Taylor, Chapin, and Brunken. Nays: None. Motion carried.

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/s/Gene Chapin, Chairman