

Board of Public Works
Regular Meeting
August 10, 2021

A regular meeting of the Board of Public Works was convened in open and public session at 5:00 p.m. on August 10, 2021, in the City Council Chambers 223 S Chestnut St. Board members Porter, Evertson, Coleman, and Brown were in attendance. Absent: Fossand. Also attending were Wastewater Treatment Operator Wagner, Interim Admin./Electric Superintendent Hinton, Water Department Operator Casey Hottell and Lance Winters, Landfill Superintendent Schulte, Deputy Treasurer/Utility Office Manager Jean Klassen, and City Clerk/Treasurer Brower. The public was represented.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance by publication in the Western Nebraska Observer. Notice of the meeting was given to the members and a copy of their acknowledgement of receipt of notice and the agenda is on record at the office of the City Clerk. Availability of the agenda was communicated in advance notice and in the notice to the members. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public. Chairperson Porter called the meeting to order at 5:09 p.m. and acknowledged the posted Open Meetings Act poster.

Motion by Evertson and seconded by Coleman to accept the consent agenda items as presented for July 2021. The following votes were recorded on the electronic voting board. Aye: Coleman, Evertson, Brown and Porter. Nay: None. Absent: Fossand. Motion passed.

Discussion held on power territory boundary set by the Power Review Board.

Porter invited Dianne Pruett to speak regarding a request for 3-phase electric service to 3775 W Hwy 30. Discussions held on easements and requested service to the property for irrigation.

Porter opened discussion on the approval of Resolution 2021-07 Establishing Rates for Equipment and Services as amended. Motion by Coleman seconded by Brown for approval of Resolution 2021-07. The following votes were recorded on the electronic voting board. Aye: Coleman, Evertson, Fossand, Brown and Porter. Nay: None. Absent: None. Motion passed.

Board received draft 2021-2022 budgets from all Utility departments and 1-&5-year plans from Water, Electric and Landfill.

Porter opened the floor for Superintendent updates: Landfill Superintendent advised the track loader is being repaired. Loader tires have been shipped off to be foam-filled. 20 dumpsters have been refurbished and another 20 have been sent off for repair. Recent repairs made to air conditioning on the trash truck.

Water Department Hottell advised they have been working on repairs to manholes and curb stops around town and sewer maintenance. Porter asked if there is a gate valve exerciser program getting worked on.

Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator Wagner advised there are waiting on the mixer repairs being done in Denver. Waiting on information on the MCC updates, 2017 repairs were only for the digital automation side and the automatic transfer switch on the generator. Paul Reed Construction looking at the broken clay pipe discharge/outfall pipe.

Electric Superintendent Hinton advised they have been busy helping with lots of upgrades to residential services and rebuilding meters and electric at the Stahla Mobile Home Park.

Next regular meeting will be September 14, 2021, at 5:00 p.m. There being no further business, Evertson moved and seconded by Coleman to adjourn the meeting at 6:15 p.m. The following votes were recorded on the electronic voting board. Aye: Coleman, Evertson, Fossand, Brown and Porter. Nay: None. Absent: None. Motion passed.

Sonny Porter, Chairperson

Annette Brower, City Clerk