

Board of Public Works  
Regular Meeting  
December 16, 2022

A regular meeting of the Board of Public Works was convened in open and public session at 5:05 p.m. on December 16, at the City Council Chambers, 223 S Chestnut St. Board members Porter, Evertson, Cederburg, Brown and Fossand were in attendance. Absent: None. Also attending were Electric Superintendent Bill Hinton, Electric Lineman Taylor Brown, WWTP Supervisor Blake Wagner, Landfill Superintendent Jim Schulte, City Administrator Annette Brower, and City Treasurer Jean Klassen. The public was represented.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance by publication in the Western Nebraska Observer and in advance by postings at Points West Community Bank, FirstTier Bank, and the City of Kimball Office for the reschedule of the meeting due to the blizzard. 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 5:05 p.m. and acknowledged the posted Open Meetings Act poster.

Motion by Evertson and seconded by Fossand to approve the consent agenda items as presented including minutes for November 8, 2022. The following votes were recorded. Aye: Fossand, Porter, Brown and Evertson. Abstain: Cederburg. Nay: None. Absent: None. Motion passed.

Porter welcomed new board member Jim Cederburg.

Porter opened a discussion for approval on proposal for requested electrical distribution system mapping update services for the City of Kimball from MC Schaff. After discussion, motion by Evertson and seconded by Brown to approve the on proposal for requested electrical distribution system mapping update services for the City of Kimball from MC Schaff. The following votes were recorded. Aye: Fossand, Cederburg, Porter, Brown and Evertson. Nay: None. Absent: None. Motion passed.

Porter opened discussion for approval of extended warranty for new generators as suggested by PowerTech. After discussion, motion by Evertson and seconded by Fossand to not approve the extended warranty for new generators as suggested by PowerTech. The following votes were recorded. Aye: Fossand, Cederburg, Porter, Brown and Evertson. Nay: None. Absent: None. Motion passed.

Porter opened discussion for approval of boiler repairs for Electric Shop by Independent Plumbing & Heating. After discussion, motion by Fossand and seconded by Evertson to approve boiler repairs for Electric Shop by Independent Plumbing & Heating. The following votes were recorded. Aye: Fossand, Cederburg, Porter, Brown and Evertson. Nay: None. Absent: None. Motion passed.

Porter opened discussion for approval on the purchase of dumpsters from 5 Star Industries LLC & EJS Supply. After discussion, Motion by Brown and seconded by Cederburg to approve purchase of dumpsters from 5 Star Industries LLC & EJS Supply. The following votes were recorded. Aye: Fossand, Cederburg, Porter, Brown and Evertson. Nay: None. Absent: None. Motion passed.

Porter opened discussion for approval on fencing for Wastewater Treatment Plant from VanPelt Fencing. After discussion, motion by Evertson and seconded by Cederburg to approve fencing for Wastewater Treatment Plant from VanPelt Fencing for \$18, 518.50. The following votes were recorded. Aye: Fossand, Cederburg, Porter, Brown and Evertson. Nay: None. Absent: None. Motion passed.

Porter opened the floor for Superintendent updates.

Electric Superintendent Hinton updated that they are continuing work on the Hospital and feed change over; the contract crew at the hospital has been great to work with and communications are good. DG Farm Market is also being worked on to energize around the first of the year. The board commended the electric crew for keeping the system maintained so that we had zero power outages during a 2-day blizzard.

Landfill Superintendent Schulte updated that the new trailer should be done in next two weeks, crew will need to drive to Lincoln to pick it up. New refuge driver is going great and has now placed the route on a map in the truck's iPad so anyone can jump into the truck and follow the route accordingly. Sixteen dumpsters have been repaired and repainted.

WWTP Supervisor Wagner updated the board with a power point to discuss efficiency test and reporting for the 2022 year. Wagner also updated on the new portion of the West side property fencing that was completed during the past year.

Water department update given by Administrator Brower that Cahoy was still in the process of finalizing the repairs to the North well, however, due to the recent blizzard and freezing temperatures the repair operations have been put on temporary hold.

Porter opened discussion on the updates and financials received from Spud Rowley – Kimball Recycling/Keep Kimball Beautiful. Spud updated the board on grants, upcoming plans

City Administrator Brower updated that the power generation design build package is nearing completion and will be in front of the board at the January meeting followed by Council approval. This will then go to an 8-week bid process. Brower also advised that the City has placed a hold on a spot for a chassis for a new bucket truck in the future. Waiting time for the chassis is 3 years so getting in line now was pertinent; placing the City on the list does not hold the City to purchasing a truck. Brower thanked all of the crews for their response and teamwork during the blizzard stating that it was all-hands-on deck, and everyone came through when and where needed to keep the town cleared of snow.

Next regular meeting will be January 10, 2023, at 5:00 p.m. There being no further business, Evertson moved and seconded by Brown to adjourn the meeting at 6:56 p.m. The following votes were recorded. Aye: Fossand, Cederburg, Porter, Brown and Evertson. Nay: None. Absent: None. Motion passed.

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Sonny Porter, Chairperson

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Annette Brower, Acting City Clerk