Board of Public Works
Regular Meeting
January 13, 2026

EDITED FOR PUBLICATION

A regular meeting of the Board of Public Works was convened in open and public session at 5:00 pm on January 13, 2026, at the City Council Chambers, 223 S Chestnut St. Board members Jim Cederburg, Deb Evertson, Jack Shaw, Nicholas Barp and Tim Carlson were in attendance. Also attending were WWTP Supervisor Blake Wagner, Electric Department Supervisor William Hinton, Water Department Supervisor Craig Aragon, Landfill Supervisor Jim Schulte, City Administrator Annette Brower, City Clerk Paula Tarango, and City Treasurer Jean Klassen. The public was not 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 city 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 convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

Cederburg called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. On the roll call the following members were present: Carlson, Cederburg, Barp, Shaw, and Evertson.

Cederburg acknowledged the posted Open Meetings Act.

Motion by Evertson, seconded by Carlson to approve the consent agenda items as presented which include the Minutes, Bills, Treasurer's Reports, and Financial Reports. The following votes were recorded: Aye: Carlson, Cederburg, Barp, Evertson, and Shaw. Nay: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Wastewater Treatment Plant Supervisor Blake Wagner presented the annual wastewater treatment plant update. The presentation covered a range of topics, including influent and effluent levels of ammonia, CBOD, TSS (Total Suspended Solids), phosphorus, biosolids, and monthly kilowatt usage, among other operational metrics. Wagner delivered a comprehensive PowerPoint presentation, and the Board actively participated by providing comments and asking questions. A copy of the full report is available at the City Clerk's office, located at 223 South Chestnut Street, Kimball, NE 69145.

Motion by Shaw, seconded by Evertson to approve the signature resolution for First Tier Bank from all Board of Public Works board members. The following votes were recorded:

Aye: Carlson, Cederburg, Barp, Evertson, and Shaw. Nay: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Reports –

City Administrator – Annette Brower: Addressed concerns regarding the new landfill rates, noting that there has been significant public discussion. She presented the board with an updated flyer outlining the new rates, which is also posted on the city's Facebook page, and has been distributed to the media. While the wording had not changed, some confusion arose regarding gate fees and other details. Brower explained the updates on the flyer, clarifying the meaning of the rates, and stated that the flyer had been revised to make it more understandable for the public. She provided an update on the Clean Harbors Lighthouse Subdivision, noting that installation of water and sewer infrastructure is underway with SNELL contracted for the work. Brower reported that air permit testing for the new generator will be conducted at the end of the month, with NMPP and NMC assisting; testing is expected to take approximately one week and will include multiple procedures. Tomorrow morning there will be a meeting with Gering, they will be joining us here to begin discussions on numbers and what the options are to partner with their landfill, this is not a public meeting. Additionally, the annual State Revolving Fund survey has been completed. Brower provided further miscellaneous updates to the board

Bill Hinton – Electric Department Supervisor – Our crew has been working at the Lighthouse Subdivision; the next project will be to put wire in the innerduct out there.

Craig Aragon – Water Department Supervisor - We met with Randy from SNELL to verify pipe sizes and quantities, emphasizing that all work must follow State-approved maps for the Lighthouse Subdivision. Bulk water will be available at the department shop, placing hydrants was rejected due to better flow with one location. Work on water meters continues, with 340 currently offline; Vision failed to notify the department of a software issue, which is now being addressed. Sewer maintenance for the season has begun.

Blake Wagner – Wastewater Treatment Plant Supervisor – We had some material delivered to the plant (pipe) We also have some covers coming in. Weather pending, we might be able to start back up on March 1st. We will be running our monthly discharge test within the next week or so. Additional updates given.

Jim Schulte – Landfill Supervisor – We picked up 195,049lbs of recycle in 2025 and 5,005,860.00 of MSW came into the landfill. Scales are working well at the landfill; we are still training ourselves on it to keep a good flow. Still working on putting up all the appropriate signage at the landfill, currently waiting on a few more to come in. Waiting for the C&D permit to be finalized.

Public Comment – No public comments.

Next regular meeting will be February 10, 2026, at 5:00 pm. There being no further business, Shaw motioned and seconded by Carlson to adjourn the meeting at 5:31 pm. The following votes were recorded: Aye: Carlson, Cederburg, Evertson, and Barp. Nay: None. Absent: Shaw. Motion carried.

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Jim Cederburg, Chairperson City Clerk

Utilities-Board of Public Works-Claims January 13, 2026-Brandt Appraisal Company Incorporated-Services-3,571.45; Heartland Expressway Association-Membership-412.20; MEAN-Mean Billing-134,524.71; Pine Bluffs Gravel & Excavating, Incorported-Supplies-3,933.20; Quadient Leasing USA, Incorporated-Lease-615.00; Visa-Firstier Bank-Charges-1,393.76; Black Hills Energy, LLC-Gas Service-399.06; Verizon-Telephone-89.73; Black Hills Energy, LLC-Gas Service-690.16; Charter Communications-Internet-220.01; Staples-Supplies-92.36; High West Energy-Utilities-8,804.00; City of Kimball-Occupation Tax-12,579.31; Payroll Fund-Payroll Transfer-71,649.66; CenturyLink-Telephone-109.00; Betty Moore Estate-Refund-40.28; GreatAmerica Financial Services Corporation-Lease-473.13; GreatAmerica Financial Services Corporation-Property Tax-22.68; A.S.A.P.-Shipping-15.55; Brown Pump & Septic-Services-9,968.00; Centurylink Communications, Incorporated-Long Distance-86.89; Charter Communications-Internet-220.01; City of Kimball-Occupation Tax-12,974.01; Combined Utilities-Utilities-206.12; Connecting Point-Copy Usage-381.81; Credit Management Services, Incorporation-Collection-54.95; Crescent Electric Supply Company-Supplies-1,363.97; DHHS-Accounting-Refund-633.74; Tyler Day-Refund-41.71; Dollar General Corporation-Supplies-249.78; Shelby Dressel-Refund-90.82; Ellison, Kovarik & Turman Law Firm-Professional Services-2,223.45; Enviro Service Incorporated-Water Samples-90.00; Frenchman Valley Coop-Supplies-140.80; Ideal Linen Supply, Incorporated-Services-200.56; Intralinks, Incorporated-Services-956.16; Intralinks, Incorporated-Services-617.33; Intralinks, Incorporated-Services-580.00; Kimball Ace Hardware LLC-Supplies-18.39; Kimball Ace Hardware LLC-Supplies-382.65; Kimball Auto Parts-Supplies-703.73; Kimball County Hospital-Drug Screen-328.12; Kimball Recycling-Monthly Support-5,596.50; Kimball Service Center-Repairs-65.00; LARM-Insurance-500.00; Legacy Cooperative-Fuel-1,744.77; Legacy Cooperative-Supplies-24.28; M.C. Schaff & Associates, Incorporated-Services-3,300.00; MASA-Insurance-222.67; MASA-Insurance-71.11; Nicholas Meza-Refund-103.87; NMC, LLC-Services-795,013.92; Napa Auto Parts-Supplies-745.23; Nebraska Generator Service LLC-Inspection-925.96; Nebraska Public Health Enviro Lab-Water Samples-241.00; Northwest Pipe Fitting, Incorporated of Scottsbluff-Supplies-1,350.28; Olsson, Incorporated-Services-4,450.19; One Call Concepts-Locates-14.21; Payroll Fund-Payroll Transfer-71,035.30; Jorge A or Sebastian Portillo-Refund-22.81; Powerplan-Repairs-266.48; Prestige Welding & Repair-Services-3,186.94; Sandberg Implement Incorporated-Supplies-709.21; Snell Services, Incorporated-Supplies-963.08; Southwestern Equipment Company-Supplies-871.27; The Right Impression-Services-275.00; Time Management Systems, Incorporated-Services-1,616.16; USA Blue Book-Supplies-940.78; Verizon-Telephone-89.64; Viaero-Cell Phone-349.81; Vistabeam-Services-327.60; Wesco Distribution Receivables Corporation-Supplies-4,025.54; Western Nebraska Observer-Meeting Notices-329.23; Western Nebraska Observer-Meeting Notices-130.44; David Wills-Refund-27.34.