Board of Public Works
Regular Meeting
June 9, 2026

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A regular meeting of the Board of Public Works was convened in open and public session at 5:00 pm on June 9, 2026, at the City Council Chambers, 223 S Chestnut St. Board members Jim Cederburg, Jack Shaw, Nicholas Barp and Tim Carlson were in attendance. Also attending were WWTP Supervisor Blake Wagner, Water Department Supervisor Craig Aragon, Landfill Supervisor Jim Schulte, City Administrator Annette Brower (via Zoom), City Treasurer Jean Klassen and Deputy City Clerk Rosa-Ellen Williams. 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 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, and Shaw.

Cederburg acknowledged the posted Open Meetings Act.

Motion by Shaw, seconded by Carlson to excuse the absence of board member Deb Evertson who was absent due to prior commitments. The following votes were recorded: Aye: Carlson, Cederburg, Barp, and Shaw. Nay: None. Absent: Evertson. Motion carried.

Motion by Barp, seconded by Carlson to approve the consent agenda items as presented which included minutes), claims, and financials. The following votes were recorded: Aye: Carlson, Cederburg, Barp, and Shaw. Nay: None. Absent: Everson. Motion carried.

An update for WWTP stated that majority of the work is electrical. They have fixed the wall where they took a door out to put the new generation in. The hydro plane and rails for the catwalk are in, just waiting for the clarifier to arrive. Motion by Carlson,

seconded by Barp to recommend to Council, the approval of the Pay app #10 – Hackle Construction for the WWTP Improvements in the amount of $84,551.03 The following votes were recorded: Aye: Carlson, Cederburg, Barp, and Shaw. Nay: None. Absent: Evertson. Motion carried.

Hottell led the discussion on getting twenty covers that will fit over the touch reads we currently have from Core & Main. The staff would be able to pick locations, looking at where we have consistently had issues with the Vision meters reporting from. Also divide them equally between ten inside homes, and ten in pits. Questions arose about how long the test period is, can we run it through the seasons, especially winter. Hottell understands that once we buy them, they are ours, just need to discuss with company how to get the reads etc. without a contract in place. Board wants to be cautious so that we can test these and ensure they will work as we need them to. Motion by Carlson, seconded by Barp to proceed with the twenty units for a trial period. The following votes were recorded: Aye: Carlson, Cederburg, Barp, and Shaw. Nay: None. Absent: Evertson. Motion carried.

Royce Olander and Dan Manion of NMC/CAT reported on the final completion at the generator power plant. There are four items to still be done from the punch list that should be completed this week. The only lingering issue is the paint on the stack, which is under warranty. The issue they are running into is that they have had four companies look at it for bidding and they have all declined. The issue they are running into is that they have had four companies look at the project for bidding, and all four have declined. The companies stated that the work would require operating a lift with the boom extended over the building and at a significant height, creating safety concerns and making the project difficult to complete. Board discussed making the last payment, holding it until work is completed or paying a portion until the stack painting has been resolved. Motion by Carlson, seconded by Shaw to pay the NMC Cat Final Substantial Completion Invoice pending completion of the punch list items, excluding the paint on the stack, for $198,753.48. The following votes were recorded: Aye: Carlson, Cederburg, Barp, and Shaw. Nay: None. Absent: Evertson. Motion carried.

The board continued discussion on the six-year preventive maintenance contract from NMC CAT agreement for Power Plant Generation. The first graph shows a breakdown of work done each year by engine and the total for all four engines. Manion stated that the bulk of the cost is from parts and labor. Signing the contract would lock these prices for the full six years.

Barb stated he looked up information on these generators and would like to know if these costs are based on calendar year or by running time. His research work is done about the 250-hour mark and thus far the city has only put about 15 hours on the

generators. Discussion was held on changing the plan to have work done every two years or on oil samples. Manion indicated the plan was based on the recommended suggestions for these generators.

Brown reported that, Chirs Thompsen has shown them where the filters are and how to change them. We could send oil & coolant samples, if the samples show no signs of issues, then they recommend changing the oil and filters every three years. Panhandle Coop would be able to pump the old oil out, pump in the new old and handle disposing of the old. If there are significant issues would call a service call, other wise seems like a lot of money based on seventeen hours of running time per year.

Discussion turned to performing valve adjustments that would "reset" the time. Brown said the electric crew could handle the oil and filter changes but would prefer to have someone who works on them regularly handle the valve adjustments. The department does have a plan in place should they "need" to handle it quickly the board agreed with having outside sources to do this work. Brown did provide a schedule that he had come up with as well.

Olander stated that by doing this contract vs a year-by-year service call would lock in the prices and help with budget as you would know how much you would spend each year, barring serious issues. Contract would start in the fall of 2026. No valve adjustment has been made since the City of Kimball purchased the generators. One generator is at about 1,000 hours and the other three are close to that. These are preventative procedures; a valve replacement is about $52,000.00 currently. Barp inquired if we could push this out to the start of our budget year, then do the valve adjustment we could go based on hours and not Calander year.

Brower asked if the cost of the maintenance contract needed to be paid at the beginning of it. Manion stated no, that if we do PM1 then the cost is $660.50 per engine, then when we do PM3 the cost is $4,241.00 per engine. Another option would be to break it down into monthly/yearly payments of $1,346.61/$16,159.34.

Regarding Fresh Water Generators, Manion said they could do a similar set up, the cost provided is just an estimate as they did not have all the required information. Motion by Carlson was seconded by Barp to table the discussion/decision on the proposals for annual maintenance agreements from NMC Cat until the next meeting. The following votes were recorded: Aye: Carlson, Cederburg, Barp, and Shaw. Nay: None. Absent: Evertson. Motion carried.

Reports –

Taylor Brown - Electric – Working on finishing a few things at the lighthouse subdivision and getting quotes for a new generator. The new lights for the city park have arrived and will hopefully have them up by the end of the week.

Blake Wagner – WWTP Supervisor – Waiting on parts. Electrician bank nest week. The new grass is starting to grow. Zeb has been helping with the landfill. Wagner stated that there were no bids for the old generator and is concerned about leaving it out. Brower stated they many be able to donate it to the fire department, as we've learned is the command central in case of an emergency and currently do not have one.

Jim Schulte – Landfill Supervisor – Report was listed at the end of the packets but to hit a few things. New trash truck is due to be delivered mid-September 2026. The 2016 trash truck is down due to a broken lift pin & upper lift link. The landfill dump truck is at Norbergs to have the clutch fan and radiator replaced. Thankfully the street department sent out "big red" so that we could keep hauling dirt for the MSW cover. Will be adding a second bell, so staff know when someone has pulled up on the scale. Repaired and painted 8 dumpsters last month. Staff sprayed for weeds and started to dig for a second burn pit.

Casey Hottell – Water – Turning valves and flushing hydrants. Pool is up and going. Craig is out until next month.

Annette Brower – City Administrator – Working with DC and a grant for a military coordinator. Military Museum has contacted us about getting the missile. We would need to break it down and put pieces on pallets for shipping. Working on getting a Browns Field study done on the old WWTP site. This study is done for free and once completed will protect the city from things that could be discovered down the road and hurting us. Received word that the rehab work for the water tank has been pushed back until the end of July.

Public Comment – No public comments.

Next regular meeting will be July 14, 2026, at 5:00 pm. There being no further business, motion by Carlson, and seconded by Barp to adjourn the meeting at 6:08 pm. The following votes were recorded: Aye: Carlson, Cederburg, Shaw, and Barp. Nay: None. Absent: Evertson. Motion carried.

Jim Cederburg, Chairperson

City Clerk

Utilities-Board of Public Works-Claims June 9, 2026-Norberg Auto & Diesel Incorporation-Repairs-557.65; Dollar General Corporation-Supplies-52.18; Legacy Cooperative-Supplies-58.88; Nebraska Public Health Enviro Lab-Samples-241.00; Western Nebraska Observer-Meeting Notices-17.58; Black Hills Energy, LLC-Gas Service-611.16; CenturyLink-Telephone-108.71-Charter Communications-Internet-220.01; Legacy Cooperative-Fuel-15,311.10; Visa-Firstier Bank-Charges-133.78; Kimball County Hospital-Drug Screen-46.31; MASA-Medical Air Services Association-Services-222.66; Hackel Construction, Incorporation-Services-587,233.00; John Morrison-Expense Report-182.48; BARR Engineering Company-Services-1,165.00; Annette Brower-Expense Report-268.63; CCL Supply, LLC-Supplies-2,244.96; Centurylink Communications, Incorporation-Long Distance-86.42; Chevrolet of Kimball LLC-Services-118.10; City of Kimball-Occupation Tax-13,214.04; City of Kimball-Transfer-100.00; Combined Utilities-Utilities-201.70; Connecting Point-Copy Usage-424.76; Contractors Materials, Incorporation-Supplies-135.00; Crescent Electric Supply Company-Supplies-1,172.71; Display Sales Company-Supplies-1,422.00; Enviro Service Incorporated-Samples-90.00; Grainger-Supplies-2.29; GreatAmerica Financial Services Corporation-Lease-473.13; Ideal Linen Supply, Incorporated-Services-103.77; Intralinks, Incorporated-Services-878.52; Intralinks, Incorporated-Services-427.23; James Vann Rental-Refund-97.74; Johnson Service Company-Services-16,000.00; Kimball Ace Hardware LLC-Supplies-338.12; Kimball Ace Hardware LLC-Supplies-460.80; Kimball Auto Parts-Supplies-2,014.52; Kimball Recycling-Monthly Support-5,596.50; Legacy Cooperative-Fuel-4,219.84; Legacy Cooperative-Supplies-72.80; MEAN-Mean Billing-131,755.30; MainStreet Designs, Incorporated-Services-1,495.00; Napa Auto Parts-Supplies-123.58; Nebraska Rural Water Association-Services-400.00; Northwest Pipe Fitting, Incorporation of Scottsbluff-Supplies-21,660.46; Olsson, Incorporation-Services-208.00; Olsson, Incorporation-Services-34,111.25; Olsson, Incorporation-Services-104.00; One Call Concepts-Locates-69.89; Payroll Fund-Payroll Transfer-75,466.22; Powerplan-Repairs-2,138.76; Sandberg Implement Incorporated-Supplies-315.70; USA Blue Book-Supplies-343.51; Union Bank & Trust Company-Services-1,020.00; Verizon-Telephone-89.43; Viaero-Cell Phone-281.53; Wesco Distribution Receivables Corporation-Supplies-1,076.72; Western Nebraska Observer-Meeting Notices-477.63; Wyoming First Aid & Safety Supply, LLC-Supplies-413.73.