

METROPOLITAN UTILITIES DISTRICT
Regular Meeting

9:00 a.m.

November 23, 2011

AGENDA

1. Roll Call
2. Open Meetings Act Notice
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Approval of Minutes - Regular Board Meeting, November 2, 2011
5. Jeff Villotta, 5024 William St.

- C & O** 6. Capital Expenditures for Approval
7. Bids on Materials and Contracts
8. Acceptance of Contract and Payment of Final Estimates

- J & L** 9. Legislative Report

- I & P** 10. Renewal of LNG/Propane Caverns Plant and Contents Insurance
11. Renewal of Construction Equipment Insurance

- AEF&R** 12. Charge-off of 2009 Uncollectible Accounts
 - a. Gas Department (RESOLUTION)
 - b. Water Department (RESOLUTION)

- PERSONNEL** 13. Promotional Increases
14. Bargaining Unit Wage Reopener

- BOARD** 15. Other Matters of District Business for Discussion

METROPOLITAN UTILITIES DISTRICT OF OMAHA

MINUTES OF SPECIAL BOARD MEETING

November 23, 2011

The Board of Directors of the Metropolitan Utilities District of Omaha met in the Board Room of the Headquarters Building at 1723 Harney Street in special session at 9:13 a.m. on November 23, 2011.

Advance notice of the meeting was posted on the first floor of the Headquarters Building from November 2, 2011 to November 23, 2011. Notice of the meeting was published in the *Omaha World-Herald* on November 13, 2011. The agenda of the meeting was available for public inspection at the office of the Secretary and President and copies were delivered to Board Members on November 18, 2011.

AGENDA NO. 1

ROLL CALL

Vice-Chairperson McGowan called the meeting to order at 9:13 a.m. On roll call vote, the following members were present:

Jack Frost
Steve Patterson
Amy Lindsay
Tim Cavanaugh
Mike McGowan
Tom Dowd
Doug Clark, Secretary

Chairperson Friend was absent.

Also present were various members of the staff, representatives of Local Union IBEW #1521, and members of the public.

AGENDA NO. 2

OPEN MEETINGS ACT NOTICE

Vice-Chairperson McGowan advised those in attendance that a copy of the Open Meetings Act was posted in the back of the Board Room.

AGENDA NO. 3

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Vice-Chairperson McGowan welcomed those who cared to participate to stand and recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

AGENDA NO. 4

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING – NOVEMBER 2, 2011

Mr. Cavanaugh moved for approval of the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held November 2, which was seconded by Mr. Frost and carried on roll call vote.

Voting Aye: Frost, Patterson, Lindsay, Cavanaugh, McGowan, Dowd

Voting No: None

MINUTES FILE DOCUMENT NO. 136769

AGENDA NO. 5

JEFF VILLOTTA, 5024 WILLIAM ST.

Jeff Villotta, owner of a building at 5024 William Street, addressed the Board at the November 2, 2011 meeting requesting the District cover the total expense of moving gas pipes at the building at a cost of \$2,400. The Engineering Department had offered to split the cost and set up a low interest loan for Mr. Villotta's portion. Mr. McGowan asked that this matter be placed on the agenda of the November 23, 2011 Special Board Meeting for vote. No motion was made so the matter is left for Management's decision.

AGENDA NO. 6

CAPITAL EXPENDITURES FOR APPROVAL

Mr. Frost moved for approval of Mr. Keep's letter to the Committee dated November 14, 2011, which was seconded by Mrs. Lindsay and carried on roll call vote.

Voting Aye: Frost, Patterson, Lindsay, Cavanaugh, McGowan, Dowd

Voting No: None

MINUTES FILE DOCUMENT NO. 136770

AGENDA NO. 7

BIDS ON MATERIALS AND CONTRACTS

Mr. Frost moved for approval of the bids as set out in Mr. Goodwin's letter to the Committee dated November 15, 2011, which was seconded by Mrs. Lindsay and carried on roll call vote.

Voting Aye: Frost, Patterson, Lindsay, Cavanaugh, McGowan, Dowd

Voting No: None

MINUTES FILE DOCUMENT NO. 136771

AGENDA NO. 8

ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACTS AND PAYMENT OF FINAL ESTIMATES

Mr. Frost moved for approval of Mr. Keep's letter to the Committee dated November 10, 2011, which was seconded by Mrs. Lindsay and carried on roll call vote.

Voting Aye: Frost, Patterson, Lindsay, Cavanaugh, McGowan, Dowd
Voting No: None

MINUTES FILE DOCUMENT NO. 136772

AGENDA NO. 9
LEISLATIVE REPORT

Mr. Dowd moved for approval of Mr. Crouchley's letter to the Committee dated November 10, 2011, with the exception of the recommended changes to Section 14-2143, which was seconded by Mr. Cavanaugh and carried on roll call vote.

Voting Aye: Frost, Patterson, Lindsay, Cavanaugh, McGowan, Dowd
Voting No: None

MINUTES FILE DOCUMENT NO. 136773

AGENDA NO. 10
RENEWAL OF LNG/PROPANE CAVERNS PLANT AND CONTENTS INSURANCE

Mr. Dowd moved for approval of Mrs. Schneider's letter to the Committee dated November 14, 2011, which was seconded by Mr. Frost and carried on roll call vote.

Voting Aye: Frost, Patterson, Lindsay, Cavanaugh, McGowan, Dowd
Voting No: None

MINUTES FILE DOCUMENT NO. 136774

AGENDA NO. 11
RENEWAL OF CONSTRUCTION EQUIPMENT INSURANCE

Mr. Dowd moved for approval of Mrs. Schneider's letter to the Committee dated November 14, 2011, which was seconded by Mr. Frost and carried on roll call vote.

Voting Aye: Frost, Patterson, Lindsay, Cavanaugh, McGowan, Dowd
Voting No: None

MINUTES FILE DOCUMENT NO. 136775

AGENDA NO. 12
CHARGE-OFF OF 2009 UNCOLLECTIBLE ACCOUNTS

Mrs. Lindsay moved for approval of Mrs. Hale's letter to the Committee dated November 16, 2011, which was seconded by Mr. Cavanaugh and carried on roll call vote. Mr. Cavanaugh stated that in spite of the economy, trending is going the right way here.

Voting Aye: Frost, Patterson, Lindsay, Cavanaugh, McGowan, Dowd
Voting No: None

MINUTES FILE DOCUMENT NO. 136776

AGENDA NO. 13
PROMOTIONAL INCREASES

Mr. Dowd moved for approval of Mr. Hemschemeyer's letter of November 23, 2011 to the Committee, which was seconded by Mr. Patterson and carried on roll call vote.

Voting Aye: Frost, Patterson, Lindsay, Cavanaugh, McGowan, Dowd
Voting No: None

MINUTES FILE DOCUMENT NO. 136777

AGENDA NO. 14
BARGAINING UNIT WAGE REOPENER

Mr. Dowd moved for approval of Mr. Hemschemeyer's letter of November 10, 2011 to the Committee, which was seconded by Mr. Patterson and carried on roll call vote.

Voting Aye: Frost, Patterson, Lindsay, Cavanaugh, McGowan, Dowd
Voting No: None

MINUTES FILE DOCUMENT NO. 136778

AGENDA NO. 15
OTHER MATTERS OF DISTRICT BUSINESS FOR DISCUSSION

Vice-Chairperson McGowan asked if there were any other matters of District business for discussion. Mr. McGowan then stated that he would like Mr. Clark to have a self-assessment to the Board by December 23, 2011 and that the Board go into closed session at the January 2012 meeting for Mr. Clark's performance review. Mr. McGowan also reminded that 2012 Goals for Senior Management are due by yearend.

At 9:24 a.m., Mr. McGowan made a motion to adjourn which was seconded by Mr. Patterson and carried on roll call vote.

Voting Aye: Frost, Patterson, Lindsay, Cavanaugh, McGowan, Dowd
Voting No: None

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The meeting adjourned at 9:24 a.m.



Douglas R. Clark, Secretary

DRC/sms