

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

of the Public Utilities Commission, City of Hibbing, St. Louis County, Minnesota

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January 12, 2009

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Public Utilities Commission, Hibbing, Minnesota, held on January 12, 2009. Meeting called to order by Chairperson McGuire at 3:30 p.m., at the Hibbing Public Utilities, Hibbing, MN. Present were Chairperson McGuire; Commissioner Berklich; Commissioner Kleffman; Legal Counsel, Allen Jacobson; General Manager, Jason Fisher; Director of Finance & Commission Secretary, Kevin Gargano; Director of Power Production, Gary Myers; Director of Electrical Systems, John Carlson; Director of Engineering, Chuck Berg; Director of Utility Operations, Corey Lubovich; and Keith Johnson, IT Manager. Also in attendance was Curt Holcomb, Hibbing Public Access Television; Anna Kurth, Hibbing Daily Tribune; Larry Claude, and Mark Reger, Local 94 Employees.

Motion made by Commissioner Kleffman, supported by Commissioner Berklich, to approve the regular meeting minutes of December 23, 2008.

Motion carried unanimously.

The Commission reviewed the bills paid from December 19, 2008 through December 31, 2008, and made the following motion.

Motion by Commissioner Kleffman, supported by Commissioner Berklich that the bills paid from December 19, 2008 through December 31, 2008 in the amount of \$1,046,669.24 be approved.

Motion carried unanimously.

The Commission reviewed the payroll paid and overtime reports from December 13, 2008 through December 31, 2008 and made the following motion.

Motion by Commissioner Berklich, supported by Commissioner Kleffman that the payroll paid and overtime reports from December 19, 2008 through December 31, 2008 in the amount of \$185,973.84 be approved.

Motion carried unanimously.

The Commission reviewed the correspondence dated January 9, 2009 from J. Fisher regarding AMI Update placed in the Commission file.

No action taken.

The Commission reviewed the correspondence dated January 8, 2009, 2008 from G. Myers regarding Call for Public Bid No. 09-01: Front End Loader.

Motion by Commissioner Kleffman, supported by Commissioner Berklich to authorize G. Myers to solicit bids for a front end loader.

Motion carried unanimously.

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The Commission reviewed the correspondence dated January 6, 2009 from W. Smith regarding Retirement Notice: W. Smith, Line Crew Foreman.

Motion by Commissioner Berklich, supported by Commissioner Kleffman, to accept the retirement notice of Wayne Smith, Line Crew Foreman, and thank him for his 35+ years of service and wish him well in his future endeavors.

Motion carried unanimously.

The Commission reviewed the correspondence dated January 8, 2009 from G. Myers regarding Closed Session – Real Property.

Motion by Commissioner Berklich, supported by Commissioner Kleffman to enter into Closed Session at 4:19 p.m.

Present in the Closed Session were Chairperson McGuire, Commissioner Berklich; Commissioner Kleffman; Legal Counsel, Allen Jacobson; General Manager, Jason Fisher; Finance Director, Kevin Gargano; Director of Power Production, Gary Myers, Director of Engineering, Chuck Berg; and Director of Utility Operations, Corey Lubovich.

Motion by Commissioner Berklich, supported by Commissioner Kleffman, to return to Open Session at 4:36 p.m.

Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Commissioner Berklich, supported by Commissioner Kleffman, to adjourn the meeting at 5:03 p.m.

Motion carried unanimously.

The next regular Commission meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, January 27, 2009 at 3:30 p.m.

Attest:



Larry McGuire, Commission Chairperson



Kevin M. Gargano
Director of Finance & Commission Secretary