

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

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

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January 27, 2009

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Public Utilities Commission, Hibbing, Minnesota, held on January 27, 2009. Meeting called to order by Acting Chairperson Berklich at 3:30 p.m., at the Hibbing Public Utilities, Hibbing, MN. Present were 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; and Director of Utility Operations, Corey Lubovich. Also in attendance was Tom Roach, Hibbing Public Access Television; Anna Kurth, Hibbing Daily Tribune; Larry Claude, Jeff Stokes, and Esko Savela, Local 94 Employees; Michael Vesel, Lora Banks, Michael Pistilli and Brenda Shiek, citizens. Absent from the Meeting was Chairperson McGuire.

Motion made by Commissioner Kleffman, supported by Commissioner Berklich, to approve the regular meeting minutes of January 12, 2009.

Motion carried unanimously.

The Commission reviewed the bills paid from January 9, 2009 through January 16, 2009, and made the following motion.

Motion by Commissioner Kleffman, supported by Commissioner Berklich that the bills paid from January 9, 2009 through January 16, 2009 in the amount of \$877,268.07 be approved.

Motion carried unanimously.

The Commission reviewed the payroll paid and overtime reports from January 1, 2009 through January 15, 2009 and made the following motion.

Motion by Commissioner Kleffman, supported by Commissioner Berklich that the payroll paid and overtime reports from January 1, 2009 through January 15, 2009 in the amount of \$179,016.26 be approved.

Motion carried unanimously.

The Commission reviewed the correspondence dated January 20, 2009 from C. Berg regarding Request for Approval & Posting of Tabled Sr. Design Engineer Technician Position.

Motion by Commissioner Kleffman, supported by Commissioner Berklich to table the request for approval and posting of tabled Senior Design Engineering Technician.

Motion carried unanimously.

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The Commission reviewed the correspondence dated January 20, 2009, from C. Berg regarding Job Posting 08-09: Journeyman Instrumentation Technician.

Motion by Commissioner Kleffman, supported by Commissioner Berklich to table the Job Posting 08-09: Journeyman Instrumentation Technician.

Motion carried unanimously.

The Commission reviewed the correspondence dated January 22, 2009 from J. Carlson regarding Job Posting 08-01: Lead Lineman.

Motion by Commissioner Kleffman, supported by Commissioner Berklich, to approve Job Posting 08-01: lead Lineman and award to the senior qualified candidate.

Motion carried unanimously.

The Commission reviewed the correspondence dated January 23, 2009 from J. Fisher regarding Heat Foreman and Heat Department Lead.

Motion by Commissioner Kleffman, supported by Commissioner Berklich to approve Head Foreman and Heat Department Lead to the senior qualified candidates effective January 28, 200, and to post for an Apprentice Heat Mechanic.

Motion carried unanimously.

The Commission reviewed the correspondence dated January 20, 2009 from J. Carlson regarding Line Crew Manpower Deficiency and placed in Commission file.

No action taken.

The Commission reviewed the correspondence dated January 13, 2009 from the Iron Range Association of Municipalities and School and placed it in the Commission file.

No action taken.

Motion by Commissioner Kleffman, supported by Commissioner Berklich, to adjourn the meeting at 4:27 p.m.

Motion carried unanimously.

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*The next regular Commission meeting is scheduled for Tuesday,
February 10, 2009 at 3:30 p.m.*

Attest:



John Berklich, Acting Commission Chairperson



Kevin M. Gargano
Director of Finance & Commission Secretary

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