

# MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

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

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February 23, 2009

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Public Utilities Commission, Hibbing, Minnesota, held on February 23, 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 Electrical Systems, John Carlson; Director of Engineering, Chuck Berg; and Director of Utility Operations, Corey Lubovich. Also in attendance was Curt Holcomb, Hibbing Public Access Television; Anna Kurth, Hibbing Daily Tribune; Larry Claude and Mark Reger and Esko Savela, Local 94 Employees. Absent from the meeting was Director of Power Production, Gary Myers.

Motion made by Commissioner Berklich, supported by Commissioner Kleffman, to approve the regular meeting minutes of February 9, 2009.

Motion carried unanimously.

The Commission reviewed the bills paid from February 6, 2009 through February 20, 2009, and made the following motion.

Motion by Commissioner Kleffman, supported by Commissioner Berklich that the bills paid from February 6, 2009 through February 20, 2009 in the amount of \$176,065.44 be approved.

Motion carried unanimously.

The Commission reviewed the payroll paid and overtime reports from January 30, 2009 through February 13, 2009 and made the following motion.

Motion by Commissioner Kleffman, supported by Commissioner Berklich that the payroll paid and overtime reports from January 30, 2009 through February 13, 2009 in the amount of \$178,497.17 be approved.

Motion carried unanimously.

The Commission reviewed the correspondence dated February 16, 2009 from G. Myers regarding Ash Grinders #3A Boiler.

Motion by Chairperson McGuire, supported by Commissioner Berklich to authorize the purchase of new ash grinders fro #3A boiler for \$32,487.20

Motion carried unanimously.

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The Commission reviewed the correspondence dated February 10, 2009 from J. Fisher regarding MMUA Winter/Legislative Conference, March 25-27, 2009, Bloomington, MN.

Motion by Chairperson McGuire, supported by Commissioner Berklich to authorize Jason Fisher to attend the MMUA Winter Legislative Conference along with any Commissioners that want to attend.

Motion carried unanimously.

The Commission reviewed the correspondence dated February 17, 2009, from C. Lubovich regarding 2009 American Water Works Association.

Motion by Commissioner Berklich, supported by Chairperson McGuire to authorize Corey Lubovich and Bruce Stone to attend the 2009 American Water Works Association school.

Motion carried unanimously.

The Commission reviewed the correspondence dated February 17, 2009 from C. Berg regarding Resignation: Charles Berg, Director of Engineering, Safety.

Motion by Chairperson McGuire, supported by Commissioner Berklich to accept the resignation of Charles Berg, Director of Engineering effective March 13, 2009.

Motion carried unanimously.

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Motion by Chairperson McGuire, supported by Commissioner Berklich, to accept the lowest quote for a \$500,000.00 Line of Credit from Republic Bank.

Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Commissioner Berklich, supported by Commissioner Kleffman, to adjourn the meeting at 3:46 p.m.

Motion carried unanimously.

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

Attest:

  
Larry McGuire Commission Chairperson

  
Kevin M. Gargano  
Director of Finance & Commission Secretary

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