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

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Minutes of the regular meeting of the Public Utilities Commission, Hibbing, Minnesota held on October 13, 2009. Meeting called to order by Chairperson Berklich at 3:30 p.m., at the Hibbing Public Utilities, Hibbing, MN. Present were Chairperson Berklich; Commissioner Fena; Legal Counsel, Allen Jacobson; General Manager, Jason Fisher; Director of Finance & Commission Secretary, Kevin Gargano; Assistant General Manager/Director of Power Production, Gary D. Myers; and Director of Electrical Systems, John Carlson. Also in attendance was Curt Holcomb, Hibbing Public Access TV; Anna Kurth, Hibbing Daily Tribune; Larry Claude, Local 94 Employees, and Anne Mansfield and Millie Barbato, Citizens. Absent from the meeting was Commissioner Kleffman and Director of Utility Operations, Corey Lubovich.

Motion made by Commissioner Fena, supported by Chairperson Berklich, to approve the regular meeting minutes of September 22, 2009.

Motion carried unanimously.

The Commission reviewed the bills paid from September 18, 2009 through October 2, 2009 and made the following motion.

Motion by Commissioner Fena, supported by Chairperson Berklich that the bills paid from September 18, 2009 through October 2, 2009 in the amount of \$795,111.74 be approved.

Motion carried unanimously.

The Commission reviewed the payroll and overtime reports from September 24, 2009 through October 8, 2009 and made the following motion.

Motion by Commissioner Fena, supported by Chairperson Berklich, that the payroll and overtime reports from September 24, 2009 through October 8, 2009 in the amount of \$395,525.70 be approved.

Motion carried unanimously.

The Commission reviewed the correspondence dated October 8, 2009 from J. Fisher regarding Step (3) Grievance Hearing: Upgrade of the Assistant Cashier to Head Cashier.

Motion by Commissioner Fena, to deny the Step (3) Grievance: Upgrade of the Assistant Cashier to Head Cashier.

Chairperson Berklich Abstained.

Motion carried.

The Commission reviewed the correspondence dated October 7, 2009 from J. Fisher regarding Customer Policy Amendment: Disconnect Policy.

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Motion by Commissioner Fena, supported by Chairperson Berklich, to approve the Customer Policy Book Amendment: Disconnect Policy.

Motion carried unanimously.

The Commission reviewed the correspondence dated October 7, 2009 from J. Fisher regarding Customer Policy Book Amendment: Reconnect Policy.

Motion by Commissioner Fena, supported by Chairperson Berklich, to approve the Customer Policy Book Amendment: Reconnect Policy.

Motion carried unanimously.

The Commission reviewed the correspondence dated September 30, 2009 from the MN Pollution Control Agency and placed in the Commission file.

Motion by Commissioner Fena, supported by Chairperson Berklich, to enter into Closed Session at 4:08 p.m.

Motion carried unanimously.

Present in the Closed Session were Chairperson Berklich, Commissioner Fena; Legal Counsel, Allen Jacobson; General Manager, Jason Fisher; Finance Director, Kevin Gargano; AGM/Director of Power Production, Gary Myers; and Jane Garrity, Human Resources/Accounting Clerk.

Motion by Commissioner Fena, supported by Chairperson Berklich, to return to open session at 5:29 p.m.

Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned by Chairperson Berklich at 5:30 p.m.


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

The next Public Forum will be held on Tuesday, January 26, 2010 at 6:00 p.m.

Attest:



John Berklich, Commission Chairperson



Kevin M. Gargano, Finance Director &
Commission Secretary