

Chairman Tim Schram called the regularly scheduled meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. with Commissioners Frank Landis, Tim Schram and Gerald Vap present and Commissioners Anne Boyle and Rod Johnson excused. Chairman Schram invited the public to address the Commission and also announced that a copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was posted in the meeting room. No announcements were made.

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

Notice was duly published March 22, 2011 on Page 6 of The Daily Record that the regular public meeting of the Commissioners of the Nebraska Public Service Commission would be held March 29, 2011 at 10:00 a.m. in the Commission Hearing Room, 300 The Atrium, 1200 N Street, Lincoln.

COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT

C-4035.1 In the Matter of the Application of CommPartners, LLC, Las Vegas, Nevada, seeking authority to withdraw their local exchange certification and tariff in the State of Nebraska: Motion made by Commissioner Jerry Vap, seconded by Commissioner Frank Landis, to enter an order granting the application. Motion passed with Commissioners Frank Landis, Tim Schram and Jerry Vap voting AYE, and Commissioners Anne Boyle and Rod Johnson excused not voting.

C-4324 In the Matter of the Application of Northeast Nebraska Telephone Company, Jackson, seeking approval of and authority to execute (1) the Loan Agreement with the United States of America (2) the Promissory Note made payable to the United States of America; and (3) the Restated Mortgage, Security Agreement and Financing Statement with the United States of America, the Rural Telephone Bank, and the Rural Telephone Finance Cooperative: Motion made by Commissioner Frank Landis, seconded by Commissioner Jerry Vap, to enter an order Nunc Pro Tunc. Motion passed with Commissioners Frank Landis, Tim Schram and Jerry Vap voting AYE, and Commissioners Anne Boyle and Rod Johnson excused not voting.

E-2273 In the Matter of the Application of Nebraska Public Power District, Columbus, seeking authority to construct, operate and maintain an electric transmission line in Kearney and Franklin Counties: Commissioner Rod Johnson entered the Commission Hearing Room during discussion of this docket. Motion made by Commissioner Jerry Vap, seconded by Commissioner Frank Landis, to enter an order granting the application. Motion passed with Commissioners Frank Landis, Tim Schram and Jerry Vap voting AYE, Commissioner Rod Johnson present not voting, and Commissioner Anne Boyle excused not voting.

COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT (Cont.)

E-2277 In the Matter of the Application of Flat Water Wind Farm LLC, DuBois, seeking authority to construct, operate and maintain an electric transmission line in Richardson County: Motion made by Commissioner Frank Landis, seconded by Commissioner Jerry Vap, to enter an order granting the application. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Tim Schram and Jerry Vap voting AYE, and Commissioner Anne Boyle excused not voting.

Gene Hand reported that the next broadband forums will be held at the Civic Center, 1050 M Street, Gering on March 30th and at the 4-H Building, 120 North Green Street, Valentine, on March 31st. Both forums will begin at 1:00 p.m. local time.

TELECOMMUNICATIONS INFRASTRUCTURE AND PUBLIC SAFETY DEPARTMENT

NUSF-32.10 In the Matter of the Commission, on its own motion, seeking to conduct an inquiry into the failure of Gold Line Telemanagement to comply with Commission Rules or Orders and to impose administrative fines. Commissioner Rod Johnson presiding as Hearing Officer: Motion made by Commissioner Rod Johnson, seconded by Commissioner Frank Landis, to enter an order granting an audit waiver and canceling the hearing previously scheduled for March 29, 2011. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Tim Schram and Jerry Vap voting AYE, and Commissioner Anne Boyle excused not voting.

NUSF-33/
PI-68 In the Matter of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, on its own motion, seeking to investigate the audit requirements related to the Nebraska Universal Service Fund: Motion made by Commissioner Jerry Vap, seconded by Commissioner Frank Landis, to enter an order accepting the late-filed audit waiver. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Tim Schram and Jerry Vap voting AYE, and Commissioner Anne Boyle excused not voting.

NUSF-50 In the Matter of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, on its own motion, seeking to make adjustments to the universal service fund mechanism established in NUSF-26. Commissioner Landis presiding as Hearing Officer: Motion made by Commissioner Frank Landis, seconded by Commissioner Rod Johnson, to enter an order scheduling a workshop for April 18, 2011 at 1:30 p.m. in the Commission Hearing Room, Lincoln. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Tim Schram and Jerry Vap voting AYE, and Commissioner Anne Boyle excused not voting.

NATURAL GAS DEPARTMENT

NG-0060 In the Matter of SourceGas Distribution LLC, Lakewood, Colorado, seeking approval of a general rate increase. Commissioner Rod Johnson presiding as Hearing Officer: Motion made by Commissioner Jerry Vap, seconded by Commissioner Rod Johnson, to enter an order approving the Rate Recalculation and Refund Plan. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Tim Schram and Jerry Vap voting AYE, and Commissioner Anne Boyle excused not voting.

NG-0061 In the Matter of Black Hills/Nebraska Gas Utility Company, LLC, d/b/a Black Hills Energy, Omaha, seeking a General Rate Increase for Black Hills Energy's Rate Areas One, Two and Three (Consolidated). Commissioner Frank Landis presiding as Hearing Officer: Laura Demman discussed the District Court's order released March 23, 2011, in Case No. CI 10-3904.

LEGISLATIVE REPORT

Nichole Mulcahy discussed pending legislation.

TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT

B-1787 In the Matter of The Kid Caddie, LLC, Papillion, seeking authority as a common carrier in Nebraska intrastate commerce in the transportation of passengers by van and SUV between points in Cass, Douglas, and Sarpy counties and between points within said counties, on the one hand, and, on the other hand, points in Nebraska over irregular routes: Motion made by Commissioner Frank Landis, seconded by Commissioner Jerry Vap, to enter an order granting the application as amended. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Tim Schram and Jerry Vap voting AYE, and Commissioner Anne Boyle excused not voting.

Rate Division

BR-382 In the Matter of The Kid Caddie, LLC, Papillion, seeking authority to set its rates and charges: Motion made by Commissioner Jerry Vap, seconded by Commissioner Rod Johnson, to enter an order granting the application on an emergency basis. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Tim Schram and Jerry Vap voting AYE, and Commissioner Anne Boyle excused not voting.

MR-1009/
PI-70 In the Matter of the Commission, on its own motion, initiated an investigation on range uniformity in the Official Intracity House Goods Tariff 2, and to develop procedures for efficiently processing household goods mover tariff amendments: Upon agreement of all Commissioners, a hearing was scheduled for April 19, 2011, at 2:30 p.m. in the Commission Hearing Room, Lincoln. Commissioner Schram was appointed as Hearing Officer.

TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT (Cont.)

TR-183 In the Matter of Golden Plains Services, LLC, dba High Plains Cab, McCook, seeking authority to adjust its rates and charges: Motion made by Commissioner Jerry Vap, seconded by Commissioner Rod Johnson, to enter an order granting the application on an emergency basis. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Tim Schram and Jerry Vap voting AYE, and Commissioner Anne Boyle excused not voting.

MR-930 In the Matter of Movers and Warehouse Division, Nebraska Motor Carriers Association, Lincoln, seeking authority to establish a fuel surcharge in Nebraska Official Goods Tariff 7F and Tariff 22: The Tariff 7F fuel surcharge was increased to \$1.10 per mile and the Tariff 22 fuel surcharge to \$7.56 per truck per trip.

GRAIN WAREHOUSE DEPARTMENT

Schedule A & E In the Matter of Fixing Reasonable Storage Rates and Charges for Public Grain Warehouses: Motion made by Commissioner Jerry Vap, seconded by Commissioner Frank Landis, to enter an order scheduling the Schedule A & E rate hearing for May 11, 2011 at 10:00 a.m. in the Commission Hearing Room, Lincoln. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Tim Schram and Jerry Vap voting AYE, and Commissioner Anne Boyle excused not voting. Commissioner Jerry Vap was appointed as Hearing Officer.

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

Motion made by Commissioner Jerry Vap, seconded by Commissioner Frank Landis, to approve the Executive Director's recommendation to approve the following Commission invoices. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Tim Schram and Jerry Vap voting AYE, and Commissioner Anne Boyle excused not voting.

AS Central Services	\$	3,478.95
Dell Marketing		1,721.60
Gerald L. Vap		958.80

Motion made by Commissioner Frank Landis, seconded by Commissioner Jerry Vap, to approve the Executive Director's recommendation to enter into closed session to discuss personnel issues. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Tim Schram and Jerry Vap voting AYE, and Commissioner Anne Boyle excused not voting. The Commission entered into closed session at 10:19 a.m.

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION (Cont.)

Motion made by Commissioner Jerry Vap, seconded by Commissioner Frank Landis, to approve the Executive Director's recommendation to return to open session. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Tim Schram and Jerry Vap voting AYE, and Commissioner Anne Boyle excused not voting. The Commission returned to open session at 10:29 a.m.

Motion made by Commissioner Frank Landis, seconded by Commissioner Rod Johnson, to approve the Executive Director's recommendation to ratify the offer of employment to fill an open position in the Nebraska Telecommunications Infrastructure and Public Safety Department (NTIPS). Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Tim Schram and Jerry Vap voting AYE, and Commissioner Anne Boyle excused not voting.

The meeting adjourned at 10:32 a.m. with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Tim Schram and Gerald Vap present and Commissioner Anne Boyle excused. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on April 5, 2011, at 10:00 a.m. with an agenda to be available in the office of the Executive Director at 10:00 a.m. on April 4, 2011.

Chairman

Executive Director