Notice was duly published August 17, 2026, on page 7 of The Daily Record that the regular public meeting of the Commissioners of the Nebraska Public Service Commission would be held on August 25, 2026, at 10:00 a.m. in the Commission Hearing Room, 300 The Atrium, 1200 N Street, Lincoln.

Chair Tim Schram called the regularly scheduled meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. with Commissioners Christian Mirch, Eric Kamler, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier present in the Commission Hearing Room. Chair Schram stated that a copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act is posted in the meeting room and invited the public to address the Commission. No public comment offered. Chair Schram congratulated Commissioner Stocker on his appointment to the Governor's Data Center Committee.

Attention was called to the following proceedings:

COMMUNICATIONS & NUSF DEPARTMENT

C-5705: In the Matter of the Application of Windstream Nebraska, Little Rock, Arkansas, seeking authority to deregulate its Lincoln exchange pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. § 86-1601 et seq. Motion made by Commissioner Dan Watermeier, seconded by Commissioner Eric Kamler, to enter an Order Granting Application. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

CPF-2: In the Matter of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, on its own motion, to administer the federal Capital Projects Funds for broadband development in Nebraska. Motion made by Commissioner Kevin Stocker, seconded by Commissioner Eric Kamler, to enter an Order Granting Vistabeam's Request for a Further Extension of Project Deadline to March 4, 2027 at 5:00 p.m. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

NUSF-139: In the Matter of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, on its own Motion, to consider appropriate modifications to the high-cost distribution and reporting mechanisms in its Universal Service Fund program in light of federal and state infrastructure grants. Motion made by Commissioner Dan Watermeier, seconded by Commissioner Kevin Stocker, to enter an Order Setting the Schedule for Transition Applications. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

NUSF-150: In the Matter of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, on its own motion, to explore additional funding opportunities in the Telehealth program. Motion made by Commissioner Christian Mirch, seconded by Commissioner Kevin Stocker, to enter an Order Issuing Grant Awards. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

HOUSING DEPARTMENT

MANF-19: In the Matter of the Commission, on its own Motion, seeking to determine the seal fee amount for the Manufactured Home Program;
MODF-21: In the Matter of the Commission, on its own Motion, seeking to determine the seal fee amount for the Modular Housing Program; and
RVF-20: In the Matter of the Commission, on its own Motion, seeking to determine the fees for the Recreational Vehicle Program. Motion made by Commissioner Christian Mirch, seconded by Commissioner Eric Kamler, to enter Orders setting a Hearing for Thursday, October 29, 2026, at 10:00 a.m. in the Commission Hearing Room, Lincoln. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

Executive Director's recommendation to approve Aaron Davis to travel to and attend the MP&E Commission Meeting in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma from September 14, 2026 to September 18, 2026. A state vehicle will be provided for travel, and lodging and meals will be paid by the Commission. Motion made by Commissioner Dan Watermeier, seconded by Commissioner Christian Mirch, to approve Aaron Davis's travel request. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

Executive Director's recommendation to approve Commissioner Kevin Stocker to travel to and attend the 2026 NARUC Annual Meeting in San Juan, Puerto Rico from November 8, 2026 to November 11, 2026 with all expenses to be paid by the Commission. Motion made by Commissioner Dan Watermeier, seconded by Commissioner Christian Mirch, to approve Commissioner Stocker's travel request. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, and Dan Watermeier voting AYE, and Commissioner Kevin Stocker present not voting.

The meeting adjourned at 10:09 a.m. with Commissioners Tim Schram, Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier present. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on September 1, 2026, at 10:00 a.m. with an agenda to be available in the office of the Executive Director at 10:00 a.m. on August 31, 2026.

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Chair Executive Director