

Chairman Frank Landis called the regularly scheduled meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. with Commissioners Anne Boyle, Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Tim Schram and Gerald Vap present. Chairman Landis invited the public to address the Commission and 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 July 29, 2014 on Page 6 of The Daily Record that the regular public meeting of the Commissioners of the Nebraska Public Service Commission would be held August 5, 2014 at 10:00 a.m. in the Commission Hearing Room, 300 The Atrium, 1200 N Street, Lincoln.

Attention was called to the following proceeding:

Tuesday, August 5, 2014:

1:30 Commission Hearing Room, Lincoln
C-4680/ In the Matter of the Nebraska Public Service Commission
DC-85 regarding the 2013 Annual Report Filings. Commissioner Tim Schram presiding as Hearing Officer.

COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT

Cheryl Elton informed the Commission of complaints received in July 2014. She reported that there were a total of 49 complaints: 32 - wireline and 17 - wireless. The complaints were categorized as follows: 8 billing, 26 service and 15 miscellaneous issues.

C-4691 In the Matter of the Application of Charter Fiberlink-Nebraska, LLC, St. Louis, Missouri, seeking approval for financing authority to perform related transactions: Motion made by Commissioner Tim Schram, seconded by Commissioner Anne Boyle, to enter an order granting the application. Motion passed with Commissioners Anne Boyle, Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Tim Schram and Jerry Vap voting AYE.

Motion made by Commissioner Anne Boyle, seconded by Commissioner Rod Johnson, to enter orders granting applications E-2374 and E-2375. Motion passed with Commissioners Anne Boyle, Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Tim Schram and Jerry Vap voting AYE:

E-2374 In the Matter of the Application of Loup River Public Power
E-2375 District, Columbus, seeking authority to construct, operate and maintain an electric transmission line in Boone County and Platte County.

COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT (Cont.)

C-4699 In the Matter of Cozad Telephone Company, Cozad, seeking residential and business rate increases: Gene Hand informed the Commission there will be one public meeting on August 28, 2014, at 7:00 p.m. at 122 East 7th Street, Cozad.

Gene Hand announced that electronic boundary maps are now available for viewing and/or downloading from the Commission's website. These maps reflect the official exchange boundaries and were discussed at a workshop held on June 24, 2014.

Gene Hand provided a quarterly Broadband Planning Activities update.

TELECOMMUNICATIONS INFRASTRUCTURE AND PUBLIC SAFETY DEPARTMENT

911-020.08 In the Matter of Sue Vanicek, Director of the Nebraska Telephone Infrastructure and Public Safety Department of DC-86 the Nebraska Public Service Commission, Complainant, v. BCN Telecom, Inc., Comtech 21, LLC, Diller Telephone Company, NetTalk.com, Inc., Respondent(s). Commissioner Rod Johnson presiding as Hearing Officer: Motion made by Commissioner Jerry Vap, seconded by Commissioner Tim Schram, to enter an order dismissing and sustaining the complaint in part. Motion passed with Commissioners Anne Boyle, Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Tim Schram and Jerry Vap voting AYE.

NATURAL GAS DEPARTMENT

Motion made by Commissioner Anne Boyle, seconded by Commissioner Rod Johnson, to enter Assessment Orders in Dockets NG-0072.1, NG-0078 and NG-0079. Motion passed with Commissioners Anne Boyle, Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Tim Schram and Jerry Vap voting AYE. Commissioner Rod Johnson presiding as Hearing Officer:

NG-0072.1 In the Matter of SourceGas Distribution LLC, Golden, Colorado, seeking approval to adjust an infrastructure system BE-004 replacement cost recovery charge, pursuant to Sections 66-1865 and 66-1866 of the State Natural Gas Regulation Act.

NG-0078 In the Matter of the Application of SourceGas Distribution BE-004 LLC, Golden, Colorado, seeking an order authorizing it to put into effect a system safety and integrity rider tariff and a system safety and integrity rider charge.

NG-0079 In the Matter of the Application of SourceGas Distribution BE-005 LLC, Golden, Colorado, seeking authority to reflect changed depreciation rates on its Nebraska Books of Account effective May 1, 2014, without impacting existing rates.

NATURAL GAS DEPARTMENT (Cont.)

Angela Melton reported a total number of 5 consumer complaints and inquiries received at the Commission during July. For each company: Black Hills - 2; SourceGas - 2; NorthWestern - 0; and Other Entities - 1.

RULES AND REGULATIONS

Rule and In the Matter of the Commission, on its own motion, seeking Regulation to amend Title 291, Chapter 3 Motor Carrier Rules and Regulations, to rewrite the chapter in its entirety. Commissioner Tim Schram presiding as Hearing Officer: Motion made by Commissioner Tim Schram, seconded by Commissioner Rod Johnson, to enter an order releasing the third set of proposed rules with comments due September 5, 2014 and scheduling a hearing for September 25, 2014, at 10:00 a.m. in the Commission Hearing Room, Lincoln. Motion passed with Commissioners Anne Boyle, Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Tim Schram and Jerry Vap voting AYE.

TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT

Rate Division

BR-456 In the Matter of Moon Limousine, Overland Park, Kansas, seeking authority to establish its rates and charges: Motion made by Commissioner Jerry Vap, seconded by Commissioner Anne Boyle, to enter an order granting the application on an emergency basis. Motion passed with Commissioners Anne Boyle, Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Tim Schram and Jerry Vap voting AYE.

LR-341 In the Matter of Limousine Services, LLC, Lincoln, seeking authority to establish additional rates and charges: Motion made by Commissioner Tim Schram, seconded by Commissioner Anne Boyle, to enter an order granting the application on an emergency basis. Motion passed with Commissioners Anne Boyle, Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Tim Schram and Jerry Vap voting AYE.

MR-930 In the Matter of Movers and Warehouse Division, Nebraska Motor Carriers Association, Lincoln, seeking authority to establish fuel surcharges in Nebraska Official Goods Tariff 7F and Tariff 22: The Tariff 7F surcharge was decreased to \$1.08 per mile and the Tariff 22 to \$7.36 per truck per trip.

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

Motion made by Commissioner Anne Boyle, seconded by Commissioner Rod Johnson, to approve the Executive Director's recommendation to approve Commission invoices. Motion passed with Commissioners Anne Boyle, Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Tim Schram and Jerry Vap voting AYE.

AS Risk Management-Workers Comp FY 14-15	\$	25,686.00
AS Risk Management-Motor Vehicle Physical Damage Coverage		3,486.31
AS Risk Management-Auto Liability		3,198.00
Altwine Electric Motors Inc.		1,036.80
Ted Burkey		682.50
Grossenburg Implement, Inc.		3,150.00
Grossenburg Implement, Inc.		23,285.00
Fred Massing		3,236.00
Ken Stadler		1,600.00
Kent Pribyl		1,059.60
Anne Boyle		715.93
Tim Schram		456.96

Motion made by Commissioner Tim Schram, seconded by Commissioner Anne Boyle, to authorize Commissioners and staff to travel to and attend the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners (NARUC) Annual Meeting to be held in San Francisco, California in November, 2014. Motion passed with Commissioners Anne Boyle, Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Tim Schram and Jerry Vap voting AYE.

Motion made by Commissioner Jerry Vap, seconded by Commissioner Tim Schram, to approve the Executive Director's recommendation to purchase a computer, monitor and software at an estimated cost of \$1276 for a new employee in the NTIPS Department. Motion passed with Commissioners Anne Boyle, Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Tim Schram and Jerry Vap voting AYE.

Motion made by Commissioner Anne Boyle, seconded by Commissioner Tim Schram, to approve the Executive Director's recommendation to enter into closed session to discuss personnel issues. Motion passed with Commissioners Anne Boyle, Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Tim Schram and Jerry Vap voting AYE. The Commission entered into closed session at 10:14 a.m.

Motion made by Commissioner Tim Schram, seconded by Commissioner Rod Johnson, to approve the Executive's Director's recommendation to return to open session. Motion passed with Commissioners Anne Boyle, Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Tim Schram and Jerry Vap voting AYE. The Commission returned to open session at 10:19 a.m.

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION (Cont.)

Motion made by Commissioner Tim Schram, seconded by Commissioner Jerry Vap, to ratify the hiring of an Administrative Assistant in the Grain Warehouse Department effective August 11, 2014 and an Accountant I in the NTIPS Department effective August 18, 2014. Motion passed with Commissioners Anne Boyle, Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Tim Schram and Jerry Vap voting AYE.

Motion made by Commissioner Jerry Vap, seconded by Commissioner Rod Johnson, to approve the Executive Director's recommendation to authorize an employee to go into a negative vacation balance. Motion passed with Commissioners Anne Boyle, Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Tim Schram and Jerry Vap voting AYE.

The meeting adjourned at 10:20 a.m. with Commissioners Anne Boyle, Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Tim Schram and Gerald Vap present. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on August 12, 2014 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 11, 2014.

Chairman

Executive Director