

Chairman Frank Landis called the regularly scheduled meeting to order at 10:01 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 November 25, 2014 on Page 7 of The Daily Record that the regular public meeting of the Commissioners of the Nebraska Public Service Commission would be held December 2, 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:

Monday, December 8, 2014:

10:00 Commission Hearing Room, Lincoln
E-911 Advisory Board

COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT

Cheryl Elton informed the Commission of complaints received in November 2014. She reported there were a total of 43 complaints: 25 wireline and 18 wireless. The complaints were categorized as follows: 16 billing, 13 service and 14 miscellaneous issues.

Gene Hand provided a report on CenturyLink and Citizens pending local rate increases.

E-2379 In the Matter of the Application of Nebraska Public Power District, Columbus, seeking authority to construct, operate and maintain an electric transmission line in Adams County: Motion made by Commissioner Rod Johnson, 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.

Gene Hand reported on the National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) webinar held November 24, 2014 that focused on sustainability efforts in Nevada, Arizona and Vermont. He also reported on the broadband planning call held on November 25, 2014.

TELECOMMUNICATIONS INFRASTRUCTURE AND PUBLIC SAFETY DEPARTMENT

NUSF-92 In the Matter of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, on its own motion, to administer the Nebraska Universal Service Fund Broadband Program: Sue Vanicek discussed the Hearing Officer Order entered November 25, 2014 granting an extension request.

Sue Vanicek reported on the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners (NARUC) Annual Meeting held in San Francisco, California from November 15-19, 2014.

NATURAL GAS DEPARTMENT

NG-0014.2 In the Matter of Seminole Energy Services, L.L.C. Denver, Colorado, seeking authority to change its name to Continuum Retail Energy Services, L.L.C.: 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 Rod Johnson, seconded by Commissioner Tim Schram, to enter assessment orders in Dockets 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-0078 In the Matter of the Application of SourceGas Distribution
CA-006 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
CA-006 LLC, Golden, Colorado, seeking authority to reflect changed depreciation rates on its Nebraska Books of Account effective May 1, 2014, without impacting existing rates.

Angela Melton reported a total number of 12 consumer complaints and inquiries received during November. For each company: Black Hills - 1; SourceGas - 3; NorthWestern - 2; and Other Entities - 6.

TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT

B-1494 In the Matter of Midlands Services Link, Inc., Omaha, Nebraska: Motion made by Commissioner Anne Boyle, seconded by Commissioner Tim Schram, to enter an order dismissing the show cause and cancelling the hearing previously scheduled for December 2, 2014. Motion passed with Commissioners Anne Boyle, Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Tim Schram and Jerry Vap voting AYE.

TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT (Cont.)

B-1494 In the Matter of Midlands Services Link, Inc., Omaha, seeking a suspension of the Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity issued in Application B-1494 until November 1, 2015: Motion made by Commissioner Anne Boyle, seconded by Commissioner Tim Schram, to enter an order granting the application and suspending the authority until November 1, 2015. Motion passed with Commissioners Anne Boyle, Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Tim Schram and Jerry Vap voting AYE.

B-1829 In the Matter of Golden Plains Services Transportation, Inc. dba GPS Transportation, Lincoln. Commissioner Rod Johnson presiding as Hearing Officer: Upon agreement of all Commissioners, the hearing previously scheduled for a date later to be determined was scheduled for January 14-15, 2015, at 10:00 a.m. in the Commission Hearing Room, Lincoln.

Rate Division

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 surcharge was decreased to \$1.02 per mile and the Tariff 22 surcharge to \$6.64 per truck per trip.

GRAIN WAREHOUSE DEPARTMENT

GW-1154 In the Matter of the Application of Cooperative Producers, Inc. Hastings, Nebraska, requesting a \$50,000 deductible on its stock insurance: Motion made by Commissioner Rod Johnson, seconded by Commissioner Anne Boyle, to enter an order granting the request. Motion passed with Commissioners Anne Boyle, Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Tim Schram and Jerry Vap voting AYE.

GW-91 In the Matter of Clark Grain Company, Johnson, Nebraska: John Fecht informed the Commission of their shortage of corn.

GW-371 In the Matter of Prinz Grain and Feed, Inc. West Point, Nebraska: John Fecht informed the Commission of their shortage of soybeans.

GW-408 In the Matter of The Farmers Grain and Livestock Company, Hadar, Nebraska: John Fecht informed the Commission of their shortage of oats.

GRAIN WAREHOUSE DEPARTMENT (Cont.)

GD-2998 In the Matter of the Application of Nebraska Energy L.L.C. Aurora, Nebraska, seeking authority to operate as a grain dealer pursuant to Nebraska Revised Statutes Section 75-903 (Reissue of 2009): Motion made by Commissioner Rod Johnson, seconded by Commissioner Tim Schram, to enter an order granting the grain dealer license. Motion passed with Commissioners Anne Boyle, Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Tim Schram and Jerry Vap voting AYE.

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

Motion made by Commissioner Anne Boyle, seconded by Commissioner Tim Schram, 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.

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| Fred Massing | \$ | 3,006.00 |
| Parrish, Blessing and Associates | | 6,000.00 |
| Angela Melton | | 850.47 |
| Anne Boyle | | 739.20 |
| Gerald Vap | | 789.60 |

Motion made by Commissioner Tim Schram, seconded by Commissioner Anne Boyle, to approve the Executive Director's recommendation to authorize Cullen Robbins to enroll in the Nebraska State Government Leadership Certificate program with the cost of \$1,499 to be paid by the Commission. Motion passed with Commissioners Anne Boyle, Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Tim Schram and Jerry Vap voting AYE.

Motion made by Commissioner Rod Johnson, seconded by Commissioner Anne Boyle, 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 10:36 a.m.

Motion made by Commissioner Anne Boyle, seconded by Commissioner Tim Schram, to approve the Executive 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 10:40 a.m.

Motion made by Commissioner Anne Boyle, seconded by Commissioner Tim Schram, to approve the Executive Director's recommendation to approve a NARUC stipend reimbursement for an employee in the Communications Department, to enter into a consulting services agreement with Laurie Casados for the period from January 1 - March 31, 2015, to accept the resignation of Joselyn Luedtke effective December 12, 2014 and to open for hire the position of Legal Counsel in the General Administration Department. Motion passed with Commissioners Anne Boyle, Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Tim Schram and Jerry Vap voting AYE.

The meeting adjourned at 10:41 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 December 9, 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 December 8, 2014.

Chairman

Executive Director