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Chairman Tim Schram called the regularly scheduled meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Crystal Rhoades, Tim Schram and Gerald Vap present. Chairman Schram announced 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 comments were received. No announcements were made.

#### GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

Notice was duly published April 5, 2016 on Page 4 of The Daily Record that the regular public meeting of the Commissioners of the Nebraska Public Service Commission would be held on April 12, 2016 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, April 19, 2016:

10:00            Commission Hearing Room, Lincoln  
                 Commission Meeting

#### COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT

E-2412        In the Matter of the Application of Grande Prairie Wind, LLC, Edina, Minnesota, seeking authority to construct, operate, and maintain an electric transmission line in Holt County: Motion made by Commissioner Jerry Vap, seconded by Commissioner Frank Landis, to enter an order granting the application. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Crystal Rhoades, Tim Schram and Jerry Vap voting AYE.

Upon Commissioner Jerry Vap's request, Gene Hand described the Commission's role and jurisdiction with regard to electric transmission lines.

Gene Hand discussed the Nebraska Broadband TODAY! Conference set to be held on May 24, 2016.

#### LEGISLATIVE

Nichole Mulcahy mentioned that LB 938 is on Final Reading. Nichole Mulcahy also discussed the interim studies to be conducted, as mandated by LR 519, LR 538, LR 539, LR 563, LR 599, and LR 612.

Commissioner Rod Johnson discussed a meeting at West Point, Nebraska, at which some grain matters were discussed.

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GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

Chairman Schram invited the public to address the Commission. No public comments were received.

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

Office Depot	\$	806.78
Thomson Reuters		1,251.34
Voyager		1,098.10

NEBRASKA EQUIPMENT DISTRIBUTION PROGRAM: Batch Total: \$ 9,444.60

Audiology & Hearing Center of Grand Island  
Beltone

Carl A. Johnson

Nebraska Hearing Center

Professional Hearing Aid Specialists

Talk to Me Technologies

Teltex Inc.

The Hearing Clinic Inc.

U-Save Pharmacy & Medical Supply

Western Hearing Solutions

The following invoices were paid between April 5 and April 11, 2016 should be ratified:

Husker Auto Group	\$	17,299.00
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Jeff Pursley identified the Natural Gas & Pipeline candidate and discussed the conditions of employment.

Commissioner Crystal Rhoades discussed her opposition to the appointment of the Natural Gas & Pipeline candidate.

Motion made by Commissioner Frank Landis, seconded by Commissioner Jerry Vap, to approve the Executive Director's recommendation to make an offer of employment for a Natural Gas & Oil Pipeline Department position. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Tim Schram and Jerry Vap voting AYE, and Commissioner Crystal Rhoades voting NAY.

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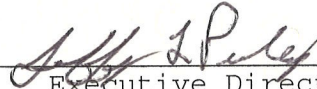
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The meeting adjourned at 10:16 a.m. with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Crystal Rhoades, Tim Schram and Gerald Vap present. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on April 19, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. with an agenda to be available in the office of the Executive Director at 10:00 a.m. on April 18, 2016.



Chairman



Executive Director