

Notice was duly published October 9, 2018 on Page 8 of The Daily Record that the regular public meeting of the Commissioners of the Nebraska Public Service Commission would be held on October 16, 2018 at 10:00 a.m. in the Commission Hearing Room, 300 The Atrium, 1200 N Street, Lincoln.

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

Attention was called to the following proceedings:

Tuesday, October 23, 2018:

10:00 Commission Room, Lincoln
Commission Meeting

COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT

C-5002 In the Matter of the Joint Application of Crown Castle Fiber, LLC, and Crown Castle NG Central, LLC, Canonsburg, Pennsylvania, for approval of a Pro Forma Consolidation and Acquisition of Customers and Certain Assets including the Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity of Crown Castle NG Central, LLC.: Motion made by Commissioner Tim Schram, seconded by Commissioner Frank Landis, to enter an Order granting application. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Mary Ridder, Crystal Rhoades and Tim Schram voting AYE.

C-1628/ In the Matter of the Commission, on its own motion, seeking NUSF, to conduct an investigation into intrastate access charge reform and intrastate universal service fund: Motion made by Commissioner Rod Johnson, seconded by Commissioner Frank Landis, to enter an Order granting Pierce Telephone Company's request. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Mary Ridder, Crystal Rhoades and Tim Schram voting AYE.

NUSF-33/ In the Matter of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, on PI-68 its own motion, seeking to investigate the audit requirements related to the Nebraska Universal Service Fund: Motion made by Commissioner Frank Landis, seconded by Commissioner Rod Johnson, to enter an Order granting, in part and denying, in part late-filed remittance audit waivers. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Mary Ridder, Crystal Rhoades and Tim Schram voting AYE.

STATE 911 DEPARTMENT

911-042.13 In the Matter of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, on its own motion, seeking to administer funding for public safety answering points for the implementation and provision of Enhanced Wireless 911 service: Merrick County; and

911-042.15 In the Matter of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, on its own motion, seeking to administer funding for public safety answering points for the implementation and provision of Enhanced Wireless 911 service: Hamilton County: Motion made by Commissioner Rod Johnson, seconded by Commissioner Crystal Rhoades, to enter Orders in Docket 911-042.13 to cease funding and close the docket and, in Docket 911-042.15 to amend PSAP funding. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Mary Ridder, Crystal Rhoades and Tim Schram voting AYE.

911-042.50 In the Matter of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, on its own motion, seeking to administer funding for public safety answering points for the implementation and provision of Enhanced Wireless 911 service: Chase County: Motion made by Commissioner Tim Schram, seconded by Commissioner Crystal Rhoades to enter an Order approving the use of set-aside funding for regionalization costs. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Mary Ridder, Crystal Rhoades and Tim Schram voting AYE.

Dave Sankey discussed Wireless 911 Late-Filed/Late-Paid Carrier Remittances: Motion made by Commissioner Tim Schram, seconded by Commissioner Rod Johnson, to grant one-time waiver requests from ANPI Business, LLC and ROK Mobile, Inc. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Mary Ridder, Crystal Rhoades and Tim Schram voting AYE.

NATURAL GAS DEPARTMENT

NG-0090.1 In the Matter of Black Hills/Nebraska Gas Utility, LLC, d/b/a Black Hills Energy, Papillion, seeking approval to adjust the surcharge for the Farm Tap Safety Program for the 2018-19 year: Motion made by Commissioner Rod Johnson, seconded by Commissioner Crystal Rhoades, to enter an Order. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Crystal Rhoades, Mary Ridder and Tim Schram voting AYE.

NG-0098 In the Matter of the Application of U.S. Energy Services, Inc., Miami, Florida, seeking approval to change their name to Kinect Energy, Inc.: Motion made by Commissioner Tim Schram, seconded by Commissioner Rod Johnson, to enter an Order granting the application. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Crystal Rhoades, Mary Ridder and Tim Schram voting AYE.

NATURAL GAS DEPARTMENT (Cont.)

NG-0013 In the Matter of the Commission, on its own motion, to evaluate and establish, on a quarterly basis, an assessment for jurisdictional utilities pursuant to the State Natural Gas Regulation Act, Neb. Rev. Stat. §66-1801 et seq.: Motion made by Commissioner Frank Landis, seconded by Commissioner Rod Johnson, to enter Progression Order #61. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Crystal Rhoades, Mary Ridder and Tim Schram voting AYE.

TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT

B-1860 In the Matter of Dashabout Town Taxi, LLC, Akron, Colorado, seeking authority as a common carrier in Nebraska intrastate commerce in the transportation of passengers by taxicab in Scotts Bluff, Box Butte, Cheyenne, Chase, and Kimball counties, on the one hand, and, on the other hand, points in Nebraska over irregular routes. RESTRICTIONS: The transportation of railroad train crews and their baggage is not authorized. HHS Designation: Yes; and

B-1954 In the Matter of Midwest Party Bus, LLC, Omaha, seeking authority as a common carrier in Nebraska intrastate commerce in the transportation of passengers by bus in special party and charter between all points in Nebraska over irregular routes. RESTRICTION: The transportation of railroad train crews and their baggage is not authorized. HHS Designation: No: Motion made by Commissioner Crystal Rhoades, seconded by Commissioner Tim Schram, to enter an Order to dismiss. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Mary Ridder, Crystal Rhoades and Tim Schram voting AYE.

GRAIN WAREHOUSE DEPARTMENT

GW-615 In the Matter of Oshkosh Grain, Inc., Oshkosh, Nebraska: John Fecht reported on shortage of corn.

GW-666 In the Matter of Crossroads Cooperative Association, Sidney, Nebraska: John Fecht reported on shortage of corn.

GW-2066 In the Matter of Seven Valleys Grain Company, Callaway, Nebraska: John Fecht reported on shortage of corn.

GW-2134 In the Matter of Schaefer Grain & Feed, Inc., Plainview, Nebraska: John Fecht reported on shortage of corn.

GW-2184 In the Matter of The Andersons Inc., Kearney, Nebraska: John Fecht reported on shortage of white corn.

GRAIN WAREHOUSE DEPARTMENT (Cont.)

GW-2193 In the Matter of the Application of 81-20 Grain, LLC, Randolph, Nebraska, requesting a \$25,000 deductible on its stock insurance: Motion made by Commissioner Rod Johnson, seconded by Commissioner Crystal Rhoades, to enter an Order granting application. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Crystal Rhoades, Mary Ridder, and Tim Schram voting AYE.

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

No Motion was made on the Executive Director's recommendation to approve Commission invoices.

Motion made by Commissioner Tim Schram, seconded by Commissioner Rod Johnson, to approve the Executive Director's recommendation to approve Commission minutes for July, August, and September, 2018. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Crystal Rhoades, Mary Ridder and Tim Schram voting AYE.

Motion made by Commissioner Tim Schram, seconded by Commissioner Frank Landis, to approve the Executive Director's recommendation to issue an Intent to Award the GIS Quality Assurance/Quality Control contract to West Safety Services. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Crystal Rhoades, Mary Ridder and Tim Schram voting AYE.

The meeting adjourned at 10:30 a.m. with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Crystal Rhoades, Mary Ridder, and Tim Schram present. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on October 23, 2018 at 10:00 a.m. with an agenda to be available in the office of the Executive Director at 10:00 a.m. on October 22, 2018.

Mary Ridder

Chair

Michael S. Hill Jr

Executive Director