

Chairman Rod Johnson 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 Johnson 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 April 10, 2012 on Page 6 of The Daily Record that the regular public meeting of the Commissioners of the Nebraska Public Service Commission would be held on April 17, 2012 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 17, 2012:

NUSF 32.11 Commission Hearing Room, Lincoln.

1:30 In the Matter of the Commission, on its own motion, seeking to conduct an inquiry into the failure of various companies to comply with Commission Rules and Orders and to impose administrative fines: STI Prepaid. Commissioner Rod Johnson presiding as Hearing Officer.

COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT

C-4449 In the Matter of the Application of ALEC, Inc., Greensboro, Georgia, seeking authority of a name change from ALEC, Inc. to ALEC, LLC: 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.

C-4459/
PI-185 In the Matter of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, on its own motion, to investigate and monitor compliance with federally mandated intercarrier compensation reform: Motion made by Commissioner Frank Landis, seconded by Commissioner Anne Boyle, to enter an order opening the docket and scheduling a workshop for May 17, 2012 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. Commissioner Frank Landis was appointed Hearing Officer.

W-011 In the Matter of Bow Valley Waterworks, Bow Valley, seeking authority to increase water rates effective April 2, 2012: Motion made by Commissioner Jerry Vap, seconded by Commissioner Frank Landis, to enter an order granting the application. Motion passed with Commissioners Anne Boyle, Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Tim Schram, and Jerry Vap voting AYE.

COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT (Cont.)

C-4448/ In the Matter of the Application of Pinpoint Wireless, Inc.
NUSF-79 d/b/a Blaze Wireless, Cambridge, seeking authority for
designation as a wireless Eligible Telecommunications
Carrier. Commissioner Jerry Vap presiding as Hearing Officer: Gene
Hand informed the Commission that a Hearing Officer order was entered
April 13, 2012, establishing a pre-hearing timeline and scheduling a
hearing for July 11, 2012, at 10:00 a.m. in the Commission Hearing
Room, Lincoln.

Gene Hand reported on events this week where the state
broadband map using 5th round data will be demonstrated.

Gene Hand distributed an updated list of proposed local
rate increases.

TELECOMMUNICATIONS INFRASTRUCTURE AND PUBLIC SAFETY DEPARTMENT

911-042.38 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: Washington County: Motion made by
Commissioner Tim Schram, seconded by Commissioner Frank Landis, to
enter an order scheduling a hearing for May 2, 2012 at 10:00 a.m. in
the Commission Hearing Room, Lincoln. Motion passed with Commis-
sioners Anne Boyle, Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Tim Schram, and Jerry
Vap voting AYE. Commissioner Tim Schram was appointed as Hearing
Officer.

911-054/ In the Matter of the Commission, on its own motion, seeking
PI-181 to investigate and determine costs eligible for funding
from the Enhanced Wireless 911 Fund pursuant to Neb. Rev.
Stat. 86-465(2) (b) and (c): Motion made by Commissioner Jerry Vap,
seconded by Commissioner Anne Boyle, to enter an order amending eli-
gible expenses. Motion passed with Commissioners Anne Boyle, Rod
Johnson, Frank Landis, Tim Schram, and Jerry Vap voting AYE.

Sue Vanicek informed the Commission that the next Wireless
E-911 Advisory Board Meeting is scheduled for July 9, 2012 at 10:00
a.m. in the Commission Hearing Room, Lincoln.

NUSF-4, In the Matter of the Commission, on its own motion, seeking
PO #18 to determine the level of the fund necessary to carry out
the Nebraska Telecommunications Universal Service Fund Act
beginning July 1, 1999. Commissioner Frank Landis presiding as Hearing
Officer: Motion made by Commissioner Tim Schram, seconded by Commis-
sioner Frank Landis, to enter an order continuing the hearing pre-
viously scheduled in Docket NUSF-4, PO #17, for May 1, 2012 to May 16,
2012 at 1:30 p.m. in the Commission Hearing Room, Lincoln. Motion
passed with Commissioners Anne Boyle, Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Tim
Schram, and Jerry Vap voting AYE.

TELECOMMUNICATIONS INFRASTRUCTURE AND PUBLIC SAFETY DEPARTMENT (Cont.)

NUSF-79/
C-4448 In the Matter of the Application of Pinpoint Wireless, Inc., d/b/a blaze Wireless, Cambridge, seeking designation as a wireless Eligible Telecommunications Carrier. Commissioner Jerry Vap presiding as Hearing Officer: This matter was discussed on the Communications Department's agenda.

Sue Vanicek informed the Commission that the NUSF Advisory Board meeting is scheduled for May 2, 2012, at 2:00 p.m. in the Commission Hearing Room, Lincoln.

Sue Vanicek discussed the NUSF Late-Filed Carrier Remittances: Motion made by Commissioner Jerry Vap, seconded by Commissioner Anne Boyle, to amend the current complaint against STI Prepaid, LLC to include the late-paid February 2012 data period and that late-fees be levied against Globalstar and NebraskaLink, LLC. Motion passed with Commissioners Anne Boyle, Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Tim Schram, and Jerry Vap voting AYE.

NATURAL GAS DEPARTMENT

NG-0070 In the Matter of Heartland Natural Gas, LLC, Lincoln, seeking authority for a Competitive Natural Gas Provider Certificate in the State of Nebraska: Motion made by Commissioner Frank Landis, seconded by Commissioner Anne Boyle, to enter an order granting the authority. Motion passed with Commissioners Anne Boyle, Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Tim Schram, and Jerry Vap voting AYE.

Motion made by Commissioner Frank Landis, seconded by Commissioner Anne Boyle, to enter Assessment Orders in Dockets NG-0013, NG-0061, and NG-0067. Motion passed with Commissioners Anne Boyle, Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Tim Schram and Jerry Vap voting AYE.

NG-0013 PO No. 35 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 [LB 790, 2003]. Commissioner Frank Landis presiding as Hearing Officer.

NG-0061 HS-0040 In the Matter of Black Hills/Nebraska Gas Utility Company, LLC, d/b/a Black Hills Energy, Omaha, seeking a General Rate Increase for Black Hills Energy's Rate Areas One, Two and Three (Consolidated). Commissioner Frank Landis presiding as Hearing Officer.

NG-0067 DR-001 In the Matter of SourceGas Distribution LLC, Lakewood, Colorado, seeking approval of a general rate increase. Commissioner Jerry Vap presiding as Hearing Officer: The published agenda incorrectly included the caption for Black Hills Energy's rate increase docket.

LEGISLATIVE

Angela Melton discussed pending legislation.

TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT

B-1761 In the Matter of Limousine Services, LLC, Lincoln, seeking to extend its authority in the transportation of passengers by luxury limousine between points within a 250 mile radius of Dakota City over irregular routes. RESTRICTION: 1) The transportation of railroad train crews is not authorized; and 2) The certificate holder shall maintain a listing of its service in the Yellow Pages of the telephone directory serving Dakota City. Extend the authority by the addition of sedans to vehicles used: Motion made by Commissioner Frank Landis, seconded by Commissioner Tim Schram, to enter an order granting the application. Motion passed with Commissioners Anne Boyle, Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Tim Schram, and Jerry Vap voting AYE.

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 fuel surcharge was decreased to \$1.14 per mile and the Tariff 22 fuel surcharge to \$7.92 per truck per trip.

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

Motion made by Commissioner Jerry Vap, 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.

State Auditor's Office	\$	654.00
AS Central Services		1,993.25

Motion made by Commissioner Tim Schram, seconded by Commissioner Frank Landis, to approve the Executive Director's recommendation to surplus vehicle number 13636, a 2006 Ford Taurus SE (Dave Meyer). Motion passed with Commissioners Anne Boyle, Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Tim Schram, and Jerry Vap voting AYE.

Motion made by Commissioner Frank Landis, seconded by Commissioner Tim Schram, to approve the Executive Director's recommendation to authorize Mike Hybl to attend the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners Summer Conference to be held in Portland, Oregon from July 20-25, 2012. Motion passed with Commissioners Anne Boyle, Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Tim Schram, and Jerry Vap voting AYE.

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION (Cont.)

Motion made by Commissioner Frank Landis, seconded by Commissioner Tim Schram, to approve the Executive Director's recommendation to authorize Mike Hybl and Don Gray to travel to and attend the SBI Grantee Workshop and the Creating Sustainable Broadband Solutions for Communities and Anchor Institutions Conference to be held in Washington, DC, from May 21-24, 2012 with expenses to be paid through the Nebraska SBI Mapping and Planning Grant. Motion passed with Commissioners Anne Boyle, Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Tim Schram, and Jerry Vap voting AYE.

Motion made by Commissioner Tim Schram, seconded by Commissioner Frank Landis, to authorize Anne Boyle to travel to and attend the Federal Communications Bar Association panel on Universal Service Contributions in Washington, DC, from April 26-27, 2012 with expenses 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 Frank Landis, seconded by Commissioner Anne Boyle, to approve the Executive Director's recommendation to purchase 3 new computers for the Natural Gas, Administration, and Communications Departments. Motion passed with Commissioners Anne Boyle, Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Tim Schram, and Jerry Vap voting AYE.

The meeting adjourned at 10:15 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 April 24, 2012 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 23, 2012.

Chairman

Executive Director