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Notice was duly published January 17, 2017 on Page 3 of The Daily Record that the regular public meeting of the Commissioners of the Nebraska Public Service Commission would be held on January 24, 2017 at 10:00 a.m. in the Commission Hearing Room, 300 The Atrium, 1200 N Street, Lincoln.

Chairman Tim Schram 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. Chairman Schram 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, January 31, 2017:

10:00 Commission Hearing Room, Lincoln
Commission Meeting

11:00 Commission Hearing Room, Lincoln
Rule and Regulation #198 In the Matter of the Commission, on its own motion, seeking to amend Title 291, Chapter 7, Transmission Lines Rules and Regulations, to adopt the 2017 edition of the National Electrical Safety Code as the official rules of the Commission for the construction, operation, and maintenance of overhead and under-ground electric transmission lines. Commissioner Rod Johnson presiding as Hearing Officer.

COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT

C-4890 In the Matter of the Commission on its own motion, seeking to determine the surcharge for the statewide Telecommunications Relay System (TRS) to be effective July 1, 2017, in the State of Nebraska: Motion made by Commissioner Rod Johnson, seconded by Commissioner Crystal Rhoades, to enter an order opening the docket and setting a hearing for Tuesday, March 7, 2017, at 11:00 a.m. in the Commission Hearing Room, Lincoln. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Mary Ridder, Crystal Rhoades and Tim Schram voting AYE.

TELECOMMUNICATIONS INFRASTRUCTURE AND PUBLIC SAFETY DEPARTMENT

911-024.55 In the Matter of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, on its own motion, seeking to develop policies and process requests for access to GIS data and the GIS Repository: Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services: Motion made by Commissioner Frank Landis, seconded by Commissioner Rod Johnson, to enter an order granting access. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Mary Ridder, Crystal Rhoades and Tim Schram voting AYE.

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TELECOMMUNICATIONS INFRASTRUCTURE AND PUBLIC SAFETY DEPARTMENT (Cont.)

911-042.58 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: Region 26 Council: Motion made by Commissioner Rod Johnson, seconded by Commissioner Crystal Rhoades, to enter an order approving funding request. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Mary Ridder, Crystal Rhoades and Tim Schram voting AYE.

NATURAL GAS DEPARTMENT

NG-0078.3 In the Matter of Black Hills Distribution, LLC, d/b/a Black Hills Energy seeking authority to increase the Safety and Integrity Charges and decrease the Pipeline and Safety Charges in its Nebraska Tariff. Commissioner Frank Landis presiding as Hearing Officer: Motion made by Commissioner Frank Landis, seconded by Commissioner Mary Ridder, to enter Final Order. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Mary Ridder and Tim Schram voting AYE, and Commissioner Crystal Rhoades present not voting.

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 [LB 790, 2003]. Commissioner Frank Landis presiding as Hearing Officer: Motion made by Commissioner Frank Landis, seconded by Commissioner Rod Johnson, to enter Progression Order No. 54. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Mary Ridder, Crystal Rhoades and Tim Schram voting AYE.

E-2426 In the Matter of the Application of Burt County Public Power District, Tekamah, seeking authority to construct, operate and maintain an electric transmission line in Burt County, Nebraska: Motion made by Commissioner Frank Landis, seconded by Commissioner Mary Ridder, to enter an order granting application. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Mary Ridder, Crystal Rhoades and Tim Schram voting AYE.

LEGISLATIVE

Nichole Mulcahy discussed pending legislation.

GRAIN WAREHOUSE DEPARTMENT

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

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GRAIN WAREHOUSE DEPARTMENT (Cont.)

GD-2867 In the Matter of the application of Tinsley Grain, Inc., Neligh, Nebraska, seeking authority to operate as a grain dealer pursuant to Neb. Rev. State. § 75-903 (Reissue of 2009): Motion made by Commissioner Rod Johnson, seconded by Commissioner Mary Ridder, to enter an order granting the Grain Dealer License. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Mary Ridder, Crystal Rhoades and Tim Schram voting AYE.

GD-3014 In the Matter of the application of Jelinek Custom Cleaning Inc., Alliance, Nebraska, seeking authority to operate as a grain dealer pursuant to Neb. Rev. State. § 75-903 (Reissue of 2009): Motion made by Commissioner Mary Ridder, seconded by Commissioner Frank Landis, to enter an order granting the Grain Dealer License. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Mary Ridder, Crystal Rhoades and Tim Schram voting AYE.

GD-3016 In the Matter of the application of Paragon Ag Advisors, LLC, Silver Lake, Kansas, seeking authority to operate as a grain dealer pursuant to Neb. Rev. State. § 75-903 (Reissue of 2009): Motion made by Commissioner Rod Johnson, seconded by Commissioner Frank Landis, to enter an order granting the Grain Dealer License. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Mary Ridder, Crystal Rhoades and Tim Schram voting AYE.

GD-2648 In the Matter of Dallas Langley Trucking, Sidney, Nebraska: John Fecht reported the grain dealer license was cancelled as of January 9, 2017.

GD-2974 In the Matter of Harrold Terminal LLC, Harrold, South Dakota: John Fecht reported the grain dealer license was cancelled as of January 1, 2017.

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 Mary Ridder to approve the Executive Director's recommendation to approve Commission invoices. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Mary Ridder and Tim Schram voting AYE, and Commissioner Crystal Rhoades present not voting.

Cornhusker State Industries	\$	5,750.00
DAS-Personnel		581.44
Crystal Rhoades		237.56

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GENERAL ADMINISTRATION (Cont.)

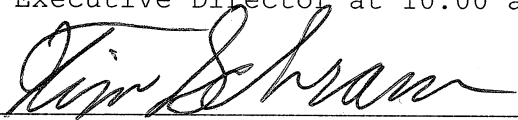
Motion made by Commissioner Frank Landis, seconded by Commissioner Rod Johnson, to approve the Executive Director's recommendation to approve the submission of the 911 Service System Progress Report to the Legislature. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Mary Ridder, Crystal Rhoades and Tim Schram voting AYE.

Motion made by Commissioner Rod Johnson, seconded by Commissioner Crystal Rhoades, to approve the Executive Director's recommendation for a motion to go into closed session to discuss personnel matters, the closed session being necessary for the protection of public interest or the prevention of needless injury to the reputation of an individual. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Mary Ridder, Crystal Rhoades and Tim Schram voting AYE.

The Chair restated that the purpose of the closed session is to discuss personnel matters. The closed session discussion will be so limited. The time was noted as: 10:24 a.m.

Motion made by Commissioner Rod Johnson, seconded by Commissioner Frank Landis to approve the Deputy Director's recommendation for a motion to return to open session. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Mary Ridder, Crystal Rhoades and Tim Schram voting AYE. The time was noted as: 11:20 a.m.

The meeting adjourned at 11:20 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 January 31, 2017 at 10:00 a.m. with an agenda to be available in the office of the Executive Director at 10:00 a.m. on January 30, 2017.



Chairman



Executive Director