

Notice was duly published February 21, 2017 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 February 28, 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 10:01 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, March 7, 2017:

10:00 Commission Hearing Room, Lincoln
Commission Meeting

11:00 Commission Hearing Room, Lincoln
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. Commissioner Tim Schram presiding as Hearing Officer.

NEBRASKA UNIVERSAL SERVICE FUND

NUSF-99.01 In the Matter of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, on its own motion, to Administer the Universal Service Fund High-Cost Program: CenturyLink Broadband Grant Request 2016. Motion made by Commissioner Rod Johnson, seconded by Commissioner Frank Landis, to enter an Order scheduling a Hearing for March 28, 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.

NUSF-99.02 In the Matter of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, on its own Motion, to administer the Universal Service Fund High-Cost Program: Citizens Telecommunications Company of Nebraska Broadband Grant Requests 2016. Motion made by Commissioner Frank Landis, seconded by Commissioner Rod Johnson, to enter an Order granting the application. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Mary Ridder, Crystal Rhoades and Tim Schram voting AYE.

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NEBRASKA UNIVERSAL SERVICE FUND (Cont.)

FCC 02-60 In the Matter of Rural Health Care Universal Service Support. Motion made by Commissioner Crystal Rhoades, seconded by Commissioner Rod Johnson, to approve a letter to the FCC regarding increasing the cap for rural health care. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Mary Ridder, Crystal Rhoades and Tim Schram voting AYE.

LEGISLATIVE

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GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

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

Motion made by Commissioner Frank Landis, 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.



DAS State Accounting-Network Services	\$	3,985.14
Brown Brothers		1,523.00

The following invoices were paid between February 22, 2017 and February 27, 2017 and should be ratified:

Copy Services	\$	1,595.53
Office Depot		870.20

Motion made by Commissioner Crystal Rhoades, seconded by Commissioner Rod Johnson, to approve the Executive Director's recommendation to authorize Steven G. Stovall to travel to and attend the Interstate TRS Fund Advisory Council meetings in Washington, D.C. on April 3-4, 2017, with all expenses to be paid by the Interstate TRS Fund. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Mary Ridder, Crystal Rhoades and Tim Schram voting AYE.

The meeting adjourned at 10:09 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 March 7, 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 March 6, 2017.

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