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Notice was duly published March 7, 2017 on Page 5 of The Daily Record that the regular public meeting of the Commissioners of the Nebraska Public Service Commission would be held on March 14, 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 proceeding:

Tuesday, March 21, 2017:

10:00 Commission Hearing Room, Lincoln
Commission Meeting

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; and

NG-0090 In the Matter of Black Hills/Nebraska Gas Utility, LLC, d/b/a Black Hills Energy, Papillion, seeking approval of a Farm Tap Safety Proposal and Associated Tariff.

Commissioner Rod Johnson presiding as Hearing Officer:

Motion made by Commissioner Mary Ridder, seconded by Commissioner Rod Johnson, to enter Assessment Orders. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Crystal Rhoades, Mary Ridder and Tim Schram voting AYE.

Scott Coburn reported a total number of 5 consumer complaints and inquiries received at the Commission during February. For each company: Black Hills Energy - 2; NorthWestern - 0; and other entities - 3. Commissioner Frank Landis inquired about reports from providers on use of cold weather rules.

LEGISLATIVE

Nichole Mulcahy informed the commission that LB 157 and LB 618 were placed on General File on March 8, 2017, and that LB 657 and LB 660 were indefinitely postponed on March 8, 2017.

Suzie Hinzman informed the Commission on the appropriations testimony.

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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 Frank Landis, 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.

State Accounting-Central Finance-Personnel	\$	1,792.80
State Accounting-Central Finance-IM Services		6,387.20
Fred Massing		3,019.00
Office Depot		1,407.16
Sprint Relay		23,052.25

Motion made by Commissioner Rod Johnson, seconded by Commissioner Mary Ridder, to approve the Executive Director's recommendation to approve Kent Pribyl to travel to modular housing unit manufacturer Wardcraft Homes, Inc., in Clay Center, KS, on Tuesday March 21, 2017, to perform a factory inspection of modular housing units, with all expenses, including time, to be reimbursed to the Commission by Wardcraft Homes, Inc. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Mary Ridder, Crystal Rhoades and Tim Schram voting AYE.

The meeting adjourned at 10:18 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 21, 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 20, 2017.



Chairman



Executive Director