

Kimball Board of Public Works
Regular Meeting
January 24, 2017

A regular meeting of the Board of Public Works was convened in open and public session at 4:15 p.m. on January 24, 2017 at the City Council Chambers. Board members Cederburg, Fossand, Porter, Rowley, and Robinson were present. Also present were Mayor Prunty, Police Chief Bremer, Electric Superintendent Hinton, Power Plant Superintendent Terrill, Water Superintendent Sisk, Landfill Superintendent Schulte, City Treasurer Sisk and City Clerk Russell. The public was represented.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance by publication in the Western Nebraska Observer. Notice of the meeting was given to the members and a copy of their acknowledgement of receipt of notice and the agenda is on record at the office of the City Clerk. Availability of the agenda was communicated in advance notice and in the notice to the members. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

Chairperson Cederburg called the meeting to order at 4:15 p.m. and acknowledged the posted Open Meetings Act. Cederburg indicated it is especially nice to see Keep Kimball Beautiful at the meeting and that all are on good terms for a change.

The Board of Public Works reviewed the following items under the consent agenda:

1. Minutes from the regular meeting of December 27, 2016
2. Claims;
3. Treasurer's Report from December 2016; and
4. Financial Reports from December 2016.

After discussion, Porter moved and Rowley seconded to approve the consent agenda. On roll call vote, the following votes were recorded on the electronic voting board. Aye: Cederburg, Fossand, Porter, Rowley, and Robinson. Nay: None. Absent: None. Motion passed.

Robinson moved and Fossand seconded that the current Chair (Cederburg) and Vice-chair (Rowley) be retained. On roll call vote, the following votes were recorded on the electronic voting board. Aye: Cederburg, Fossand, Porter, Rowley, and Robinson. Nay: None. Absent: None. Motion passed.

Cederburg opened discussion on a loan to the Police Department for a vehicle. Prunty spoke on behalf of the Police Department. The Police fleet is very bad and deteriorating and they would like to borrow up to \$30,000 from the utilities to purchase a new vehicle. Prunty indicated the vehicle will cost approximately \$31,000 and the Police Department just received a bid from Action Communications of \$4,700 to install the communication equipment on the vehicle. It is planned to purchase a 4 x 4 crew cab pick-up truck and the resale will be better than the Crown Victorias. Prunty indicated that Wolfe will match the State bid.

Robinson said he has some concerns about this. It has been done in the past, however, his concern is that the citizens were informed that the utility rates were raised because there is not enough revenue. Now there is enough to loan for a police vehicle. Robinson said he is concerned about the public perception.

Robinson inquired if they have discussed requesting Keno funds. Prunty indicated they are asking for permission for the loan right now but not for the money and Robinson said the Board can certainly give permission. Robinson added that public safety was what the Keno trust was initially set up for and if Keno money is an option, he would prefer the money come from that.

Porter commented that wouldn't the people in town be apt to accept it that the Police Department is struggling as much as they are and Robinson said it is a perception issue not an actual money issue. Porter said his view is slightly different and this would let people know the Police Department is suffering as much as they are. Robinson added that the advantage of using Keno money is that they would not have to pay it back.

There being no further discussion, Fossand moved and Porter seconded to agree to loan the money for the purchase of a police vehicle if the City Council chooses not to grant Keno funds. On roll call vote, the following votes were recorded on the electronic voting board. Aye: Cederburg, Fossand, Porter, Rowley, and Robinson. Nay: None. Absent: None. Motion passed.

Annette Brower, Keep Kimball Beautiful President, provided an update to the Board. KKB will be providing a monthly update from this point forward. She indicated KKB has received a resignation from the current KKB Director whose last day will be February 28, 2017. They are in the middle of finishing their quarterly reports.

Spud Rowley, KKB Manager, indicated their quarterly report information is due the middle of the month and they are going after a grant for the waste reduction. He said KKB will be attending the Economic Development Committee meeting to inquire about a grant.

Rowley reported they average 50 cubic yards of cardboard. He provided an update on the fence and indicated that everything has been purchased locally. As soon as the weather clears, they will be applying for the Main Street Improvement grant.

Discussion was held on the positions and Rowley indicated the KKB director position is still in place due to eligibility for grants. There is one Recycle Center assistant and Rowley's full time position. There will be some shifting around. Rowley spoke about the different education programs. Brower indicated that one of the grants they are submitting will pay for an extra employee so they have some shuffling to do.

Cederburg indicated that after meeting with KKB board members last week, he left the meeting feeling that the City and KKB have talked more about recycling in that 30 minute meeting than in the last two years. He added that there are things that can be done together to improve the recycling.

Cederburg opened discussion on a liaison to Keep Kimball Beautiful. Porter has expressed an interest in serving as a liaison.

There being no further discussion, Robinson moved and Rowley seconded to appoint Sonny Porter as the Board of Public Works liaison to Keep Kimball Beautiful. On roll call vote, the following votes were recorded on the electronic voting board. Aye: Cederburg, Fossand, Porter, Rowley, and Robinson. Nay: None. Absent: None. Motion passed.

Cederburg opened discussion on Resolution 2017-01 to amend rates for tree logs, branches, stumps, non-treated wood/pallets. He explained the amendment is to change the fee for mixed loads to \$6.00 and \$3.00 if the large branches are pulled out of the pile at the time of delivery.

There being no discussion, Robinson moved and Fossand seconded to approve the following resolution.

RESOLUTION 2017-01

WHEREAS, Resolution 2016-03 established fees/rates for the landfill and garbage collection services; and,

WHEREAS, Resolution 2016-03 also established rates for tree logs, branches, stumps, non-treated wood/pallets; and

WHEREAS, the aforementioned rates for tree logs, branched, stumps, non-treated wood/pallets have been amended.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY the governing body of the City of Kimball, Nebraska, the amended rates for tree logs, branches, stumps, non-treated wood/pallets, are as shown:

Tree Logs, Branches, Stumps, Non-treated wood/pallets:

\$ Free If can be processed by controlled burned. Must be small/short enough to completely burn through.

\$6.00 for mixed loads If the load contains material in the free category above and branches or logs greater than 10" in diameter

\$3.00 If all branches equal to or greater than 10" in diameter are pulled out of the pile at the time of delivery.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that any ordinance or resolution passed, approved and adopted prior to the passage and approval of this Resolution in conflict with its provisions is repealed as of February 1, 2017.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall take effect and be in full force from and after its passage and approval as required by law.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the provisions of this Resolution are separable, and the invalidity of any phase, clause, or part of this Resolution shall not affect the validity or effectiveness of the remainder of this resolution.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED THIS 24th day of January, 2017.

/s/ Chairperson

ATTEST:

/s/City Clerk

On roll call vote, the following votes were recorded on the electronic voting board. Aye: Cederburg, Fossand, Porter, Rowley, and Robinson. Nay: None. Absent: None. Motion passed.

Cederburg reported on the MEAN meeting he and Hinton recently attended. He spoke about MEAN's net increase of \$2.83 million for fiscal year 2016-2017 year to date. Cederburg indicated they have made some huge changes to personnel. ACE shows a net increase of \$86,000 and they will have a distribution this year of \$200,000. Kimball's share will be close to \$4,000. ACE is currently comprised of 73 communities.

Cederburg reported on the City of Kimball wind farm. The facility is 14 years old and there have been major component failures in recent years. At the MEAN meeting, the board has approved purchasing new power for the wind farm. Technology is much better than when the wind turbines were installed.

Cederburg commented on the Kimball Wind RFP sent out last year. Four bids were received and Sandhills Energy met all the requirements. Sandhills Energy proposed 30 MW total capacity with 12 turbines. They have partnered with Juhl Energy for funding and site development. Cederburg said that Exponential Engineering Company will assist the City of Kimball with this project. Cederburg presented a slide of the preliminary layout. He spoke about Sandhills Energy proposal and a transmission upgrade to 30 MW. The City will be working with the engineers to design a system that will handle the 30 MW. The City would retain ownership of the lines, but Sandhills Energy will pay for the upgrades.

Cederburg commented on the URGE test reliability slide and on the number of URGE tests that have been passed. As long as MEAN was paying for the fuel costs for testing, reliability was much better. The odds of being called to produce electricity is increasing, so MEAN will want a little more reliability. They are suggesting that quarterly testing be done.

Cederburg spoke on the Environmental Compliance reports that Terrill submits.

Cederburg commented on the issues at Torrington and using these issues as leverage for cities to have some reserves. Cederburg added that the Board voted to continue to consider the plant in Fort Morgan. It is a good project but not the right time.

The next meeting will be held on February 28, 2017 at 4:15 p.m.

There being no further business to come before the Board of Public Works, Robinson moved and Rowley seconded to adjourn the meeting at 5:00 p.m. On roll call vote, the following votes were recorded on the electronic voting board. Aye: Cederburg, Fossand, Porter, Rowley, and Robinson. Nay: None. Absent: None. Motion passed.

Chairperson

City Clerk

City of Kimball-Board of Public Works-Utility Claims-1-24-2017-Fairfield Inn & Suites-Lodging-207.92; Payroll Fund-Payroll Transfer - 41549.41; GreatAmerica Financial Services-Lease-365.00; Centurylink Communications, Inc.-Long Distance-74.23; Charter Communications-Internet Service-215.25; Connecting Point-Copy Usage-389.30; Intralinks, Inc.- Computer Support-56.25; NeoFunds-By Neopost-Postage-2,000.00; Simmons Olsen Law Firm, P.C.-Professional Services-298.00; Western Nebraska Observer-Meeting Notices-186.38; Prestige MFG.-Parts-3,956.50; Payroll Fund-Payroll Transfer-47,796.47; Amazon-Charges-310.34; Edie Ball-Reimbursement-323.60; CenturyLink-Telephone- 662.03; Days Inn Kimball-Lodging-213.36; Dan Dean-Reimbursement-68.04; High West Energy-Utilities-8,050.00; Kimball Insurance-Annual Premium-148,824.26; Viaero-Cell Phone-150.95; Visa-Firstier Bank-Charges-438.70; Accent Wire-Tie-Wire, Parts-2,824.90; Black Hills Energy-7,053.71; City of Kimball-Group Health-14,450.68; City of Kimball-Occupation Tax-10,753.48; City of Kimball-Transfer-576.73; City of Kimball-General Fund-Transfer-863.23; City of Kimball-Transfer-360.96;CityofKimball-Transfer-130.00; Combined Utilities-Utilities-193.62; CountryPrinter-Printing-625.00; Crescent Electric Supply Co.-Meters-3,796.01; Culligan -Rental- 32.20; DHHS Division of Public Health-Registration-50.00; Dollar General Corporation-Supplies-35.60; Embassy Suites Hotel-Lodging-208.50; Exponential Engineering, Co.-Professional Services-545.00; Farabee Mechanical Inc.-Repairs-5,209.83; Frenchman Valley Coop-Fuel-1,039.64; Grainger-Part-461.35; Hometown Hardware-Supplies-514.63; Ideal Linen Supply, Inc.-Mats-53.54; Keep Kimball Beautiful-Monthly-2,000.00; Kimball Auto Parts-Parts-753.30; Kimball Health Services-Screening-88.20; Kimball Service Center-Vehicle Maintenance-42.85; LorRon Department Store-Foul Weather Clothing-445.36; MEAN-Billing-153,165.94; Midwest Laboratories, Inc.-Testing-64.00; Municipal Automation & Control- Repairs-1,107.18; Napa Auto Parts-Supplies-1,076.25; Nebraska Dept. of Environmental Quality-Solid Waste Payment- 595.31; Nebraska Public Health Enviro Lab-Water Samples-30.00; Northwest Pipe Fitting, Inc. of S.B.-Valves-869.72; OFP Services, Inc.-Part-9.25; One Call Concepts-Locates-59.76; Panhandle Coop-Propane-1,387.41; Panhandle Coop Association-Supplies-22.95; Powerplan-Maintenance-425.04; Prestige MFG.-Welding-332.50; Recovery Systems Co., Inc. -Parts-890.00; Respond First Aid Systems-

Supplies-23.16; Revize LLC-Subscription-1,200.00; Robinson Electric-Motor- 157.98; Scottsbluff Screenprinting-Embroidery-40.00; Wayne & Kimberly Sharples-Refund-42.81; Shopko Stores Operating Co.-Supplies-81.52; State Industrial Products-Supplies-557.26; Unique Technique Inc.-Professional Services-2,000.00; Vermeer High Plains-Element-168.77; WPCI-Screening/Review-28.50; Water Environment Federation-Membership-83.00; Wesco Distribution Receivables Corp.-Lights-2,711.38.