

The Harlan Municipal Utilities' Board of Trustees met in regular session, February 22, 2018, pursuant to the rules and regulations as set forth in the office of the Secretary. Present were Trustees: Michael P. Jones, Terry Arentson, and Connie Wees.. Absent: David Tyrrel and Nella Seivert. Staff Present: Kenneth C. Weber, Darwin Gessert, Jennifer Kelly, Doug Hammer and Jim Gedwillo. Media: Steve Mores. City: Gene Gettys. Legal Counsel: Matt Hudson. Special Guests: None.

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m. in the HMU Boardroom by Board Member Arentson.

Moved by Jones, seconded by Wees, to approve the agenda.

Moved by Jones, seconded by Wees, to approve the consent agenda which included: A) Approve Minutes of the Board Meeting of February 8, 2018; B) Approve Abstract of Claims No. 1113 in the amount of \$1,548,205.98 and payment of same; C) Reminder of Next Board Meeting Dates of March 8, 2018 [Electronic]; and March 29, 2018 [Regular]. A roll call vote was taken on the motion as follows: Jones – Aye; Wees – Aye and Arentson – Aye. Motion carried unanimously. Tyrrel approved the consent agenda in absentia.

Moved by Jones, seconded by Wees, to receive and file the 2018-2019 fiscal year budget. A roll call vote was taken on the motion as follows: Jones – Aye; Wees – Aye; and Arentson – Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Jones, seconded by Wees, to approve the Resolution to Provide for a Notice of Hearing and Letting, Accepting of Bids and Form of Contract for the 2018 East Substation Voltage Conversion Project.. A roll call vote was taken on the motion as follows: Jones – Aye; Wees – Aye; and Arentson – Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Jones, seconded by Wees, to approve the Engagement Letter to hire PFM to provide a cash flow analysis. A roll call vote was taken on the motion as follows: Jones – Aye; Wees – Aye; and Arentson – Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Jones, seconded by Wees, to approve the non-budgeted item of a gas main extension to supply a new grain dryer on Exchange Street. The estimated cost will be \$90,000 and the owner will pay \$15,000 of that plus a tapping fee. A roll call vote was taken on the motion as follows: Jones – Aye; Wees – Aye; and Arentson – Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Jones, seconded by Wees, to approve the Performance Agreement with the City of Harlan for relocating utility services (electric, gas and conduit for fiber) at the Harlan Plaza Development with the estimated cost not to exceed \$110,000. A roll call vote was taken on the motion as follows: Jones – Aye; Wees – Aye; and Arentson – Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Jones, seconded by Wees, to approve the Northern Natural Gas transportation contract extension through 2023. A roll call vote was taken on the motion as follows: Jones – Aye; Wees – Aye; and Arentson – Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Jones, seconded by Wees, to approve the agreement for MCR to assist with the Attachment H filing which determines HMU's annual transmission revenue requirements in the Southwest Power Pool and authorize Kenneth Weber to sign agreement. A roll call vote was taken on the motion as follows: Jones – Aye; Wees – Aye; and Arentson – Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Reports were given by the Directors and CEO.

Moved by Jones, seconded by Wees, to enter closed session pursuant to Iowa Code 21.5(c) To discuss strategy with counsel in matters that are presently in litigation or where litigation is imminent where its disclosure would be likely to prejudice or disadvantage the position of the governmental body in that litigation. A roll call vote was taken on the motion as follows: Jones – Aye; Wees – Aye; and Arentson – Aye. Motion carried unanimously. Jennifer Kelly will take minutes during the closed session. Closed session was entered at 4:38 pm. Moved by Jones, seconded by Wees, to exit closed session at 5:03 pm. A roll call vote was taken on the motion as follows: Jones – Aye; Wee – Aye; and Arentson – Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned.

These minutes are as recorded by the Secretary and are subject to approval at the next meeting of the Board of Trustees.

CHAIRPERSON, David Tyrrel (*term 2023*)

VICE-CHAIRPERSON, Nella Seivert (*term 2018*)

TRUSTEE, Michael P. Jones (*term 2019*)

TRUSTEE, Terry Arentson (*term 2021*)

TRUSTEE, Connie Wees (*term 2022*)