

Minutes
Board of Public Works
July 7, 2025

The Board of Public Works of the City of Tecumseh, Nebraska met in regular session in the Utilities Conference Room, Council Chambers on the 7th day of July, 2025 at 4:00 p.m., in a publicly convened session, the same being open to the public and having been preceded by advance publicized notice, a copy of the same showing the advance time by which such advance publicized notice was given, a statement of how the availability of an agenda of then known subjects was communicated and the time and specific place of the holding of this meeting. Each member was previously furnished with a copy of said advance publicized notice, the same having been transmitted to each member simultaneously with its publicized notice. The Chair presided and the City Clerk recorded the proceedings.

The following members of the Board of Public Works were present: Mark Badertscher, Dan Blessing, Charles Murphy. Absent: Others present: 3 staff members.

Meeting called to order at 4:00 P.M.

Chairman Blessing read the statement of availability of current copy of the Open Meetings Act.

Minutes of the June 16, 2025 meetings were provided to members. Motion by Murphy, second by Badertscher to approve minutes. Voting Aye: Badertscher, Blessing, Murphy. Voting Nay: None. Absent: Motion Carried.

Payment of Bills – Motion by Murphy, second by Badertscher to approve the payment of bills. Voting Aye: Badertscher, Blessing, Murphy. Voting Nay: None. Absent: Motion Carried.

Water/Waste Water Report- Jeremy Griepenstroh: ☐ All Routine samples passed. 19 Locates. 2 Read and leave on. 1 Turn off. 1 Turn on. Started New Chlorine pump to test. Repaired 12" main North of Hwy 41 and Hwy 50 intersection. Repaired 10" main ½ mi. North of Hwy 41 and 620 Ave. Keith with Sargent Replaced Valve at water tower. Pumped approximately 27,861,733 gallons, an average of 898,766 gal. per day. ☐ Approximately 23,059,481 gallons were processed through the wastewater system. MBA pumped approx. 12,253,368 gallons of wastewater into the treatment plant. TSCI pumped approx. 4,919,975 gallons of wastewater into the treatment plant. Cleaned Clarifier 3 times. Jetted multiple locations. Quarterly Samples for MBA and TSCI.

Utility Foremen's Report – Doug Goracke: We were awarded NDEE grid Resiliency Grant, \$851,358 NDEE, our match 467,919. Total \$1,319,277. This will be used for upgrades to substation. Storm damage, several outages. Water main break on 10" north of town. Digging up water main by plant for tap for cooling project. About a week of work left for JCH transfer. Wellhead protection draft for approval. Cypress operating board nearly installed. Engine #2 back in service Air permit complete. New Gen units permit nearing approval.

Form Wage Committee-1 Representative from BPW. Chuck Murphy will be the BPW member to serve this year.

Consider sewer repair cost from 307 Clay Street. Motion by Badertscher to deny payment on sewer repair cost, second by Blessing. Voting Aye: Badertscher, Blessing, Murphy. Voting Nay: None. Absent: Motion Carried.

Consider Proposal for Air Quality Operating Permit Renewal for Operating Engines for Electrical Generation at the Tecumseh municipal Power Plant- \$19,000. Motion by Blessing to approve proposal, second by Murphy. Voting Aye: Badertscher, Blessing, Murphy. Voting Nay: None. Absent: Motion Carried.

Consider approval of Pay Application No.3 from Farabee Mechanical for Power Plant Project-\$703,869.91. Motion by Murphy, second by Badertscher to approve Pay Application No. 3. Voting Aye: Badertscher, Blessing, Murphy. Voting Nay: None. Absent: Motion Carried.

Approve and recommend to City Council Wellhead Protection Plan. Motion by Murphy, second by Badertscher to approve and recommend Plan. Voting Aye: Badertscher, Blessing, Murphy. Voting Nay: None. Absent: Motion Carried.

Review Delinquent Accounts

Meeting adjourned at 4:27 p.m.

Janelle Moran, City Clerk

Dan Blessing, Chairman