

The Harlan Municipal Utilities' Board of Trustees met in regular session Thursday, January 9, 2003, pursuant to the rules and regulations as set forth in the office of the Secretary. Present were Trustees Craig Kroger, Kathleen Kohorst, Allen Burchett, W. A. "Pat" Pattison and Peter Horne. Absent: None.

The meeting was called to order at 4:02 p.m. in the HMU boardroom by Chairman Kohorst.

Moved by Horne, seconded by Pattison, to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Pattison, seconded by Kroger, to approve the Consent Agenda which included: A) Approve minutes of regular board meeting of December 26, 2002; B) Approve Abstract of Claims No. 755 in the amount of \$186,171.71 and payment of same. C) Approve next board meeting date of January 23, 2003. A roll call vote was taken on the motion as follows: Kohorst - Aye; Burchett - Aye; Kroger - Aye; Pattison - Aye; and Horne - Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Pattison, seconded by Horne to elect Allen Burchett as Chairman and Craig Kroger as Vice-Chairman. Motion carried unanimously.

Chair asked if there had been any written or oral comments to the proposed rate increase. The Secretary announced there had been none. Chair asked if anyone at the meeting had any comments regarding the electric rate increase. None were forthcoming. Chair asked for a motion to proceed with the rate increase per prior board resolution.

Moved by Pattison, seconded by Horne to proceed with the electric rate increase. The increase will be 10% on the service charge and 5.41% on the commodity charge with a \$50.00 per month charge to Tennant, with the anticipation of raising an additional \$209,770.00 of revenue. A roll call vote was taken on the motion as follows: Kohorst - Aye; Burchett - Aye; Kroger - Aye; Pattison - Aye; and Horne - Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Horne, seconded by Kroger to waive any further readings of the above resolution. A roll call vote was taken on the motion as follows: Kohorst - Aye; Burchett - Aye; Kroger - Aye; Pattison - Aye; and Horne - Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Chair asked if there had been any written or oral objections to the issuance of not to exceed \$1,600,000.00 of Electric Revenue Bonds. Secretary replied that to his knowledge there had not been. Chair opened the floor to any comments from the people in attendance of this public meeting. None were forthcoming.

Moved by Horne, seconded by Kroger to approve the Resolution Fixing Date for Public Meeting on the Proposition of the Issuance of Not to Exceed \$1,600,000.00 Electric Revenue Bonds of Harlan, Iowa and Providing for Publication of Notice Thereof. A roll call vote was taken on the motion as follows: Kohorst - Aye; Burchett - Aye; Kroger - Aye; Pattison - Aye; and Horne - Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Chair announced that the bids for the issuance of Electric Taxable and Non-Taxable Revenue Bonds were to be received today. She announced that Jon Burmeister of Public Financial Management was here to present the bids. Jon addressed the Board and first opened the bids for the tax-exempt bonds giving the true interest rate of each bidder as follows: Bernardi Securities of Chicago, Illinois, at 2.9126%; Ruan Securities Corp. of Des Moines and Shelby County State Bank, Harlan, Iowa, at 2.9188%; Bankers Bank of Madison, Wisconsin at 2.9574%; and Robert W. Baird & Co. from Milwaukee, Wisconsin, at 2.7566%. Jon recommended to the Board that they accept the low bid by Robert W. Baird & Co.

Moved by Burchett seconded by Pattison to accept the low bid of \$976,838.85 of electric revenue bonds. A roll call vote was taken on the motion as follows: Kohorst - Aye; Burchett - Aye; Kroger - Aye; Pattison - Aye; and Horne - Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Jon Burmeister opened the taxable bond bids. The true interest rate from each bidder is as follows: Bankers Bank of Madison, Wisconsin, at 3.2464%; Ruan Securities of Des Moines, Iowa, and Shelby County State Bank, Harlan, Iowa, at 3.4082%; Bernardi Securities of Chicago, Illinois, at 4.4044%. Jon suggested they accept the low bid from Bankers Bank.

Moved by Burchett, seconded by Pattison to accept the low bid of \$488,040.00 of electric revenue bond. A roll call vote was taken on the motion as follows: Kohorst - Aye; Burchett - Aye; Kroger - Aye; Pattison - Aye; and Horne - Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Bids were opened for the Three-Year Audits at 11:00 a.m. on January 9, 2003, by Tom Gaffigan, Larry Link and Craig Kroger. Moved by Pattison, seconded by Horne to go with Muxfeldt & Associates since they are our utility customer, to keep the business in town and for the convenience of contacting them. Motion carried unanimously (4 to 1).

Discussion was held regarding the request from APPA of \$1,000.00 of continued funding of campaign for Local Control.

Moved by Pattison, seconded by Horne to send APPA their request. Motion carried unanimously.

Chair asked Tom to address the 2003-2004 budgets. Discussion was held.

Burchett moved to receive and file this budget information and review in more detail at the next board meeting. No second.

Horne suggested doing an analysis of the bonding information such as Jon Burmeister presented in his bonding proposal and stay in touch with his numbers, which are critical to the new bonding.

The meeting was adjourned.

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CHAIRMAN, Kathleen Kohorst

TRUSTEE, W. A. "Pat" Pattison

TRUSTEE, Allen Burchett

TRUSTEE, Craig Kroger

TRUSTEE, Peter N. Horne

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HARLAN MUNICIPAL UTILITIES

February 13, 2003

The Harlan Municipal Utilities' Board of Trustees met in regular session Thursday, February 13, 2003, pursuant to the rules and regulations as set forth in the office of the Secretary. Present were Trustees Craig Kroger, Kathleen Kohorst, Allen Burchett, and W. A. "Pat" Pattison. Absent: Peter Horne.

The meeting was called to order at 4:05 p.m. in the HMU boardroom by Trustee Kroger.

Moved by Pattison, seconded by Kohorst, to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously. (Burchett not yet present)

Moved by Kohorst, seconded by Pattison, to approve the Consent Agenda which included: A) Approve minutes of regular board meeting of January 23, 2003; B) Approve Abstract of Claims No. 757 in the amount of \$1,533,068.41 and payment of same. C) Approve next board meeting date of March 13, 2003. A roll call vote was taken on the motion as follows: Kohorst - Aye; Kroger - Aye; and Pattison - Aye. Motion carried unanimously. (Burchett not yet present)

Moved by Pattison, seconded by Kohorst, to update and approve General Policy #2, which states that the Harlan Municipal Utilities will meet in regular session on the second and fourth Thursday of each month. Special meetings or rescheduling of regular meetings may be called for by the Chairperson on an as needed basis. Notice of board meetings will be given as required by law. Motion carried unanimously. (Burchett not yet present)

Shelby County DevelopSource gave a presentation on Target Marketing.

Larry Link went over the financial performance goals for the year ending December 31, 2002.

Service Beyond the Meter was moved to next board meeting.

Moved by Kohorst, seconded by Pattison, to adopt the Resolutions Declaring an Official Intent Under Treasury Regulation 1.150-2 to Issue Debt to Reimburse the City for Certain Original Expenditures Paid in Connection with Specified Projects for the Iowa Stored Energy Project and TRANSLINK Transmission Project. Kohorst - Aye; Kroger - Aye; Burchett - Aye; and Pattison - Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Report by Doug Hammer, Director of Marketing and Stakeholder Relations.

Following the Chief Executive Officer's Report the meeting was adjourned.

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CHAIRMAN, Allen Burchett

TRUSTEE, W. A. "Pat" Pattison

TRUSTEE, Kathleen Kohorst

TRUSTEE, Craig Kroger

TRUSTEE, Peter N. Horne

The Harlan Municipal Utilities' Board of Trustees met in regular session Thursday, March 13, 2003, pursuant to the rules and regulations as set forth in the office of the Secretary. Present were Trustees Craig Kroger, Kathleen Kohorst, Allen Burchett, Peter Horne and W. A. "Pat" Pattison. Absent: None.

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m. in the HMU boardroom by Chairman Burchett.

Moved by Pattison, seconded by Kroger, to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Kroger, seconded by Pattison, to approve the Consent Agenda which included: A) Approve minutes of regular board meeting of February 13, 2003; B) Approve Abstract of Claims No. 758 in the amount of \$867,780.64 and payment of same; C) Approve Abstract of Claims No. 759 in the amount of \$225,899.85 and payment of same; D) Approve next board meeting date of March 27, 2003. A roll call vote was taken on the motion as follows: Kohorst - Aye; Kroger - Aye; Pattison - Aye; Horne - Aye and Burchett - Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Horne, seconded by Kohorst to accept the Insurance Committee's recommendation to reduce by 12% the funding of the group insurance self-insured plan effective July 1, 2003. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Horne, seconded by Kroger to approve the Insurance Committee's recommendation to extend health insurance coverage an additional 90 days for a dependent child after age 19, or when no longer a full-time student or upon graduating from a post high school accredited school. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Kohorst, seconded by Pattison to approve the increase of the MAN Access Fee of an additional \$240.00 per year, (\$20.00 per month). Motion carried unanimously.

Tom Gaffigan addressed the Board with the issue of leasing vs. buying new computers. He indicated that HMU would like to go ahead with leasing the equipment. Board gave approval to proceed with having a needs analysis performed and proceed accordingly. Pete indicated that we may want to look at the possibility of leasing the boom truck to save capital.

Moved by Kohorst, seconded by Kroger to proceed with researching offering over the counter credit card payment service. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Pattison, seconded by Horne to approve the Electric Primary Metering Policy for Commercial and Industrial Customers. This policy states that HMU will provide single point primary metering for a customer with one or more service transformers served by the primary metering point; customer will reimburse HMU for the expense of the installation, and any future upgrade, expansion or relocation of any facilities located beyond the metering point; HMU will retain ownership and maintenance of all primary cable and materials and all service transformers; the electric service rate for this installation shall be the normal electric rate schedule for this class of customer; and customer benefit is achieved through the single metering point. Motion carried unanimously.

Following the Chief Executive Officer's Report the meeting was adjourned.

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CHAIRMAN, Allen Burchett

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TRUSTEE, Kathleen Kohorst

TRUSTEE, Craig Kroger

TRUSTEE, Peter N. Horne

The Harlan Municipal Utilities' Board of Trustees met in regular session Thursday, March 27, 2003, pursuant to the rules and regulations as set forth in the office of the Secretary. Present were Trustees Craig Kroger, Kathleen Kohorst, Allen Burchett, Peter Horne and W. A. "Pat" Pattison. Absent: None.

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m. in the HMU boardroom by Chairman Burchett.

Moved by Pattison, seconded by Kroger, to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Kroger, seconded by Horne, to approve the Consent Agenda which included: A) Approve minutes of regular board meeting of March 13, 2003; B) Approve Abstract of Claims No. 760 in the amount of \$855,419.89 and payment of same; C) Approve next board meeting date of April 10, 2003. A roll call vote was taken on the motion as follows: Kroger – Aye; Pattison – Aye; Horne – Aye and Burchett - Aye. Motion carried unanimously. Kohorst not yet present.

No bids received for the sale of the 1997 Chevrolet Cheyenne 3500 Basket Truck.

Motioned by Pattison, seconded by Kohorst to purchase two Padmount Electric Transformers from Burmeister Electric for \$3,215.00 each. The other bids were as follows: Rosco, \$3,801.00 each and Wesco, \$3,865.00 each. Motion carried unanimously.

Following the Chief Executive Officer's Report the meeting was adjourned.

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CHAIRMAN, Allen Burchett

TRUSTEE, W. A. "Pat" Pattison

TRUSTEE, Kathleen Kohorst

TRUSTEE, Craig Kroger

TRUSTEE, Peter N. Horne

The Harlan Municipal Utilities' Board of Trustees met in regular session Thursday, April 10, 2003, pursuant to the rules and regulations as set forth in the office of the Secretary. Present were Trustees Craig Kroger, Kathleen Kohorst, and W. A. "Pat" Pattison. Absent: Allen Burchett and Peter N. Horne.

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m. in the HMU boardroom by Trustee Kroger.

Moved by Pattison, seconded by Kohorst, to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Kohorst, seconded by Pattison, to approve the Consent Agenda which included: A) Approve minutes of regular board meeting of March 27, 2003; B) Approve Abstract of Claims No. 761 in the amount of \$506,049.18 and payment of same; C) Approve next board meeting date of April 24, 2003. A roll call vote was taken on the motion as follows: Kroger – Aye; Pattison – Aye; Kohorst – Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Kohorst, seconded by Pattison to approve the budget amendments for the fiscal year 2002-2003. Motion carried unanimously.

Following the Chief Executive Officer's Report the meeting was adjourned.

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CHAIRMAN, Allen Burchett

TRUSTEE, W. A. "Pat" Pattison

TRUSTEE, Kathleen Kohorst

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TRUSTEE, Peter N. Horne

The Harlan Municipal Utilities' Board of Trustees met in regular session Thursday, April 24, 2003, pursuant to the rules and regulations as set forth in the office of the Secretary. Present were Trustees Allen Burchett, Craig Kroger, Kathleen Kohorst and Peter N. Horne. Absent: W.A. "Pat" Pattison.

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m. in the HMU boardroom by Chairman Burchett.

Moved by Horne, seconded by Kroger, to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Kroger, seconded by Horne, to approve the Consent Agenda which included: A) Approve minutes of regular board meeting of April 10, 2003; B) Approve Abstract of Claims No. 762 in the amount of \$764,425.13 and payment of same; C) Approve next board meeting date of May 8, 2003. A roll call vote was taken on the motion as follows: Kroger – Aye; Horne – Aye; Kohorst – Aye and Burchett - Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Kohorst, seconded by Horne to allow the rollover of Tom Gaffigan's vacation into next year. A roll call vote was taken on the motion as follows: Kroger – Aye; Horne – Aye; Kohorst – Aye and Burchett - Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Following the Chief Executive Officer's Report the meeting was adjourned.

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

CHAIRMAN, Allen Burchett

TRUSTEE, W. A. "Pat" Pattison

TRUSTEE, Kathleen Kohorst

TRUSTEE, Craig Kroger

TRUSTEE, Peter N. Horne

The Harlan Municipal Utilities' Board of Trustees met in regular session Thursday, May 8, 2003, pursuant to the rules and regulations as set forth in the office of the Secretary. Present were Trustees Allen Burchett, Craig Kroger, Kathleen Kohorst and W.A. "Pat" Pattison. Absent: Peter N. Horne.

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m. in the HMU boardroom by Chairman Burchett.

Moved by Pattison, seconded by Kroger, to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Kohorst, seconded by Pattison, to approve the Consent Agenda which included: A) Approve minutes of regular board meeting of April 24, 2003; B) Approve Abstract of Claims No. 763 in the amount of \$244,719.47 and payment of same; C) Approve next board meeting date of May 22, 2003. A roll call vote was taken on the motion as follows: Kroger – Aye; Pattison – Aye; Kohorst – Aye and Burchett - Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Pattison, seconded by Kohorst, to approve the Resolution to Provide for Notice of Hearing on Proposed Drawings and Specifications and Proposed Form of Contract and the Estimate of Cost of Construction of a Water System Interconnection Project with Regional Water, Inc. and the Taking of Bids Therefore. A roll call vote was taken on the motion as follows: Kroger – Aye; Pattison – Aye; Kohorst – Aye and Burchett - Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Kohorst, seconded by Kroger, to accept the high bid for the 1997 Chevrolet Cheyenne 3500 Basket Truck. The high bid was received from Dan Wingert in the amount of \$14,500.00. There was only one other bid received from Jayme Arkfeld in the amount of \$11,100.00. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Kohorst, seconded by Kroger, to approve the Capacity and Energy Contract and the Firm Transmission Service Agreement between MidAmerican Energy and Harlan Municipal Utilities subject to further review by legal counsel. A roll call vote was taken on the motion as follows: Kroger – Aye; Pattison – Aye; Kohorst – Aye and Burchett - Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Kohorst, seconded by Pattison, for the telephone utility to pay back interest up-to-date to the gas and electric utilities. There will also be an amortization schedule set-up for a fifteen-year pay back. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Pattison, seconded by Kohorst to approve the proposed cable television rate increase. A roll call vote was taken on the motion as follows: Kroger – Aye; Pattison – Aye; Kohorst – Aye and Burchett - Aye. Motion carried unanimously. Upon further discussion with legal counsel it was brought to the attention of Harlan Municipal Utilities that there must be a resolution and public hearing on the aforementioned matter. The "Resolution to Approve Cable TV Rate Increase & Fix a Time and Place of Public Hearing on the Proposed Rate Increase" will be discussed on May 13, 2003, at 8:00 a.m. at a special board meeting.

The meeting was adjourned.

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CHAIRMAN, Allen Burchett

TRUSTEE, W. A. "Pat" Pattison

TRUSTEE, Kathleen Kohorst

TRUSTEE, Craig Kroger

TRUSTEE, Peter N. Horne

The Harlan Municipal Utilities' Board of Trustees met in special session Tuesday, May 13, 2003, pursuant to the rules and regulations as set forth in the office of the Secretary. Present were Trustees Allen Burchett, Craig Kroger, Kathleen Kohorst and W.A. "Pat" Pattison. Absent: Peter N. Horne.

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 a.m. in the HMU boardroom by Chairman Burchett.

Moved by Kate, seconded by Kroger, to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Pattison, seconded by Kroger, to approve the "Resolution to Approve Cable TV Rate Increase & Fix a Time and Place of Public Hearing on the Proposed Rate Increase". The public hearing will be held on May 22, 2003, at 4:00 p.m. in the boardroom in the office of the Harlan Municipal Utilities. A roll call vote was taken on the motion as follows: Kroger – Aye; Pattison – Aye; Kohorst – Aye and Burchett - Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned.

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CHAIRMAN, Allen Burchett

TRUSTEE, W. A. "Pat" Pattison

TRUSTEE, Kathleen Kohorst

TRUSTEE, Craig Kroger

TRUSTEE, Peter N. Horne

HARLAN MUNICIPAL UTILITIES

May 22, 2003

The Harlan Municipal Utilities' Board of Trustees met in regular session Thursday, May 22 2003, pursuant to the rules and regulations as set forth in the office of the Secretary. Present were Trustees Allen Burchett, Craig Kroger, Kathleen Kohorst. Peter Horne called in at 4:10 p.m. Absent: W.A. "Pat" Pattison.

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m. in the HMU boardroom by Chairman Burchett.

Moved by Kohorst, seconded by Kroger, to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Kroger, seconded by Kohorst, to approve the Consent Agenda which included: A) Approve minutes of regular board meeting of May 8, 2003; B) Approve minutes of special board meeting of May 13, 2003; C) Approve Abstract of Claims No. 764 in the amount of \$546,327.22 and payment of same; D) Approve next board meeting date of June 12, 2003. A roll call vote was taken on the motion as follows: Kroger – Aye; Kohorst – Aye and Burchett - Aye. Motion carried unanimously. Horne not yet present.

Moved by Kroger, seconded by Burchett, to approve the use of facsimile signatures on all checks, contingent upon opinions from Muxfeldt & Associates and Robert W. Hall. All checks would now have two signatures. Opinions from Muxfeldt & Associates and Robert W. Hall will be discussed at the next board meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Kohorst, seconded by Kroger, to open the Public Hearing on the Proposed Cable TV Rate Increase. There were not any objections, written or oral. A roll call vote was taken on the motion as follows: Kroger – Aye; Kohorst – Aye; Burchett – Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Kohorst, seconded by Horne, to approve the Resolution Approving Cable TV Rate Increase. The rates will increase as follows: Basic cable service will increase by \$.49 per month, expanded basic cable service will increase by \$1.99 per month, and the bulk subscriber rate will increase by \$.95. This rate increase will be effective July 1, 2003. A roll call vote was taken on the motion as follows: Kroger – Aye; Kohorst – Aye; Burchett – Aye and Horne – Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Horne, seconded by Kroger, to waive the requirement of two further readings of the Resolution Approving Cable TV Rate Increase. A roll call vote was taken on the motion as follows: Kroger – Aye; Kohorst – Aye; Burchett – Aye and Horne – Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned.

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CHAIRMAN, Allen Burchett

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The Harlan Municipal Utilities' Board of Trustees met in regular session Thursday, June 12, 2003, pursuant to the rules and regulations as set forth in the office of the Secretary. Present were Trustees Craig Kroger and W.A. "Pat" Pattison. Allen Burchett was present via telephone. Absent: Peter Horne and Kathleen Kohorst.

The meeting was called to order at 4:02 p.m. in the HMU boardroom by Trustee Kroger.

Moved by Pattison, seconded by Burchett, to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Burchett, seconded by Pattison, to approve the Consent Agenda which included: A) Approve minutes of regular board meeting of May 22, 2003; B) Approve Abstract of Claims No. 765 in the amount of \$218,354,22 and payment of same; C) Approve next board meeting date of June 26, 2003. A roll call vote was taken on the motion as follows: Kroger – Aye; Pattison – Aye and Burchett - Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Pattison, seconded by Burchett, to approve the resolution provided by the Shelby County State Bank for facsimile signatures. A roll call vote was taken on the motion as follows: Kroger – Aye; Pattison – Aye and Burchett - Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Pattison, seconded by Burchett, to approve changing the charge for after hours reconnection from our current rate of \$35.00 to \$50.00. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Pattison, seconded by Burchett, to approve the charge of \$25.00 for posting of a shut-off notice. There will be one shut-off notice charge per twelve-month billing period that will be forgiven. Motion carried unanimously.

Tom indicated that we had three bids on the Water System Interconnection Project Modification Bid that were due by 1:00 P.M. on June 11, 2003. Ted McIntyre (McIntyre Consulting), Terry Derby, Steven Dresen and Larry Link were present for the opening of bids. Also present were representatives of two of the companies presenting the bids. The companies presenting the bids were Lawson Construction, Kirksville, Missouri; McCarthy Trenching, Avoca, Iowa; and C.L. Carroll Company, Inc., Des Moines, Iowa. The low bid was received from Lawson Construction, however, after further review by McIntyre Consulting there was a discrepancy in the bid which will need a legal opinion. Legal counsel, Robert W. Hall is out of town so results will be discussed at the next board meeting.

Following the Chief Executive Officer's report the meeting was adjourned.

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CHAIRMAN, Allen Burchett

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The meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m. in the HMU boardroom by Chairman Burchett.

Moved by Kohorst, seconded by Pattison, to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Kroger, seconded by Pattison, to approve the Consent Agenda which included: A) Approve minutes of regular board meeting of June 12, 2003; B) Approve Abstract of Claims No. 766 in the amount of \$546,027.88 and payment of same; C) Approve next board meeting date of July 10, 2003. A roll call vote was taken on the motion as follows: Kroger – Aye; Pattison – Aye, Kohorst - Aye and Burchett - Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

The bids for the bucket truck were opened at 2:00 P.M. with Tom Gaffigan, Larry Link and Luke Clark present. Bids were received from Truck Equipment, Inc. of Des Moines, Iowa, in the amounts of \$87,214.00 (Ankeny office) and \$85,425.00 (Des Moines office); ABM Equipment of Hopkins, Minnesota in the amount of \$84,896.00 and Altec Industries, Inc. of St. Joseph, Missouri in the amount of \$80,159.00. Moved by Pattison, seconded by Kroger to accept the low bid based on meeting specifications per bid request. Motion carried unanimously.

Water System Interconnection Upgrade Bids from previous meeting were reviewed by legal counsel due to a difference in bid amount by the low bidder, Lawson Construction. Their bid was adjusted from \$98,250.00 to \$104,250.00. The other bids were McCarthy Trenching, \$107,769.00; and C.L. Carroll Company, Inc., \$114,713.00. The change in the amount of the bid from Lawson Construction was due to an allowable clerical error involving the sum total of the unit prices. Moved Pattison, seconded by Kroger to accept the low bid from Lawson Construction. A roll call vote was taken on the motion as follows: Kroger – Aye; Pattison – Aye, Kohorst - Aye and Burchett - Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Motioned by Pattison, seconded by Kroger to accept the Sixth Street Rebuild Project as substantially complete. A roll call vote was taken on the motion as follows: Kroger – Aye; Pattison – Aye, Kohorst - Aye and Burchett - Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Final report by retiring Water Superintendent, Terry Derby.

Following the Chief Executive Officer's report the meeting was adjourned.

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CHAIRMAN, Allen Burchett

TRUSTEE, W. A. "Pat" Pattison

TRUSTEE, Kathleen Kohorst

TRUSTEE, Craig Kroger

TRUSTEE, Peter N. Horne

On July 10, 2003, the Harlan Municipal Utilities' Board of Trustees met in electronic session to approve the Abstract of Claims No. 767 in the amount of \$428,377.32 and the payment of same. An electronic roll-call vote was taken as follows: Kroger – Aye; Burchett – Aye, and Kohorst - Aye. Approval carried unanimously.

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CHAIRMAN, Allen Burchett

TRUSTEE, W. A. "Pat" Pattison

TRUSTEE, Kathleen Kohorst

TRUSTEE, Craig Kroger

TRUSTEE, Peter N. Horne

The Harlan Municipal Utilities' Board of Trustees met in regular session Thursday, July 24, 2003, pursuant to the rules and regulations as set forth in the office of the Secretary. Present were Trustees, Craig Kroger, Kathleen Kohorst, W.A. "Pat" Pattison and Peter N. Horne. Peter N. Horne came in at 4:03 p.m. Absent: Allen W. Burchett.

The meeting was called to order at 4:02 p.m. in the HMU boardroom by Trustee Kroger.

Moved by Kohorst, seconded by Pattison, to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Pattison, seconded by Kohorst, to approve the Consent Agenda which included: A) Approve minutes of regular board meeting of June 26, 2003; B) Approve Abstract of Claims No. 768 in the amount of \$427,318.47 and payment of same; C) Approve next board meeting date of August 14, 2003. A roll call vote was taken on the motion as follows: Kroger – Aye; Pattison – Aye and Kohorst - Aye. Peter N. Horne not yet present. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Kohorst, seconded by Pattison, to approve the Odorization Agreement with Northern Natural Gas contingent upon the changes being made to the maintenance of equipment and ownership portion of the agreement being approved by Herbert T. Gaffigan, Jr., Chief Executive Officer, HMU, and Robert W. Hall, legal counsel. A roll call vote was taken on the motion as follows: Kroger – Aye; Pattison – Aye, Kohorst – Aye and Horne – Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Horne, seconded by Pattison, to purchase one Howard 500kva Padmount Electric Transformer from Burmeister Electric for \$7,100.00. A roll call vote was taken on the motion as follows: Kroger – Aye; Pattison – Aye, Kohorst – Aye and Horne – Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Horne, seconded by Pattison, to approve the contract with Lawson Construction out of Kirksville, Missouri, for the Upgrade of Water Interconnection with Regional Water based on approval from Herbert T. Gaffigan, Jr., Chief Executive Officer, HMU, and Robert W. Hall, legal counsel. Motion carried unanimously.

Following the Chief Executive Officer's report the meeting was adjourned.

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CHAIRMAN, Allen Burchett

TRUSTEE, W. A. "Pat" Pattison

TRUSTEE, Kathleen Kohorst

TRUSTEE, Craig Kroger

TRUSTEE, Peter N. Horne

The Harlan Municipal Utilities' Board of Trustees met in regular session Thursday, August 14, 2003, pursuant to the rules and regulations as set forth in the office of the Secretary. Present were Trustees, Allen Burchett, Craig Kroger, Kathleen Kohorst, W.A. "Pat" Pattison and Peter N. Horne. Absent: None.

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m. in the HMU boardroom by Chairman Burchett.

Moved by Pattison, seconded by Kohorst, to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Kroger, seconded by Pattison, to approve the Consent Agenda which included: A) Approve minutes of regular board meeting of July 24, 2003; B) Signing of Abstract of Claims No. 767 which was approved July 10, 2003; C) Approve Abstract of Claims No. 769 in the amount of \$309,618.74 and payment of same; D) Approve next board meeting date of August 28, 2003. A roll call vote was taken on the motion as follows: Kroger – Aye; Pattison – Aye, Burchett – Aye, Horne - Aye and Kohorst - Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

There were no bids on the Hawk Bilt mdl.2000 Fertilizer Spreader. Other options will be discussed.

Moved by Kohorst, seconded by Kroger, to approve the Resolution to Approve the Organizational Restructuring and Realignment of Harlan Municipal Utilities. A roll call vote was taken on the motion as follows: Kroger – Aye; Pattison – Aye, Burchett – Aye, Horne - Aye and Kohorst - Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Pattison, seconded by Kroger, to approve the Resolution to Approve and Offer Terms of Severance Compensation. A roll call vote was taken on the motion as follows: Kroger – Aye; Pattison – Aye, Burchett – Aye, Horne - Aye and Kohorst - Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Following the Chief Executive Officer's report the meeting was adjourned.

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CHAIRMAN, Allen Burchett

TRUSTEE, W. A. "Pat" Pattison

TRUSTEE, Kathleen Kohorst

TRUSTEE, Craig Kroger

TRUSTEE, Peter N. Horne

On August 28, 2003, the Harlan Municipal Utilities' Board of Trustees met in electronic session to approve the Abstract of Claims No. 770 in the amount of \$581,270.02 and the payment of same. An electronic roll-call vote was taken as follows: Kroger – Aye; Pattison – Aye, Burchett – Aye, and Kohorst - Aye. Approval carried unanimously.

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CHAIRMAN, Allen Burchett



TRUSTEE, W. A. "Pat" Pattison



TRUSTEE, Kathleen Kohorst



TRUSTEE, Craig Kroger

TRUSTEE, Peter N. Horne

The Harlan Municipal Utilities' Board of Trustees met in regular session Thursday, September 11, 2003, pursuant to the rules and regulations as set forth in the office of the Secretary. Present were Trustees, Allen Burchett, Craig Kroger, Kathleen Kohorst and W.A. "Pat" Pattison. Absent: Peter N. Horne.

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m. in the HMU boardroom by Chairman Burchett.

Moved by Pattison, seconded by Kroger, to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Kohorst, seconded by Pattison, to approve the Consent Agenda which included: A) Approve minutes of electronic board meeting of July 10, 2003; B) Approve minutes of regular board meeting of August 14, 2003; C) Approve minutes of electronic board meeting of August 28, 2003; D) Approve Abstract of Claims No. 771 in the amount of \$254,539.97 and payment of same; E) Approve next board meeting date of September 25, 2003. A roll call vote was taken on the motion as follows: Kroger – Aye; Pattison – Aye; Kohorst – Aye; and Burchett - Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Muxfeldt & Associates presented findings of annual audit.

Motioned by Kohorst, seconded by Pattison, to approve the salary increase for three non-bargaining unit employees. Kroger – Aye; Pattison – Aye; Kohorst – Aye; and Burchett – Aye. Motioned carried unanimously.

Motioned by Burchett, seconded by Kohorst, to approve management's plan for upgrading and improving the utility's I/T systems. A roll call vote was taken on the motion as follows: Kroger – Aye; Pattison – Aye, Kohorst – Aye and Burchett – Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Following the Chief Executive Officer's report the meeting was adjourned.

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CHAIRMAN, Allen Burchett

TRUSTEE, W. A. "Pat" Pattison

TRUSTEE, Kathleen Kohorst

TRUSTEE, Craig Kroger

TRUSTEE, Peter N. Horne

The Harlan Municipal Utilities' Board of Trustees met in regular session Thursday, September 25, 2003, pursuant to the rules and regulations as set forth in the office of the Secretary. Present were Trustees Craig Kroger, W.A. "Pat" Pattison and Peter N. Horne. Absent: Allen Burchett and Kathleen Kohorst.

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m. in the HMU boardroom by Trustee Kroger.

Moved by Pattison, seconded by Horne, to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Pattison, seconded by Horne, to approve the Consent Agenda which included: A) Approve minutes of regular board meeting of September 11, 2003; B) Approve Abstract of Claims No. 772 in the amount of \$399,089.36 and payment of same; C) Approve next board meeting date of October 9, 2003. A roll call vote was taken on the motion as follows: Kroger – Aye; Pattison – Aye; Horne – Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Motioned by Horne, seconded by Pattison, to approve the assignment of the annual audit to Heithoff, Hansen, Muhlbauer & Co. P.C. Motion carried unanimously.

Motioned by Horne, seconded by Pattison, to approve the Lease of MAN, Cache, and Mail Servers from Heartland Technologies. A roll call vote was taken on the motion as follows: Kroger – Aye; Pattison – Aye; Horne – Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Following the Chief Executive Officer's report the meeting was adjourned.

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CHAIRMAN, Allen Burchett

TRUSTEE, W. A. "Pat" Pattison

TRUSTEE, Kathleen Kohorst

TRUSTEE, Craig Kroger

TRUSTEE, Peter N. Horne

On October 8, 2003, the Harlan Municipal Utilities' Board of Trustees met in electronic session to approve the Abstract of Claims No. 773, dated October 9, 2003, in the amount of \$1,395,573.33 and the payment of same. An electronic roll-call vote was taken as follows: Kroger – Aye; Burchett – Aye, Pattison – Aye, and Kohorst - Aye. Approval carried unanimously.

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CHAIRMAN, Allen Burchett

TRUSTEE, W. A. "Pat" Pattison

TRUSTEE, Kathleen Kohorst

TRUSTEE, Craig Kroger

TRUSTEE, Peter N. Horne

The Harlan Municipal Utilities' Board of Trustees met in regular session Thursday, October 23, 2003, pursuant to the rules and regulations as set forth in the office of the Secretary. Present were Trustees Allen Burchett, Craig Kroger, W.A. "Pat" Pattison, Kathleen Kohorst and Peter N. Horne. Absent: None.

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m. in the HMU boardroom by Trustee Burchett.

Moved by Pattison, seconded by Kohorst, to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously. Horne not yet present.

Moved by Pattison, seconded by Kroger, to approve the Consent Agenda which included; A) Approve minutes of regular board meeting of September 25, 2003; B) Approve minutes of electronic meeting of October 8, 2003. C) Approve Abstract of Claims No. 774 in the amount of \$383,246.77 and payment of same; D) Approve next board meeting date of November 13, 2003. A roll call vote was taken on the motion as follows: Burchett – Aye, Kroger – Aye; Pattison – Aye; Horne – Aye; and Kohorst – Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Pattison, seconded by Kroger, to approve the transfer of funds for continued support of HMU's Energy Efficiency Programs. A roll call vote was taken on the motion as follows: Burchett – Aye, Kroger – Aye; Pattison – Aye; Horne – Aye; and Kohorst – Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Horne, seconded by Pattison, to offer the Green City Energy program to HMU's customers per Code of Iowa §476.47. Motion carried unanimously.

Following the Chief Executive Officer's report, moved by Kohorst, seconded by Pattison, to go into Closed Session, pursuant to the Code of Iowa §388.9(1), to discuss competitive issues. A roll call vote was taken on the motion as follows: Burchett – Aye, Kroger – Aye; Pattison – Aye; Horne – Aye; and Kohorst – Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Closed Session was entered at 4:18 p.m.

Moved by Kohorst, seconded by Kroger, to exit Closed Session. A roll call vote was taken on the motion as follows: Burchett – Aye, Kroger – Aye; Pattison – Aye; Horne – Aye; and Kohorst – Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Closed Session exited at 5:50 p.m.

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CHAIRMAN, Allen Burchett

TRUSTEE, W. A. "Pat" Pattison

TRUSTEE, Kathleen Kohorst

TRUSTEE, Craig Kroger

TRUSTEE, Peter N. Horne

The Harlan Municipal Utilities' Board of Trustees met in regular session Thursday, November 13, 2003, pursuant to the rules and regulations as set forth in the office of the Secretary. Present were Trustees Allen Burchett, Craig Kroger, W.A. "Pat" Pattison, and Kathleen Kohorst. Absent: Peter N. Horne.

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m. in the HMU boardroom by Trustee Burchett.

Moved by Kroger, seconded by Pattison, to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Kohorst, seconded by Pattison, to approve the Consent Agenda which included; A) Approve minutes of regular board meeting of October 23, 2003; B) Approve Abstract of Claims No. 775 in the amount of \$328,928.44 and payment of same. A roll call vote was taken on the motion as follows: Burchett – Aye, Kroger – Aye; Pattison – Aye; and Kohorst – Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Kroger, seconded by Kohorst, to cancel the November 27th, 2003 board meeting. The next board meeting will be December 11, 2003. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Pattison, seconded by Kohorst, to accept the low bid in the amount of \$173,252.00 from Pedersen Power Products, contingent upon meeting all specifications for the West Substation Switchgear. Central Electric also submitted a bid in the amount of \$230,670.00. A roll call vote was taken on the motion as follows: Burchett – Aye, Kroger – Aye; Pattison – Aye; and Kohorst – Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Kohorst, seconded by Kroger, to add Tina Dotzler to the Cable Television Programming Committee. Motion carried unanimously.

The Chief Executive Officer informed the Board of the Two-Year Notice of CROD Reduction up to 1% by Western Area Power Administration. Iowa Stored Energy Project and Louisa Generating Station updates were also addressed. The Odorization Agreement with Northern Natural Gas and it has been approved. This matter was previously approved by the Board at the July 24, 2003, board meeting contingent upon further review by Herbert T. Gaffigan and Robert W. Hall.

Moved by Pattison, seconded by Kohorst, to approve Resolution No. 23 to amend the budget to transfer funds from capital expenditures to administrative and general office equipment and leasing in the electric budget and telecommunications budget. There is no increase in budget, only transfer of budgeted funds. A roll call vote was taken on the motion as follows: Burchett – Aye, Kroger – Aye; Pattison – Aye; and Kohorst – Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

The Odorization Agreement with Northern Natural Gas has been approved. This matter was previously approved by the Board at the July 24, 2003, board meeting contingent upon further review by Herbert T. Gaffigan and Robert W. Hall. Following the Chief Executive Officer's report, moved by Kohorst, seconded by Kroger, to go into Closed Session, pursuant to the Code of Iowa §388.9(1), to discuss competitive issues. A roll call vote was taken on the motion as follows: Burchett – Aye, Kroger – Aye; Pattison – Aye; and Kohorst – Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Closed Session was entered at 4:19 p.m.

Moved by Kohorst, seconded by Kroger, to exit Closed Session. A roll call vote was taken on the motion as follows: Burchett – Aye, Kroger – Aye; Pattison – Aye; and Kohorst – Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Closed Session exited at 5:25 p.m.

Moved by Kohorst, seconded by Kroger to lower the Local Access Charge from \$9.90 to \$9.62 monthly and raise the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) ordered Subscriber Line Charge (SLC) from \$4.35 to \$6.50 monthly.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

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CHAIRMAN, Allen Burchett

TRUSTEE, W. A. "Pat" Pattison

TRUSTEE, Kathleen Kohorst

TRUSTEE, Craig Kroger

TRUSTEE, Peter N. Horne

The Harlan Municipal Utilities' Board of Trustees met in special session Thursday, November 20, 2003, pursuant to the rules and regulations as set forth in the office of the Secretary. Present were Trustees Allen Burchett, Craig Kroger, W.A. "Pat" Pattison, Kathleen Kohorst and Peter N. Horne.

The meeting was called to order at 12:00 p.m. in the HMU boardroom by Trustee Burchett.

Moved by Pattison, seconded by Kroger, to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously. (Horne not yet present).

Discussion on Strategic Planning Meeting. (Horne not yet present).

Motioned by Pattison, seconded by Kohorst "That the Harlan Municipal Utilities Board of Trustees instruct CEO, Tom Gaffigan, to draft a letter, signed by our Board Chairman and delivered to Shelby County DevelopSource prior to December 31, 2003, notifying them of our intent to withdraw our membership and financial support beginning on June 30, 2004. Motion carried unanimously. (Horne not yet present)

Moved by moved by Kohorst, seconded by Kroger, to go into Closed Session, pursuant to the Code of Iowa §388.9(1), to discuss competitive issues. A roll call vote was taken on the motion as follows: Burchett – Aye, Kroger – Aye; Pattison – Aye; and Kohorst – Aye. Motion carried unanimously. (Horne not yet present)

Closed Session was entered at 12:08 p.m.

Closed Session exited at 12:30 p.m.

Moved by Pattison, seconded by Kohorst, to approve the "Resolution to Approve Telephone, Cable TV and Internet Rate Changes. Burchett – Aye, Kroger – Aye; Pattison – Aye; Horne – Aye; and Kohorst – Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

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CHAIRMAN, Allen Burchett

TRUSTEE, W. A. "Pat" Pattison

TRUSTEE, Kathleen Kohorst

TRUSTEE, Craig Kroger

TRUSTEE, Peter N. Horne

On November 25, 2003, the Harlan Municipal Utilities' Board of Trustees met in electronic session to approve the Abstract of Claims No. 776, dated November 27, 2003, in the amount of \$573,569.25 and the payment of same. An electronic roll-call vote was taken as follows: Kroger – Aye; Burchett – Aye, and Kohorst - Aye. Approval carried unanimously.

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

CHAIRMAN, Allen Burchett

TRUSTEE, W. A. "Pat" Pattison

TRUSTEE, Kathleen Kohorst

TRUSTEE, Craig Kroger

TRUSTEE, Peter N. Horne

The Harlan Municipal Utilities' Board of Trustees met in regular session Thursday, December 11, 2003, pursuant to the rules and regulations as set forth in the office of the Secretary. Present were Trustees Allen Burchett, Craig Kroger, W.A. "Pat" Pattison, Kathleen Kohorst and Peter N. Horne.

The meeting was called to order at 3:00 p.m. in the HMU boardroom by Trustee Burchett.

Moved by Pattison, seconded by Kohorst, to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously. Horne not yet present.

Moved by Kroger, seconded by Pattison, to approve the Consent Agenda which included; A) Approve minutes of regular board meeting of November 13, 2003; B) Approve minutes of special board meeting of November 20, 2003; C) Approve minutes of electronic board meeting of November 25, 2003; and D) Approve Abstract of Claims No. 777 in the amount of \$173,641.97 and payment of same. A roll call vote was taken on the motion as follows: Burchett – Aye, Kroger – Aye; Pattison – Aye; and Kohorst – Aye. Motion carried unanimously. Horne not yet present.

Discussion was held on canceling the December 25th board meeting. Chairman, Al Burchett stated that there would be no regularly scheduled board meeting on December 25th. They will have a special board meeting if needed. The next regularly scheduled board meeting will be January 8, 2004.

Discussion was held on the potential of the Metro Area Network (MAN) and how it would be beneficial to the community. Present for this discussion were Brian Trader (Heartland Technology), Mary Bro (CI Direct) and George Applegate (Farm Service Coop). Peter N. Horne entered during discussion.

Following the Chief Executive Officer's report the meeting was adjourned.

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CHAIRMAN, Allen Burchett

TRUSTEE, W. A. "Pat" Pattison

TRUSTEE, Kathleen Kohorst

TRUSTEE, Craig Kroger

TRUSTEE, Peter N. Horne

On December 23, 2003, the Harlan Municipal Utilities' Board of Trustees met in electronic session to approve the Abstract of Claims No. 778, dated December 24, 2003, in the amount of \$590,369.54 and the payment of same. An electronic roll-call vote was taken as follows: Kroger – Aye; Burchett – Aye, Horne – Aye, and Kohorst - Aye. Approval carried unanimously.

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CHAIRMAN, Allen Burchett

TRUSTEE, W. A. "Pat" Pattison

TRUSTEE, Kathleen Kohorst

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TRUSTEE, Peter N. Horne