



City of Grand Island

Tuesday, June 14, 2011

Council Session

Item G12

**#2011- 137- Approving Representative and Alternate
Representative to the Municipal Energy Agency of Nebraska
Management Committee**

Staff Contact: Tim Luchsinger

Council Agenda Memo

From: Timothy Luchsinger, Utilities Director

Meeting: June 14, 2011

Subject: Municipal Energy Agency of Nebraska Management Committee Representative

Item #'s: G-12

Presenter(s): Timothy Luchsinger, Utilities Director

Background

The City of Grand Island is signatory to the Electrical Resource Pool Agreement (ERPA) of the Municipal Energy Agency of Nebraska (MEAN). MEAN is a public entity of member communities in Nebraska, Iowa, Wyoming and Colorado that organized to allow a collective agency to negotiate and provide electric power for its members. Each member of the ERPA is allowed a Representative and an Alternate Representative on the MEAN Management Committee. The Management Committee establishes the electric rates to be paid by the members, and the representatives are appointed by the governing body of the member city. Retired Utilities Director Gary Mader was the Grand Island Representative and current Utilities Director Timothy Luchsinger is the Alternate Representative. There is now a vacancy in the current Grand Island Representative position on the Committee.

Discussion

In order to meet the City's responsibilities of participation in the Municipal Energy Agency of Nebraska, Utilities Director Timothy Luchsinger and the Assistant Utilities Director responsible for electric transmission, Travis Burdett, are recommended to be appointed as the City's Representative and Alternate Representative, respectively, to the MEAN Management Committee.

Alternatives

It appears that the Council has the following alternatives concerning the issue at hand.

The Council may:

1. Move to approve
2. Refer the issue to a Committee
3. Postpone the issue to future date
4. Take no action on the issue

Recommendation

City Administration recommends that the Council approve the appointment of Utilities Director Timothy Luchsinger as the Representative, and the appointment of Assistant Utilities Director Travis Burdett as the Alternate Representative for Grand Island to the Municipal Energy Agency of Nebraska Management Committee.

Sample Motion

Move to approve the appointment of Timothy Luchsinger as Representative and the appointment of Travis Burdett as Alternate Representative to the Municipal Energy Agency of Nebraska Management Committee.

RESOLUTION 2011-137

WHEREAS, the City of Grand Island is signatory to the Electrical Resource Pool Agreement of the Municipal Energy Agency of Nebraska; and; and

WHEREAS, retired Utilities Director was a Representative of the Municipal Energy Agency of Nebraska Management Committee and Timothy Luchsinger served as the Alternate Representative; and

WHEREAS, the retirement of Gary Mader leaves a vacancy in the Representative position of the Committee, and

WHEREAS, is has been recommended by the City Council that current Utilities Director, Timothy Luchsinger be named as the new Representative of the Municipal Energy Agency of Nebraska Management Committee, and Assistant Utilities Director, Travis Burdett be named as the Alternate Representative.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAND ISLAND, NEBRASKA, that Timothy Luchsinger, Utilities Director for the City of Grand Island, be appointed as the Representative, and that Travis Burdett be appointed as the Alternate Representative of the Municipal Energy Agency of Nebraska Management Committee.

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Adopted by the City Council of the City of Grand Island, Nebraska, June 14, 2011.

Jay Vavricek, Mayor

Attest:

RaNae Edwards, City Clerk

Approved as to Form	☐ _____
June 10, 2011	☐ City Attorney