

**CITY OF LEXINGTON
LEXINGTON, NEBRASKA**

A Special Meeting of the Lexington City Council was held Saturday, January 24, 1998 at the Grand Generation Center, 407 East 6th Street, Lexington, Nebraska at 8:00 a.m. Members of the Council present were Mayor John Wightman, John Fagot, Neal Kohl, Rick Klamm, Patty Mandelko. City Officials present were City Clerk Leon Malzahn, City Manager Vance Bricker, City Attorney Willard Weinhold, and Assistant City Manager Joe Pepplitsch. Department Heads present were Glen Hawks. Also present were Dana Daniels representing Miller and Associates,

NOTICE:

Notice of the meeting was given in advance, thereof by publication in the Lexington Clipper-Herald, the designated methods for giving notice, as shown by the Affidavit of Publication attached to these Minutes. Notice of this meeting was simultaneously given to the Mayor and all members of the Council, and a copy of their Acknowledgment of Receipt of Notice and the Agenda is attached to these Minutes. Availability of the Agenda was communicated in advance notice and in the notice to the Mayor and Council of this meeting. The proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public. All items presented and discussed on the Agenda were available for public inspection.

ELECTRIC DEPARTMENT City Manager Bricker addressed the City Council and presented a report on the operations of the Department for the past year, He also outlined the upgrading of lines being performed by City personnel. Other items discussed by Mr. Bricker is a study of the Department to determine rates that would reflect cost of service. Mr Bricker also stated that this study would determine a rate for retail wheeling which is going to be needed when deregulation of the electric industry becomes a reality.

WATER DEPARTMENT The City Council received a report from the City Manager concerning the overall operation of the Department. A detail of the pumping situation was presented by Glen Hawks. Mr Hawks report outlined the need for an additional wells needed due to older wells being phased out and not being replaced. The Council also received a report on the effects

treatment of our water supply would have on strategic planning off well placement, the cost of installation and operation of this equipment. Mr Bricker and Assistant Manager Pepplitsch reviewed the current rate structure for residential metered, residential flat rate, commercial, industrial services. A lengthy discussion was held concerning the addition of a distribution charge to equalize some rates.

SANITARY SEWER: Discussion of the Sanitary Sewer Department centered around the request of Nebraska By Products to deposit their waste into the treatment plant. Mr Reed Miller and Dana Daniels were present to offer their theory of the mechanics needed to accomplish this. They stated that Nebraska By Products would be required to perform some pre treatment prior to discharging into the plant. They also presented various plans for the pre-treatment function which could include a joint venture between the City and NBP..

CHOICE GAS MR. Vance Bricker reported to the Council on the status of the rate and the Franchise ordinances in various other communities. He stated that there is no problem with the Choice Gas Ordinance however the Rate and Franchise Ordinances have been tabled.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to come before the Council, Mayor Wightman declared the meeting adjourned.

John Wightman
Mayor

Leon E. Malzahn
City Clerk

I, the undersigned City Clerk for the City of Lexington, Nebraska, hereby certify that all of the subjects included in the foregoing proceedings were contained in the Agenda for the meeting, kept continually current and available for public inspection at the office of the City Clerk during regular business hours prior to said meeting; that the Minutes of the Mayor and Council of the City of Lexington, Nebraska, from which the foregoing proceedings have been extracted were in written form and available for public inspection within ten working days and prior to the next convened meeting of said body; that all news media requesting

notification of the time and place of said meeting and the subjects to be discussed at said meeting.

Lexington City Clerk