Clinton-Newberry Natural Gas Authority Board of Directors Regular Meeting June 25, 2024

The Clinton-Newberry Natural Gas Authority Board of Directors met on Tuesday, June 25, 2024 in a regular meeting at 6:00pm in the Newberry Office Conference Room. Members present were Board Chair Mr. Randy Randall, Board Vice-Chair Mr. Foster Senn, Board Secretary Mr. Danny Cook, Board Member Mr. Gary Kuykendall, Board Member Mr. Lemont Glasgow, Board Member Mr. Gregg Summer, Board Member Mr. David DuBose, Authority General Manager Mr. James Capps, and Authority Finance Director Mr. Phillip Allison. Authority Counsel Mr. Frank Partridge and Authority Assistant General Manager Mr. Bob Simpson were also in attendance.

Mr. Randall established the presence of a quorum and called the meeting to order.

Mr. Cook gave the invocation.

There were no requests for public comment.

The next item on the agenda was the approval of the minutes from the May 28, 2024 regular meeting. Mr. DuBose moved to approve the minutes as presented. Mr. Summer seconded the motion. There was no discussion and the motion was unanimously adopted.

The next item on the agenda was the presentation of the final Fiscal Year End October 31, 2023 financial reports. Mrs. Erin Strickland of SwaimBrown met with the Board via a Teams meeting and presented changes made after the prior presentation of draft financial statements and answered any questions. The changed related to the completion of the State of South Carolina audit of the Public Employee Benefits Authority which determines the Authority's retirement obligations. This audit is not completed until some time after the Gas Authority's fiscal year end. After her presentation, Mr. Summer moved to approve the updated financial statements. Mr. Glasgow seconded the motion. There was no discussion and the motion was unanimously adopted.

The next item on the agenda was the review of the May 2024 Operating Report. Mr. Capps reviewed the report with the Board, highlighting various revenues and expenses for the month.

The next item on the agenda was an update on the 2024 PHMSA Grant. Mr. Capps informed the Board that the Authority had re-submitted a grant proposal after having been declined previously. If awarded, the grant would be used for system improvements and possibly system testing equipment.

The next item on the agenda was information on current and potential Authority construction projects. Mr. Capps presented the Board with progress on several projects.

The next item on the agenda was the approval of funds for the Curry Road station rebuild project. The Authority's station on Curry Road in Laurens County had been damaged in an automobile accident which required extensive repair and relocation. Mr. Capps recommended that the Board set aside up to \$57,000.00 in the Contingency and Depreciation Fund to reimburse the Gross Revenue Fund for expenses related to this project, with any excess to remain in the Contingency and Depreciation Fund. Mr. Summer moved to approve the recommendation. Mr. Kuykendall seconded the motion. There was brief discussion and the motion was unanimously adopted.

The next item on the agenda was information on a station on Belfast Road in Newberry County. This station was damaged in another automobile accident. The station was temporarily repaired and the decision was made to look into rebuilding the station in a different location, extend plastic main line from it, and eliminate another aging station across the intersection from the damaged one. Mr. Capps recommended that the Board set aside \$65,000.00 in the Contingency and Depreciation Fund to reimburse the Gross Revenue Fund for expenses related to this project. Mr. Summer moved to accept Mr. Capps's recommendation. Mr. Senn seconded the motion. After brief discussion, the motion was unanimously adopted.

The next item on the agenda was information on staff training. Mr. Capps informed the Board of several training opportunities that had been and will be offered to the Authority staff.

The next item on the agenda was the announcement of the next regular meeting. Due to scheduling conflicts, the Board decided not to meet in July. The next regular meeting is scheduled for August 27, 2024, at 6:00pm in the Newberry Office Conference Room.

With no more business to come before the Board, Mr. Glasgow moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. DuBose seconded the motion. There was no discussion, and the motion was unanimously adopted. The meeting was adjourned at 6:58pm.

Chair / Vice-Chair

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