

Clinton-Newberry Natural Gas Authority
Board of Directors Regular Meeting
May 28, 2024

The Clinton-Newberry Natural Gas Authority Board of Directors met on Tuesday, May 28, 2024 in a regular meeting at 6:00pm in the Clinton Office Conference Room. Members present were Board Chair Mr. Foster Senn, Board Vice-Chair Mr. Randy Randall, 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. Senn established the presence of a quorum and called the meeting to order.

Mr. Summer gave the invocation.

There were no requests for public comment.

The next item on the agenda was the Nominations and Election of the Authority Board Chair and Vice-Chair. Mr. Senn announced his resignation as Chairman of the Board and nominated Mr. Randall to replace him as Chair. There were no other nominations and by unanimous vote, Mr. Randall was elected Chair and assumed the duties. Mr. Randall then nominated Mr. Senn to serve as Vice-Chair of the Board. There were no other nominations and by unanimous vote, Mr. Senn was elected Vice-Chair. Mr. Randall expressed the thanks of the Board for Mr. Senn's service.

The next item on the agenda was the approval of the minutes from the April 30, 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 review of the April 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 a Proposed Authority Construction Project. Mr. Capps reviewed a project proposal for a new subdivision, Wren Woods, beside the Connexial Center in the Fountain Inn area serving approximately 385 homes. The Authority has obtained a letter of intent from the developer to use natural gas for heat and water heating. This would also allow for strengthening of the system in that area with an additional feed ability. He recommended that the Board approve up to \$550,000.00 be set aside in the Expansion Fund to reimburse the Gross Revenue Fund for expenses associated with this project, with any excess to remain in the Expansion Fund. Mr. Summer moved to approve Mr. Capps's recommendation. Mr. Glasgow seconded the motion. There was brief discussion and the motion was unanimously adopted.

The next item on the agenda was Discussion of a Proposed Rate Reduction. Due to weather patterns, the Authority has recovered from its shortfall earlier in the year which resulted in an increase in rates charged to customers. Due to this, Mr. Capps recommended that the Board approve the reduction of rates to the budgeted 2024 amount beginning with June usage. Mr. Cook moved to approve the recommendation. Mr. Glasgow seconded the motion. There was brief discussion and the motion was unanimously adopted.

The next item on the agenda was an Executive Session for Discussion of Negotiations Incident to a Proposed Contractual Arrangement. Mr. Summer moved to enter Executive Session. Mr. DuBose seconded the motion. There was no discussion and the motion was unanimously adopted. Mr. Summer moved to resume Open Session. Mr. DuBose seconded the motion. There was no discussion and the motion was unanimously approved. During Executive Session, the Board received information from Mr. Capps regarding a proposed contractual arrangement and no action was taken. The Board did not wish to take action on anything discussed in Executive Session.

The next item on the agenda was the announcement of the next regular meeting. The next regular meeting is scheduled for June 25, 2024, at 6:00pm in the Newberry Office Conference Room.

With no more business to come before the Board, Mr. Kuykendall moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Glasgow seconded the motion. There was no discussion, and the motion was unanimously adopted. The meeting was adjourned at 7:06pm.


Chair / Vice-Chair


Secretary