

DULUTH PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
Meeting Minutes
April 17, 2018

Members Present: Councilor Noah Hobbs, Jen Julsrud, Jim Lewis, Chris McIntosh, Rob Prusak, Councilor Joel Sipress, Councilor Em Westerlund

Members Absent: none

Staff Present: Bob Asleson, Todd Carlson, Leanna Gilbert, Howard Jacobson, Tom Johnson, Chris Kleist, Eric Shaffer, Glenn Strid, Andy Swanson, Kerry Venier

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 5:18 p.m. by President Prusak.

Approval of previous meeting minutes

New business:

Stormwater system discussion

Todd Carlson gave a presentation on the stormwater system, including infrastructure, personnel, equipment, maintenance, regulation, and funding. He and other City staff then answered questions from commissioners.

Updates from staff

Eric Shaffer reported that the weather has caused delays to the start of the Superior Street project and the gas blanket project. They should both start soon. Bids for the Woodland Avenue gas main project were received and will be on the upcoming Council agenda.

Upcoming Council actions

The changes to Chapter 43, the I&I program guidelines, and the private sewer service grant program guidelines that were recommended by the Commission will be on the upcoming Council agenda.

Commissioner questions or comments

President Prusak thanked Commissioner Lewis for his service.

Commissioner Julsrud asked about Tom Johnson's email address.

Preview of upcoming business

The next regular meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, May 15, 2018, at 5:15 p.m. The Commission will meet in City Council Chambers and then go on a tour of the stormwater system weather permitting.

Known absences for future meetings

No one was aware of any absences for upcoming meetings.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 6:04 p.m.