

DULUTH PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
Public Hearing
March 18, 2014

Members Present: Councilor Sharla Gardner, Councilor Jen Julsrud, Rob Prusak, Jim Ramnes, Linda Sellner

Members Absent: Councilor Zack Filipovich, Jason Thorsell

Staff Present: Jodi Amundson, Bob Asleson, Jim Benning, Leanna Gilbert, Eric Shaffer, Glenn Strid

Call to Order: The hearing was called to order at 5:25 p.m. by President Prusak.

Under consideration was a proposed natural gas two-tier rate applicable to new services in areas other than the Northern Expansion Area and the Fond du Lac Area.

Eric Shaffer explained that the two-tier rate is the method with which the City recoups the costs of new natural gas main and service installations. The old two-tier rate expired in the fall of 2013. The proposed rate is \$0.11 per hundred cubic feet for a 15-year period. President Prusak suggested reviewing the rate after 5 years.

No one was present to speak at the hearing.

The Duluth Public Utilities Commission discussed and voted unanimously to approve the natural gas two-tier rate resolution after the public hearing closed.

Adjournment: The hearing was adjourned at 5:28 p.m.

A recording of this hearing is available upon request.