

NASHWAUK  
PUBLIC UTILITIES  
COMMISSION  
REGULAR AGENDA

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*City of*  
**NASHWAUK**  
FROM TIMBER TO TACONITE

301 Central Avenue, Nashwauk, Minnesota 55769

NPUC COMMISSION

TUESDAY, AUGUST 19, 2025

E. Milton Latvala

*Chair*

Mike Anderson

*Commissioner*

Mark Marinaro

*Commissioner*

Brian Ekholm

*Commissioner*

Tom Martire

*Commissioner*

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

**2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

**3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- a. Minutes of the July 15, 2025, Nashwauk Public Utilities Commission meeting.

**4. APPROVAL OF CLAIMS**

**5. SPECIAL ITEMS**

**6. OLD BUSINESS**

- a. East Itasca Joint Sewer Project Update.
- b. 3<sup>rd</sup> Street Utility Project Update (2026 Project)
  - i. Council inquiry and request that the project go forward.
- c. Tracking water tower restoration (2028 planning with \$600,000 estimate project costs). Water Tower inspection report received from KLM Engineering.
- d. Updates and recommendations from Joe Peterson.
  - i. Border States quotes for pedestals and wire.

**7. NEW BUSINESS**

- 8. PUBLIC COMMENT.** Members of the public are welcome to address the Commission. Please provide your name, a brief description of the subject matter, and keep comments to 5 minutes.

**9. ADJOURN**

**City of Nashwauk**  
**Nashwauk Public Utilities Commission**  
**July 15, 2025**

Chairman Latvala called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of Nashwauk City Hall.

**Members present:** Chairman Milt Latvala, Commissioner Tom Martire, Commissioner Mark Marinaro.

**Members absent:** Commissioner Brian Ekholm, Commissioner Mike Anderson.

**Also present:** John Jamnick, April Kurtcock, Joe Peterson.

**Adoption of Agenda**

\*Motion by Commissioner Marinaro, seconded by Commissioner Martire to adopt the agenda of the July 15, 2025, Nashwauk Public Utilities Commission meeting.

Ayes: all present. Motion carried.

**Approval of Minutes**

\*Motion by Commissioner Marinaro, seconded by Commissioner Martire to approve the minutes of the June 17, 2025, Nashwauk Public Utilities Commission meeting.

Ayes: all present. Motion carried.

**Approval of Claims**

\*Motion by Commissioner Marinaro, seconded by Chairman Latvala to approve the claims and file the claims register as official record.

Ayes: all present. Motion carried.

**Old Business**

**East Itasca Joint Sewer Project Update**

John Jamnick said that the project is getting close to reality for Lone Pine Township. The MPCA sent their certification for the project to the PFA, which puts it in the fundable range for the 2026 Intended Use Plan. Lone Pine Township will move forward with submitting their PSIG application.

**3<sup>rd</sup> Street Utility Project Update**

No update.

**Water System Follow-up**

A water tower inspection report was received from KLM Engineering. It stated that the coatings are now 25 years old and have reached their expected life span. Even though the coatings are in good to fair condition currently, deterioration will likely begin to accelerate as the coatings age further. KLM anticipates the coatings will require replacement in three to five years. This will maximize the life expectancy of the structure and minimize future repairs.

**Joe Peterson Updates**

Joe Peterson said the reconductoring work was completed last month and overall, the project went well.

Peterson shared information related to the Minnesota Power scope of work for testing that would be completed on the transformers, which was required to get them into service and energized. The work to

be completed was at the request of Mesabi Metallics. Peterson also noted that a control switch had failed so that was included in the scope of work, too.

\*Motion by Commissioner Marinaro, seconded by Commissioner Martire to approve the Minnesota Power Scope of Work dated July 7, 2025, for transformer testing and maintenance related to the Calumet and McCarthy substations in the amount of \$39,234.

Ayes: all present. Motion carried.

Peterson noted that Mesabi Metallics is moving forward with many electrical projects, but they have a lot to get done by October.

Peterson shared that he had discussed another grant opportunity with ARDC, which was focused on building resiliency to better survive storms. He is working with the organization to see if he can make a grant request, as the application period is now open.

Regarding the new school, Peterson shared that the temporary construction transformer has been taken out.

#### **New Business**

#### **Profit/Loss Statements**

The Commission reviewed profit and loss statements through June 2025, fund balances, and savings account balances.

#### **Adjourn**

\*Motion by Commissioner Martire, seconded by Commissioner Martire to adjourn at 1:40 p.m.

Ayes: all present. Motion carried.

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Secretary



**Quote**

Border States - DUL  
 4451 Airpark Blvd  
 Duluth MN 55811-5728  
 Phone: 218-727-8170

Quote: 28096839  
 Sold-To Acct #: 361745  
 Valid From: 07/25/2025 To: 08/01/2025  
 PO No: Nashwauk  
 PO Date: 07/25/2025  
 Payment Terms: NET 30 DAYS

Created By: Easton H. Knealing  
 Tel No:  
 Fax No:

CITY OF NASHWAUK  
 301 CENTRAL AVE  
 NASHWAUK MN 55769-1131

Inco Terms:  
 FOB ORIGIN

Ship-to:  
 CITY OF NASHWAUK  
 301 CENTRAL AVE  
 NASHWAUK MN 55769-1131

Cust Item	Item	Material MFG - Description	Quantity	Price Per	UoM	Value
	000010	1530993 ACSR - 1/0-RAVEN-6/1-ACSR-885LB/6095FT 1 REEL IN STOCK 6,046 FT IN DULUTH	6,046 FT	431.50 / 1,000	FT	2,608.85
	000020	1530993 ACSR - 1/0-RAVEN-6/1-ACSR-885LB/6095FT IN STOCK IN ALBERTVILLE CAN TRANSFER TO DULUTH	6,095 FT	431.50 / 1,000	FT	2,629.99
Total \$						5,238.84
State Tax \$ 0.000 %						0.00
County Tax \$ 0.000 %						0.00
Local Tax \$ 0.000 %						0.00
Other Tax1 \$ 0.000 %						0.00
Other Tax2 \$ 0.000 %						0.00
Other Tax3 \$ 0.000 %						0.00
Tax Subtotal \$ 0.000 %						0.00
<b>Net Amount \$</b>						<b>5,238.84</b>

To access Border States Terms and Conditions of Sale, please go to <https://www.borderstates.com>

The quoted sales tax is an estimate only based upon the information provided in this quote and will be finalized at the time of Invoice based upon the material purchased, quantity purchased, and delivery location.

Shipping and handling fees in this quote are an estimate only and will be finalized at the time of Invoice.

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Quote

Border States - DUL
4451 Airpark Blvd
Duluth MN 55811-5728
Phone: 218-727-8170

Quote: 28083152
Sold-To Acct #: 361745
Valid From: 07/16/2025 To: 07/23/2025
PO No: Cabinet with Modules for Nashwauk
PO Date: 07/16/2025
Payment Terms: NET 30 DAYS

Created By: Easton H. Knealing
Tel No:
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Table with columns: Cust Item, Item, Material MFG - Description, Quantity, Price Per, UoM, Value. Contains two line items for pedestals.

Summary table for taxes: Total \$ 6,342.57, State Tax \$ 0.000 %, County Tax \$ 0.000 %, Local Tax \$ 0.000 %, Other Tax1 \$ 0.000 %, Other Tax2 \$ 0.000 %, Other Tax3 \$ 0.000 %, Tax Subtotal \$ 0.000 %.

Net Amount \$ 6,342.57

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