

SECRETARY'S RECORD, NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Commission, ) APPLICATION NO. RVF-7  
on its own motion, seeking to )  
determine the fees for the ) ORDER SETTING FEES  
Recreational Vehicle Program. )  
)  
) ENTERED: September 4, 2013

BY THE COMMISSION:

The above-captioned proceeding was opened by the Commission, on its own motion, to determine the appropriate fees for the Recreational Vehicle Program (Program). The Commission is charged by statute to hold an annual public hearing to determine the level of seal fee and plan review fee necessary to carry out the provisions of the Recreational Vehicle Program pursuant to the Uniform Standard Code for Recreational Vehicles Neb. Rev. Stat. §§ 71-4601 to 71-4620.01 (2012 Cum. Supp.). The seal fees are subject to a statutory minimum of Ten dollars (\$10.00) and a maximum of Seventy-five dollars (\$75.00) per recreational vehicle. The plan review fees are subject to a statutory minimum of Fifteen dollars (\$15.00) per hour and a maximum of Seventy-five dollars (\$75.00) per hour.<sup>1</sup>

Notice of the proceeding appeared in The Daily Record, Omaha, Nebraska, on August 2, 2013. The order opening the above-captioned docket and setting the hearing was entered on July 30, 2013, and mailed to all interested parties. A Public hearing was held on August 20, 2013 in the Commission Hearing Room.

O P I N I O N   A N D   F I N D I N G S

Mark Luttich, Director of the Commission's Housing Department, testified on behalf of the Staff. Director Luttich testified that the revenues generated by the current seal fees and plan review fees are more than sufficient at the current levels of Thirty-two dollars and Fifty-cents (\$32.50) per seal fee and Twenty-two dollars and Fifty-cents (\$22.50) per hour plan review fee to cover the costs of the Program.

Additionally, the revenue generated by all three Housing Department programs into the Public Service Commission Housing and Recreational Vehicle Cash Fund (Cash Fund) continues to increase, making the available cash level more the required to fund the Department's needs with a reasonable reserve. Further,

<sup>1</sup> Neb. Rev. Stat. 71-4604.01(3) (2010 Cum. Supp.)

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the Department continues to operate at reduced staffing levels and utilize the services of four contractors.

Based on his calculations, Director Luttich estimates that a seal fee of Fifteen dollars (\$15.00) per seal and a plan review fee of Twenty dollars (\$20.00) per hour would just allow the Program to cover its expenses and not generate additional revenue to the Cash Fund. However, to begin to reduce the Cash Fund balance, Director Luttich recommends the seal fee and plan review fee be reduced to their respective statutory minimums of Ten dollars (\$10.00) per seal and Fifteen dollars (\$15.00) per hour for plan review fee.

The Commission has been monitoring the situation regarding the funding of the Recreational Vehicle Program and finds that the recommendation of Director Luttich is reasonable and that the fees for the Recreational Vehicle Program should be reduced to Ten dollars (\$10.00) per seal and Fifteen dollars (\$15.00) per hour plan review fee, effective October 1, 2013.


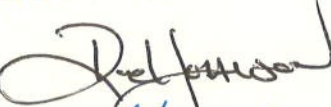

O R D E R

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that, pursuant to the Uniform Standard Code for Recreational Vehicles, the fees for the Recreational Vehicle Program should be reduced to Ten dollars (\$10.00) per seal and Fifteen dollars (\$15.00) per hour plan review fee, effective October 1, 2013.

MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska, this 4<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2013.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

//s//Anne C. Boyle  
//s//Frank E. Landis

  
Chair

ATTEST:

  
Executive Director