

CENTRAL NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER AND IRRIGATION DISTRICT

HOLDREGE, NEBRASKA

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETING OF THE  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
THE CENTRAL NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER AND IRRIGATION DISTRICT  
HOLDREGE, NEBRASKA  
JULY 26, 2024 – 9:00 A.M

This meeting was publicly advertised in accordance with Section 84-1411 of the Nebraska Statutes by notices aired on KRVN (Lexington) and KUVR (Holdrege) radio stations on June 17, 2024, and through legal publication in the Holdrege Daily Citizen on July 22, 2024, the Kearney Hub and North Platte Telegraph on July 23, 2024, and the Lexington Clipper-Herald on July 20, 2024, giving the time, date, and place of the meeting and the information that the Agenda was available in advance at the Office of the Assistant Secretary.

A postcard was mailed to each Director on July 12, 2024 giving the time, date, and place of this meeting.

The following Directors were present:

David L. Rowe, President	Geoffrey K. Bogle***	David G. Nelson
Kyle Shepherd, Vice President	Robert B. Dahlgren**	Dudley L. Nelson
William E. Knoerzer, Secretary	Martin E. Mueller*	Roger D. Olson
K. Scott Olson, Treasurer		Brent Soneson

*\*participated in the meeting via Zoom*

*\*\*arrived at 9:02 a.m.*

*\*\*\*arrived at 10:30 a.m.*

The following Directors was absent: Tim Boyle

Also present were the following:

Devin M. Brundage, General Manager	Anton Hassebrook, Hydroelectric Ops. Super.
Rochelle A. Jurgens, Controller	Steve Osterbuhr, Irrigation Superintendent
Eric R. Hixson, Electrical Project Ops. Mgr.	Jeremy Hendricks, Supply Canal Ops. Super.
Scott Dicke, Irrigation Division Manager	Chad Kolbo, Supply Canal Maintenance Super.
Michael A. Drain, Nat. Resource & Compliance Mgr.	Charles Brewster, Legal Counsel
Alex Linden, Gov't & Public Relations Mgr.	Emily J. Anderson, Assistant Secretary
Tyler Thulin, Civil Engineer	

Others:

Gwen Kautz	Daune Kautz
Todd Garrelts	Nancy Garrelts
Brad Lundeen	Mike Placke, JEO
Colleen Ocken, JEO	Pat Engelbert, HDR
Bob Beduhn, HDR	Ann Williams, HDR
Kurth Brashear, Rembolt Ludtke, LLP (via Zoom at 12:21 p.m.)	

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Board President Rowe announced that information for the public concerning the Open Meetings Act was available for interested parties to view.

At 9:00 a.m. the Board President announced that the meeting was open for business and proceeded with roll call.

PUBLIC INPUT: Gwen Kautz announced she is campaigning for a seat on NPPD’s board of directors. She described her 28-year career at Dawson Public Power District which includes 12 years as their general manager. She stated she has worked with NPPD leadership for many years and has been responsible for negotiating and managing the current power contract with them. She asked those in attendance for their vote in the upcoming general election.

Director Dahlgren entered the meeting at 9:02 a.m.

Brad Lundeen thanked management for attending a recent meeting of the Tri-Basin NRD to present information about the Kingsley Dam Resurfacing Project. He also thanked staff for their testimony at a recent public hearing in support of the Platte to Republican Diversion Project. Tri-Basin received a \$350,000.00 grant to create a groundwater model of the NRD’s area and Lundeen asked for Central’s assistance to compile necessary historical data to build the model. He discussed supplemental conditional wells that were drilled in the 2000s when water in Lake McConaughy was low and Central had to allocate surface water deliveries and how they have continued to use those supplemental wells as primary wells. He stated he believes assisting growers in installing dual-connection systems where they are not would be helpful. He indicated the Nebraska Department of Natural Resources has offered funding for conjunctive management projects like this.

CONSENT TO ASSIGNMENT SUMMARY: None.

PERMIT TO CONSTRUCT SUMMARY: The following Permits to Construct were presented for July, 2024:

Permits to Construct Approved by General Manager 7/26/2024				
<u>Number</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Permit &amp; Purpose</u>	<u>Date Approved &amp; Fee</u>
1.	Dawson Public Power	NW1/4 5-8-22	Install underground power lines and associated junction boxes and pad mount transformers.	07/22/2024
Permits to Construct Approved by Land Administration Department 7/26/2024 – Johnson Lake				
<u>Number</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Permit &amp; Purpose</u>	<u>Date Approved &amp; Fee</u>
2.	Mohnsen, Kelly		Permit to harvest standing prairie hay	07/15/2024 \$500.00
3.	Swanson, Owen & Claudette	1 Northeast Cove Dr 9	DWEL - Construct new 24' x 30' detached garage with elevated landing	06/14/2024
4.	Weides, Steven & Constance	53 North Point Dr 13	DWEL - Remove existing concrete patio and replace with new 16' x 24' concrete patio	06/17/2024
5.	Rowedder, Carol & Daniel	2 Crappie Corner	ECS - Bank Stabilization (Riprap) for 67.00 linear feet of the shoreline	06/24/2024
6.	Atchison, Donald	11 Crappie Corner Dr. 5	DWEL - Place crushed granite within the lot's boundary	06/24/2024
7.	Jinks, Curtis & Khristine	128 Lakeview Acres Dr. 14D	SWAF - Install new 10'W x 10'L Shorestation	06/24/2024 \$50.00
8.	Smith, Stacy	25 Bass Bay Dr 16	Permit to Operate – Vacation Rental	06/24/2024 \$500.00

9.	Garey, Gregory	154 Lakeview Acres Dr. 14F	SWAF - Install 6'W x 9'L Jet-Ski Lift	06/26/2024 \$50.00
10.	Northeast Bay Area Association	SW1/4 33-9-22	Permit to Construct - Construct and place a new 4' x 6' Northeast Bay Association Sign	07/01/2024
11.	Montoya, Anthony	10 Lane One Dr 28	DWEL - Install new wire welded fence	07/01/2024
12.	Smith, Fredrick & Stacy	25 & 27 Bass Bay Dr 16	SWAF - Install 4'w x 8'L Dock Section, 12'W x 12'L Shorestation	07/02/2024 \$50.00
13.	Our Life LLC	15 Perch Bay Dr 6	SWAF - Install 4'W x 6'L Dock Anchor Pad	07/08/2024 \$50.00
14.	Leevers, John & Tania	38 North Point Dr 13	DWEL - Remove remaining broken up concrete and replace with new on grade concrete	07/11/2024
15.	Fiene, Jonathan	20 Crappie Corner Dr 5	SWAF - Install 3'W x 15'L Access, 11'W x 11'L Shorestation	07/12/2024 \$50.00
16.	Wilkins, Norman & Heather	37 Lakeview Acres Dr 14A	SWAF - Install 4'W x 32'L Dock	07/18/2024 \$50.00

Permits to Construct  
Approved by Land Administration Department  
7/26/2024 – Jeffrey Lake

<u>Number</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Permit &amp; Purpose</u>	<u>Date Approved &amp; Fee</u>
17.	Richeson, Joseph & Angela	75 Pelican Dr.	DWEL - Construct new dwelling with a crawl space and attached garage	06/28/2024
18.	Kaschke, Orville	36 S Lakeview Rd	ECS - Construct 4'T x 25'L Retaining wall	07/01/2024
19.	Peterson, Stephen & Ligia	118 Anchor Bay Dr	ECS - Bank Stabilization (Riprap) for 278.46 linear feet of the shoreline	07/08/2024

Permits to Construct  
Approved by Land Administration Department  
7/26/2024 – Lake McConaughy

<u>Number</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Permit &amp; Purpose</u>	<u>Date Approved &amp; Fee</u>
20.	Duba, Darrin	41 K-1 Rd	DWEL - Install a new septic system	06/24/2024

Permits to Construct  
Approved by Land Administration Department  
7/26/2024 – Midway Lake

<u>Number</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Permit &amp; Purpose</u>	<u>Date Approved &amp; Fee</u>
21.	Atchison, Chad & Alyse	28 & 32 Hagadone Circle	SWAF - Install 6'W x 9'L Jet-Ski Lift	06/26/2024 \$50.00
22.	Kinnan, Jordan & Ashley	7 Paulsen Loop	SWAF - Install 5'W x 20'L Dock, 5'W x 5'L Dock Section, 12'W x 10'L Dock Section, 5'W x 80'L Dock	07/01/2024 \$50.00

Permits to Construct  
Approved by Land Administration Department  
7/26/2024 – Plum Creek

<u>Number</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Permit &amp; Purpose</u>	<u>Date Approved &amp; Fee</u>
23.	McKenzie, Derek & Erica	95 Plum Creek Canyon Trail	SWAF - Install 4'W x 56'L Dock, 8'W x 24'L Swim Platform, 4'W x 16'L Dock	07/01/2024 \$200.00 Adjacent Landowner

WATER SERVICE AGREEMENTS: None.

WORK ORDER/PURCHASE REQUISITION SUMMARY: The following were presented and discussed:

- a. Purchase Requisition No. 23943 – International Water Screens for E67 Water Screen (\$144,319.00)
- b. Work Order No. 186595 – E67 Water Screen (\$148,649.00)
- c. Work Order No. 186589 – Replace E65-29.6-1.3 to 1.4 Pipelines (\$93,255.00)
- d. Work Order No. 107471 - Schilling Bridge Replacement
- e. Supplemental Work Order No. 107404 – Annunciator Panel Upgrades at J1/J2 (\$10,933.00)
- f. Supplemental Work Order No. 107475 – Supply Canal RTU 11.9 Upgrade (\$7,497.00)

Scott Dicke noted that Work Order No. 186595 for the E67 Water Screen will need to be increased to \$150,000.00.

2024 BUDGET AMENDMENT: Rochelle Jurgens presented Amendment #8 to the 2024 Budget as follows:

<b>HYDRO DIVISION</b>	<b>Current Budget</b>	<b>Proposed Budget</b>	<b>Difference</b>
<u>Capital</u>			
Supply Canal RTU 11.9	\$20,000	\$27,200	\$7,200
Annunciator Panels at J1 & J2	\$65,000	\$75,900	\$10,900
Sedan	\$0	\$40,000	\$40,000
Semi-Tractor	\$200,000	\$226,000	\$26,000

PROGRESS ESTIMATE (FINAL) – PONY EXPRESS CHEVROLET FOR IRRIGATION PICKUPS (\$43,473.00): Scott Dicke stated the pickups have been received, inspected, and found to be satisfactory. Staff recommended final payment to Pony Express Chevrolet in the amount of \$43,473.00.

SEMI-TRUCK FOR GOTHENBURG: Jeremy Hendricks presented bids from eight vendors for a larger duty semi-truck to haul the dragline and long stick excavators. He stated the old equipment will be transferred to the irrigation department for use along the E-67, E-65 and Phelps Canals. After considering the bids received, and provided the truck passes a pre-inspection by a District mechanic, Hendricks stated staff will recommend negotiating with MCO for a 2013 Peterbilt with 7,767 miles. He also presented Purchase Requisition No. 24296 with MCO in the amount of \$205,000.00.

BID TAB – TELEPHONE SYSTEM FOR GOTHENBURG/HYDROS: Eric Hixson presented three bids to upgrade the phone systems at the Gothenburg office and four hydros. A budget amendment will also be necessary. After considering the bids received and comparing the various equipment and installation costs, staff recommended accepting the bid from Intellicom Computer Consulting in the amount of \$75,620.00.

ELWOOD SEEPAGE REPAIR PROJECTS: Scott Dicke stated the project is approximately 75% complete. There are three more weeks of work expected to complete the weighted filter and blanket drain installation. He expects substantial completion of the project by September 13, 2024. Although he anticipates at least one more change order from the contractor, the total project cost is still expected to be considerably lower than the next lowest bid received as part of the original contractor bid selection process. He attributed much of the efficiency of the project to the construction oversight services provided by RJH Engineering.

E-65 SIHPON PROJECT: Representatives from JEO and HDR were present to discuss their efforts related to the hydraulic analysis, channel geometry, geotechnical studies, slope stability, and evaluations of pipe materials. The advantages and disadvantages of using steel or HDPE pipe were discussed.

Director Bogle entered the meeting at 10:30 a.m.

KINGSLEY DAM REFACING PROJECT: Mike Drain reported RJH is still conducting studies related to additional topographic surveys, coastal engineering work, and wind/wave analyses to determine if a concrete faced soil cement would be a viable option to repair the dam. He believes the review will be completed by September 30, 2024 and it could lead to the development of a physical test bed model. He hopes to have the 50% engineering design plan to FERC in the fall of 2026, and the full project design by the fall of 2027.

A break was taken at 10:55 a.m. The meeting resumed at 11:09 a.m.

DAWSON PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT – JEFFREY HYDRO: Devin Brundage presented a summary of the process undertaken since July of 2023 to maximize the value of Jeffrey generation following the shift in direction on merging with DPPD. Creation of an interlocal agency was considered to deliver the generation to Dawson Public Power District under their QLG carve out in their agreement with NPPD, but an arrangement amenable to NPPD could not be reached. Currently, the District is selling Jeffrey generation through a 6-month extension of the agreement with MEAN through December 31, 2024. He intends to send out a Request for Proposals for a new power purchase agreement specific to Jeffrey generation in the coming months.

A break for lunch was taken at 11:44 a.m. The meeting resumed at 12:21 p.m.

Kurth Brashear from Rembolt Ludtke, LLP joined the meeting via Zoom at 12:21 p.m.

DISTRICT BYLAWS UPDATE: Devin Brundage reviewed the highlights of the proposed edits to the Bylaws which were developed using a policy-focused approach. Charles Brewster recommended the board adopt this new set of Bylaws. Discussions were held about additional edits to the proposed draft and adding more flexibility to the policy governing the location(s) of meetings.

LEGISLATION: Devin Brundage stated a special legislative session began yesterday. Bills have been introduced to withdraw funding for the South Platte Canal project as well as moving interest accrued in the Water Sustainability Fund and Surface Water Infrastructure Fund to the General Fund for property tax relief. Brundage also noted that NDNR Director, Tom Riley, will be leaving his position next week.

BOARD COMMENTS: None.

LEGAL UPDATE: Charles Brewster has been working with staff on various agreements, lease matters, and reviewing edits to the bylaws and associated policies.

PERSONNEL: None.

OUT OF STATE TRAVEL: None.

WORKSHOPS, SEMINARS AND CONFERENCES:

- a. 2024 Governor's Ag & Economic Development Summit – August 7-8, 2024, Kearney
- b. Tri-Basin NRD Board Tour – August 12, 2024
- c. Clean Currents by National Hydropower Assoc. – October 7-10, 2024, Portland, OR
- d. Nebraska Wind & Solar - October 22-23, 2024, Lincoln
- e. Nebraska Power Association Annual Conference - October 29-30, 2024, Kearney

BOARD SUB-COMMITTEE MEETINGS AND OTHER IMPORTANT UPCOMING EVENTS:

- a. Finance Committee – August 5, 2024 at 10:30 a.m. (following Regular Business Meeting)

MANAGEMENT REPORTS:

- a. Chad Kolbo reported crews are nearing completion of constructing the Phillips Canyon boat ramp and parking area. Work will begin next week to remove the boat docks in the Johnson Lake outlet.
- b. Jeremy Hendricks expects construction to begin on the Schilling Bridge near the end of August, 2024. Crews have been preparing the area by removing cottonwood trees, repairing a culvert and performing dirt work.
- c. Anton Hassebrook sent out a Request for Proposals for the governor upgrade at Kingsley Hydro. He also reported on an unplanned outage at Kingsley due to governor issues.
- d. Mike Drain stated there is one available reservation for the NHA-Clean Currents conference in Portland, Oregon in October if any director is interested in attending.
- e. Tyler Thulin reported Lake McConaughy is at elevation 3,234.3, 952,000 acre-feet, and 55.3% capacity. Inflows to Lake McConaughy are around 900 cfs and releases are around 2,500 cfs. The U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service has suspended the flow attenuation plan for the remainder of the season.
- f. Rochelle Jurgens stated Meredith Pierce has been calculating the potential affect of new taxes proposed by Governor Pillen on currently non-taxed services, which would equate to approximately \$130,000.00 in additional taxes to be paid by the District. She is working to create a list of all memberships and dues the District pays which will be added to the website pursuant to new legislation passed this year. The NRECA is conducting an audit of the District's employee medical benefit plan.
- g. Scott Dicke displayed a video of the E-67 water screen and he will obtain a video of it in operation to display at the August 5, 2024 Regular Business Meeting. The canals are full, but demand is down due to hail-damaged crops. He reported on the results of various pieces of equipment that were auctioned recently through Big Iron.
- h. Eric Hixson discussed a self-reported violation to NERC as part of cybersecurity changes related to communications between control centers with NPPD. The District plans to install a direct data link to SPP to help the District transmit data more efficiently to all entities needing information from our control center. This has been a low generation year for Kingsley Hydro due to water temperatures and issues with dissolved oxygen which caused bypass losses.
- i. Devin Brundage and staff attended a recent meeting of the Central District Water Users. He reported on a tour with UNL students. He presented to the Tri-Basin NRD and Central Platte NRD boards about the Kingsley Dam Resurfacing Project. He stated the NREA is considering changes to their bylaws to allow Central to participate as a full member and receive benefits such as board and employee safety training sessions. He displayed an aerial photo of land on the south side of Lake McConaughy that will be auctioned on August 27, 2024.

The meeting adjourned at 2:15 p.m.

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Kyle Shepherd, Vice President	Tim Boyle	Dudley L. Nelson
William E. Knoerzer, Secretary	Robert B. Dahlgren**	Roger D. Olson
K. Scott Olson, Treasurer	Martin E. Mueller*	Brent Soneson

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Also present were the following:

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Rochelle A. Jurgens, Controller	Haley Munson, Purchasing Agent
Eric R. Hixson, Electrical Project Ops Mgr.	Jim Brown, Compliance Coordinator
Scott Dicke, Irrigation Division Manager	Charles Brewster, Legal Counsel
Mike A. Drain, Nat. Resource & Compliance Mgr.	Emily J. Anderson, Assistant Secretary
Alex Linden, Govt & Public Relations Manager	

Others present were:

John Thorburn, Tri-Basin NRD	Dave Ford
Gary Robison	

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Board President Rowe announced that information for the public concerning the Open Meetings Act was available for interested parties to view.

At 9:00 a.m. Board President Rowe announced the meeting was open for business and proceeded with roll call.

PUBLIC INPUT: John Thorburn thanked staff for coordinating a tour of the District on August 12, 2024 for the Tri-Basin board members, staff and others.

Director Dahlgren entered the meeting at 9:02 a.m.

CONSENT AGENDA: Devin Brundage provided an overview of the items on the Consent Agenda which were presented and discussed at the July 26, 2024 Committee Meeting of the Board.



The Board President asked the Directors if there were items they wished to remove from the Consent Agenda for individual discussion and voting. Hearing none, the following Consent Agenda was presented:

- **Approval of Minutes of Regular Business Meeting of the Board of Directors held July 1, 2024**
- **Approval of Minutes of Committee Meeting of the Board of Directors held July 26, 2024**
- **Approval of the August Disbursements:**

Hydro Division:

Check # 72890-VOID; Check #s 72978 through 73230 & 8901392 through 8901424 (Accounts Payable) \$2,122,036.70

Payroll \$604,976.74

Kingsley Division:

Check #s 3672 through 3686 (Accounts Payable) \$89,955.81

Glendo Division:

Check # 1124 \$8,626.44

- **Approval of Bid from MCO Trucks for 2013 Peterbilt Semi-Truck (\$205,000.00)**
- **Approval of Bid from Intellicom Computer Consulting Inc. for Gothenburg/Hydro Telecommunications System (\$75,620.00)**
- **Approval of Progress Estimate (Final) – Pony Express Chevrolet for Irrigation Pickups (\$43,473.00)**
- **Approval of Elwood Seepage Repair Project Work Change Directive #3 (WCD#3) - Schedule Extension**

It was moved by Director Dudley Nelson and seconded by Director Knoerzer to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Upon voting on the motion, the following Directors voted therefore: Bogle, Boyle, Dahlgren, Knoerzer, Mueller, David Nelson, Dudley Nelson, R. Olson, S. Olson, Rowe, Shepherd, and Soneson. None voted no and the motion was declared carried.

2024 BUDGET AMENDMENTS: Devin Brundage presented Revision #8 to the 2024 Budget as follows:

<b>HYDRO DIVISION</b>	<b>Current Budget</b>	<b>Proposed Budget</b>	<b>Difference</b>
<u>Capital</u>			
Supply Canal RTU 11.9	\$20,000	\$27,200	\$7,200
Annunciator Panels at J1 & J2	\$65,000	\$75,900	\$10,900
Sedan	\$0	\$40,000	\$40,000
Semi-Tractor	\$200,000	\$226,000	\$26,000
Gothenburg / Hydro Telephone System	\$0	\$110,000	\$110,000
Schilling Bridge	\$600,000	\$684,600	\$84,600

It was moved by Director S. Olson and seconded by Director Boyle to approve Revision #8 to the 2024 Budget as presented. Upon voting on the motion, the following Directors voted therefore: Bogle, Boyle, Dahlgren, Knoerzer, Mueller, David Nelson, Dudley Nelson, R. Olson, S. Olson, Rowe, Shepherd, and Soneson. None voted no and the motion was declared carried.

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- d. Work Order No. 107471 – Schilling Bridge Replacement (\$684,600.00)
- e. Supplemental Work Order No. 107404 – Annunciator Panel Upgrades at J1/J2 (\$10,933.00)
- f. Supplemental Work Order No. 107475 – Supply Canal RTU 11.9 Upgrade (\$7,497.00)
- g. Purchase Requisition No. 24296 – MDO Trucks for Semi-Truck for Gothenburg (\$205,000.00)
- h. Work Order No. 107490-2024 – MDO Trucks for Semi-Truck for Gothenburg (\$225,930.50)

**It was moved by Director Bogle and seconded by Director Soneson to approve the Work Order/Purchase Requisitions as presented. Upon voting on the motion, the following Directors voted therefore: Bogle, Boyle, Dahlgren, Knoerzer, Mueller, David Nelson, Dudley Nelson, R. Olson, S. Olson, Rowe, Shepherd, and Soneson. None voted no and the motion was declared carried.**

HAIL DAMAGED TRUCKS – PONY EXPRESS CHEVROLET: Haley Munson presented a quote from Pony Express for discounted pickups due to hail damage. No action was taken at this time.

ELWOOD SEEPAGE REPAIR PROJECT: Scott Dicke reported the substantial completion date for the project has been moved from September 13, 2024 to September 14, 2024, providing the contractor one additional Saturday to finalize the project. He presented Work Change Directive (WCD) #4 in the amount of \$176,609.68 to conduct additional excavation and filter sand placement along a section of the blanket drain, flatten the slopes along the north portion of the weighted filter, and regrade the road to improve surface drainage.

**It was moved by Director Dudley Nelson and seconded by Director Knoerzer to approve Work Change Directive (WCD) #4 in the total amount of \$176,609.68 as presented. Upon voting on the motion, the following Directors voted therefore: Bogle, Boyle, Dahlgren, Knoerzer, Mueller, David Nelson, Dudley Nelson, R. Olson, S. Olson, Rowe, Shepherd, and Soneson. None voted no and the motion was declared carried.**

DISTRICT BYLAWS AND ASSOCIATED POLICIES: A final review of the Bylaws and associated policies was presented.

**It was moved by Director Shepherd and seconded by Director Soneson to approve the revised District Bylaws as presented. Upon voting on the motion, the following Directors voted therefore: Bogle, Boyle, Dahlgren, Knoerzer, Mueller, David Nelson, Dudley Nelson, R. Olson, S. Olson, Rowe, Shepherd, and Soneson. None voted no and the motion was declared carried.**

**It was moved by Director Knoerzer and seconded by Director Dudley Nelson to approve Policy Nos. ORG-1 (District Policy Categories), ORG-2 (Terms, Defined), ORG-3 (Governance), ORG-4 (Operating Divisions), BRD-1 (Meetings of the Board of Directors), BRD-2 (Committees), BRD-3 (Agenda Planning), BRD-4 (Notice of Meetings), BRD-5 (Public Participation), BRD-6 (Election of Officers; Vacancy), BRD-7 (Director Vacancy), BRD-8 (Compensation), BRD-9 (External Auditor Relationship), and MGT-1 (Delegation to the General Manager) as presented. Upon voting on the motion, the following Directors voted therefore: Bogle, Boyle, Dahlgren, Knoerzer, Mueller, David Nelson, Dudley Nelson, R. Olson, S. Olson, Rowe, Shepherd, and Soneson. None voted no and the motion was declared carried.**

LEGISLATION: Alex Linden reported on the special legislative session that began on July 25, 2024 to consider property tax bills. Numerous bills have been introduced. The Nebraska Department of Natural Resources does not yet have an interim director as Tom Riley is no longer the director as of August 2, 2024.

WORKSHOPS, SEMINARS AND CONFERENCES: President Rowe reminded the directors to let Emily Anderson know if they are interested in registering for any upcoming conferences.

- a. Clean Currents by National Hydropower Assoc. – October 7-10, 2024, Portland, OR
- b. Nebraska Wind & Solar - October 22-23, 2024, Lincoln
- c. Nebraska Power Association Annual Conference - October 29-30, 2024, Kearney

PERSONNEL: None.

DIRECTORS' ATTENDANCE: All directors were present.

BOARD COMMENTS: None.

LEGAL UPDATE: Charles Brewster reported the Jeffrey Island shooting range with 1,000 Plus LLC has been signed. He has been dealing with an issue where a local communications company bored into a pipeline that feeds into Cottonwood Ranch. He has been working with staff to review contracts and leases.

MANAGEMENT REPORTS: The following were presented:

- a. Cory Steinke reported on the hiring of three new general maintenance employees in Gothenburg.
- b. Mike Drain read a section of a recent FERC letter which identifies nine additional items they would like completed before further considering the District's Inflow Design Flood report. He will confer with the consultants tomorrow to plan the next steps to address FERC's concerns.

Director Mueller left the Zoom meeting at 10:18 a.m.

- c. Tyler Thulin reported Lake McConaughy is at elevation 3,232.5 and 53.2% capacity. The inflows to Lake McConaughy are approximately 450 cfs and outflows are around 2,400 cfs.
- d. Jim Brown successfully obtained a permit from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to pump dredged sediment downstream from the Diversion Dam when flows are adequate.
- e. Scott Dicke displayed videos of the E-67 Water Screen in operation.
- f. Alex Linden will provide a tour of the District to Johnson Lake cabin owners on Friday. There was enough interest in the tour by the cabin owners that he is taking two vans to accommodate them. He will assist with the Tri-Basin NRD director tour of the District next week. He is working to schedule tours with the Cozad Economic Development Corporation and a group of Kearney County irrigators. He will be attending Governor Pillen's Ag & Economic Summit in Kearney later this week.
- g. Rochelle Jurgens reminded the directors of the Finance Committee meeting immediately following this meeting.
- h. Eric Hixson reported the capacity tests at Jeffrey/J1/J2 were successful. He continues working towards achieving a direct line of communication to the Southwest Power Pool.
- i. Devin Brundage briefed the board on previous efforts to fill director vacancies at the Nebraska Department of Natural Resources that included a stakeholder group providing assistance in developing potential candidates for the Governor's consideration, and hopes a similar collaborative process continues to be utilized.

**ADJOURNMENT: It was moved by Director R. Olson and seconded by Director S. Olson to adjourn the Regular Business Meeting of the Board at 10:37 AM. Upon voting on the motion, the following Directors voted therefore: Bogle, Boyle, Dahlgren, Knoerzer, David Nelson, Dudley Nelson, R. Olson, S. Olson, Rowe, Shepherd, and Soneson. Absent was: Mueller. The motion was declared carried.**

ATTEST:

THE CENTRAL NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER  
AND IRRIGATION DISTRICT

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William E. Knoerzer, Secretary

By \_\_\_\_\_  
David L. Rowe, President