

CENTRAL NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER AND IRRIGATION DISTRICT

HOLDREGE, NEBRASKA

JULY 7, 2026 – 9:00 A.M.

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MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING OF THE  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
THE CENTRAL NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER AND IRRIGATION DISTRICT

Lake McConaughy Visitors Center  
1475 Hwy 61 North  
Ogallala, NE

JUNE 26, 2026 – 9:00 A.M (MDT)

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A notice giving the time, date, and place of this meeting was mailed to each Director on June 9, 2026.

The following Directors were present:

|                             |                 |                |
|-----------------------------|-----------------|----------------|
| Kyle Shepherd, President    | Tom Jasnoch     | Roger D. Olson |
| Dudley L. Nelson, Treasurer | Bryant Knoerzer | Gary Robison   |
| Tim Boyle, Secretary        | David G. Nelson | David L. Rowe  |
|                             |                 | Matt Wells     |

The following Directors were absent: Geoffrey K. Bogle and Brent Soneson

Also present were the following:

|                                               |                                                 |
|-----------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|
| Devin M. Brundage, General Manager            | Nate Nielsen, Kingsley Dam Foreman              |
| Rochelle A. Jurgens, Controller               | Gabe Wilson, Lake Mac Habitat/Maintenance Tech. |
| Scott Dicke, Irrigation & Water Services Mgr. | Jason Meints, Electrical/Mechanical Tech.       |
| Alex Linden, Govt & Public Relations Mgr.     | Luke Ritz, Senior Land Administrator (via Zoom) |
| Tyler Thulin, Civil Engineer                  | Charles Brewster, Legal Counsel                 |
| Anton Hassebrook, Hydroelectric Ops. Super.   | Emily J. Anderson, Assistant Secretary          |

Others:

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| Rich Roth     | Reed McClymont        |
| Lane Anderson | Carson Messersmith    |
| Mark Hahn     | Tyler Francisco, NGPC |
| Mike Smith    |                       |

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Board President Shepherd 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: Devin Brundage introduced Richard Key, the new president of Lake McConaughy Lessees, Inc. (LMLI). Lane Anderson, Keith County Commissioner, and Mike Smith, a resident of the K-3 area at Lake McConaughy, expressed concern about Environmental Account releases from Lake McConaughy each year, especially during years of lower elevation levels and asked

that Central find ways to reduce environmental account releases to maintain higher elevation levels. Brundage provided education about the Platte River Recovery Implementation Program’s history and the District’s continuing efforts to maintain water in Lake McConaughy. He encouraged the members of the public to stay for the rest of the meeting to hear a presentation by Scott Dicke that details all water demands the prior water year.

PURCHASE REQUISITION NO. 41964 – PDS, INC. FOR RECONDITIONED BREAKER (\$55,950.00):  
Anton Hassebrook explained this refurbished breaker will be part of the Jeffrey T-3 upgrade.

**It was moved by Director Rowe and seconded by Director Jasnoch to approve Purchase Requisition No. 41964 for a reconditioned breaker from PDS Inc. in the amount of \$55,950.00. Upon voting on the motion, the following Directors voted therefore: Boyle, Jasnoch, Knoerzer, David Nelson, Dudley Nelson, Olson, Robison, Rowe, Shepherd, and Wells. Absent were: Bogle and Soneson. The motion was declared carried.**

NEW RTU AND POWER FEED AT 51.8: Anton Hassebrook presented Work Order No. 107543 in the amount of \$36,892.00 and Revision #8 to the 2026 Budget as follows:

|                                | <u>Current<br/>Budget</u> | <u>Proposed<br/>Budget</u> | <u>Difference</u> |
|--------------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------|
| <u>HYDRO ELECTRIC DIVISION</u> |                           |                            |                   |
| RTU 51.8                       | \$0                       | \$36,900                   | \$36,900          |

**It was moved by Director Rowe and seconded by Director Dudley Nelson to approve Revision #8 to the 2026 Budget in the net difference of \$36,900.00 and Work Order No. 107543 in the amount of \$36,892.00. Upon voting on the motion, the following Directors voted therefore: Boyle, Jasnoch, Knoerzer, David Nelson, Dudley Nelson, Olson, Robison, Rowe, Shepherd, and Wells. Absent were: Bogle and Soneson. The motion was declared carried.**

MODIFIED ENGAGEMENT LETTER WITH WOODS AITKEN FOR GENERAL MANAGER SEARCH:  
Charles Brewster stated Dave Jarecke of Woods Aitken requested a modification to the engagement letter for the general manager search to compensate his firm in the event more communications and meetings with the full board are requested by the board, beyond what was initially contemplated in the proposal provided to the board.

**It was moved by Director Dudley Nelson and seconded by Director Rowe to approve the Modified Engagement Letter with Woods Aitken for the General Manager Search Services. Upon voting on the motion, the following Directors voted therefore: Boyle, Jasnoch, Knoerzer, David Nelson, Dudley Nelson, Olson, Rowe, Shepherd, and Wells. Robison voted no. Absent were: Bogle and Soneson. The motion was declared carried.**

DIRECTORS’ ATTENDANCE: It was moved by Director Boyle seconded by Director Knoerzer to excuse the absences of Geoffrey K. Bogle and Brent Soneson from this meeting. Upon voting on the motion, the following Directors voted therefore: Boyle, Jasnoch, Knoerzer, David Nelson, Dudley Nelson, Olson, Robison, Rowe, Shepherd, and Wells. The motion was declared carried.

ADJOURNMENT: It was moved by Director Rowe seconded by Director Boyle to adjourn this meeting at 9:28 a.m. Upon voting on the motion, the following Directors voted therefore: Boyle, Jasnoch, Knoerzer, David Nelson, Dudley Nelson, Olson, Robison, Rowe, Shepherd, and Wells. Absent were: Bogle and Soneson. The motion was declared carried.

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PUBLIC INPUT: None.

CONSENT TO ASSIGNMENT SUMMARY: There were three consents to assign approved during the month of June, 2026.

PERMIT TO CONSTRUCT SUMMARY: The following Permits to Construct were approved in June, 2026:

| Permits to Construct<br>Approved by General Manager or Designee<br>6/26/2026 |                  |                    |                                                       |                                |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------|--------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| <u>Number</u>                                                                | <u>Name</u>      | <u>Description</u> | <u>Permit &amp; Purpose</u>                           | <u>Date Approved &amp; Fee</u> |
| 1.                                                                           | Midwest Electric | SW1/4 21-15-38     | Install electrical service and appurtenant equipment. | 05/27/2026                     |

| Permits to Construct<br>Approved by Land Administration Department<br>6/26/2026 – Johnson Lake |                                   |                                  |                                                                   |                                |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| <u>Number</u>                                                                                  | <u>Name</u>                       | <u>Description</u>               | <u>Permit &amp; Purpose</u>                                       | <u>Date Approved &amp; Fee</u> |
| 2.                                                                                             | Bazata, Ronald                    | Lakeview Acres Jetty             | Permit to Construct - Tree removal                                | 5/18/2026                      |
| 3.                                                                                             | Crumrine, Rodney                  | 7 Northeast Cove Dr. 9           | DWEL - Construct a larger wooden entry door landing 4' x 6' x 16' | 03/21/2026                     |
| 4.                                                                                             | Lee, Nathan & Haley               | 4 Mallard Cove Dr. 19            | Permit to Operate – Vacation Rental                               | 04/24/2026<br>\$1000.00        |
| 5.                                                                                             | TFD Investments LLC               | 1 & 2 Merriweather               | SWAF - Install 4' x 80' dock, 10' x 10' Shore station             | 05/11/2026<br>\$50.00          |
| 6.                                                                                             | Mestl, Kenneth & Carl             | 118 Mallard Beach Dr. 22         | DWEL - Place new black granite stone                              | 05/18/2026                     |
| 7.                                                                                             | McClure, Allan & LaDonna          | 93 Mallard Beach Dr. 22          | DWEL ATF - Previously replaced privacy fence with a new fence     | 05/18/2026<br>\$100.00         |
| 8.                                                                                             | Irish, Michelle                   | 54 Lakeview Acres Dr. 14A        | DWEL ATF - Previously installed drainage system                   | 05/18/2026<br>\$100.00         |
| 9.                                                                                             | Bennett, Curtis & Nelson, Jeffrey | 19 Mallard Beach Dr. 20          | SWAF - Install new 12' x 12' shore station                        | 05/18/2026<br>\$50.00          |
| 10.                                                                                            | East Shore                        | Behind Lot 40 East Shore Commons | VEG - Tree removal                                                | 05/19/2026                     |
| 11.                                                                                            | East Shore                        | Behind Lot 44 East Shore Commons | VEG - Tree removal                                                | 05/19/2026                     |
| 12.                                                                                            | Brown, Karen                      | 23 Crappie Corner                | VEG- Tree Removal                                                 | 05/19/2026                     |
| 13.                                                                                            | Norwood, Nancy                    | 7 Mallard Beach                  | VEG-Tree removal                                                  | 05/19/2026                     |
| 14.                                                                                            | Baldonado, Jim & Sharri           | 87 Mallard Beach                 | VEG - Tree removal                                                | 05/19/2026                     |
| 15.                                                                                            | Paulsen Inc                       | 55 & 56 North Point              | Common Use SWAF - Install Boat Lift 12' x 12'                     | 05/19/2026<br>\$50.00          |
| 16.                                                                                            | High, Joel & Julianne             | 94 Mallard Beach Dr. 22          | SWAF - Install 8' x 8' dock patio, 10' x 10' boat lift            | 05/19/2026<br>\$50.00          |
| 17.                                                                                            | Rutenbeck, Terry & Angela         | 1 North Cove Dr. 10              | SWAF - Install 10' x 10' double jet ski lift                      | 05/19/2026<br>\$50.00          |
| 18.                                                                                            | Cline, Aaron & Whitney            | 126 Lakeview Acres Dr. 14D       | ECS - Install 2 - 3'T x 10'6"L Retaining walls                    | 05/26/2026                     |
| 19.                                                                                            | Fagot, Dave & Mag                 | 21 Perch Bay Dr. 6               | VEG - Tree removal                                                | 05/26/2026                     |
| 20.                                                                                            | Evans, Chris & Rebecca            | 10 Bass Bay Dr. 16               | SWAF ATF - Previously installed 12' x 12' boat lift               | 05/26/2026<br>\$100.00         |
| 21.                                                                                            | Nelson, Bryan                     | 25 Kirby Point Dr. 2             | SWAF - Install 8'L x 12' W dock patio section                     | 05/26/2026<br>\$50.00          |
| 22.                                                                                            | East Shore                        | Drive 1B                         | VEG - Tree removal                                                | 05/28/2026                     |

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| 23.                                                                                            | Heineman,<br>Monica              | 12 Bass Bay Dr.<br>16                | SWAF - Install Jet ski lift, 4' x 8'<br>dock sections, shorestation      | 05/29/2026<br>\$50.00              |
| 24.                                                                                            | KL Family Roots<br>LLC           | 11 Sandy Point<br>Dr. 24             | VEG - Tree removal                                                       | 06/05/2026                         |
| 25.                                                                                            | Hinchman,<br>Rebecca             | 58 Mallard<br>Beach So Bay<br>Dr. 21 | SWAF - Install 5' x 18' pave stone<br>access                             | 60/15/2002<br>\$50.00              |
| Permits to Construct<br>Approved by Land Administration Department<br>6/26/2026 – Jeffrey Lake |                                  |                                      |                                                                          |                                    |
| <u>Number</u>                                                                                  | <u>Name</u>                      | <u>Description</u>                   | <u>Permit &amp; Purpose</u>                                              | <u>Date Approved &amp;<br/>Fee</u> |
| 26.                                                                                            | Anthony,<br>Brentton &<br>Bailey | 81 Pelican Dr.                       | SWAF - Install 5' x 10' floating dock<br>section, 3' x 12' alum. Gangway | 05/12/2026<br>\$50.00              |
| 27.                                                                                            | Kaschke,<br>Orville &<br>Mary    | 36 S Lakeview<br>Rd                  | SWAF - Install 4' x 6' concrete anchor<br>pad                            | 05/15/2026<br>\$50.00              |
| 28.                                                                                            | Mann,<br>William &<br>Beth       | 39 S Lakeview<br>Rd                  | SWAF - Install 6' x 12' dock, 12' x 12'<br>boat lift                     | 05/19/2026<br>\$50.00              |
| 29.                                                                                            | Kimberly,<br>Daniel              | 116 Anchor Bay<br>Dr.                | DWEL - Install 10' x 19' shed                                            | 05/29/2026                         |
| 30.                                                                                            | Blender,<br>David                | 66 S lakeview<br>Rd                  | DWEL - Construct 1' x 24' wood patio                                     | 05/29/2026                         |
| 31.                                                                                            | Rickertsen,<br>Luke              | 61 S Lakeview<br>Rd                  | DWEL - Install 18' x 35' concrete patio                                  | 06/02/2026                         |

WATER SERVICE AGREEMENTS: None.

WORK ORDER/PURCHASE REQUISITION SUMMARY: Staff presented the following:

- a. Purchase Requisition No. 40471 – Ayres Associates, Inc. – FERC Part 12D Services (\$42,407.70)

UPDATE FROM THE NEBRASKA GAME AND PARKS COMMISSION: Tyler Francisco from the NGPC informed the Board of current and upcoming projects at Lake McConaughy.

HIRING COMMITTEE UPDATE: President Shepherd reported there were nearly 100 applications received for the general manager position. Dave Jarecke and Ellen Kreifels from Woods Aitken are currently conducting interviews to reduce the number of candidates to around 25 for the committee to review. Shepherd indicated the top six candidates will be identified near the end of July, 2026.

DAWSON COUNTY SUPPLY CANAL BRIDGE – MP 44.9 (IDE BRIDGE): Cory Steinke continues negotiations with the property owner.

AMENDMENT AND RESTATEMENT OF DISTRICT CHARTER: Devin Brundage had nothing new to report.

E-65 SIPHON PROJECT: Scott Dicke would like to hold a Special Projects Committee meeting near the end of July.

A break was taken at 9:59 a.m. The meeting resumed at 10:09 a.m.

KINGSLEY DAM REFACING PROJECT: Devin Brundage noted Mike Drain is at a National Hydropower Association board meeting in California. Efforts continue to offer edits to the Water Resources Development Act (WRDA) language and to lobby legislators to support the maintaining and enhancing hydropower tax bill.

PERKINS COUNTY CANAL UPDATE: Devin Brundage reported that the U.S. Supreme Court has granted Nebraska's request to proceed with its case against Colorado regarding the South Platte River Compact and Perkins County Canal claims. Colorado has 30 days to answer the complaint, and the Court is expected to appoint a Special Master to oversee proceedings, conduct hearings, and submit recommended findings to the Court. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers permitting process continues. Plans continue to arrange tours of the project to educate senators and stakeholders.

LEGISLATION: Alex Linden conducted a tour of the Perkins County Canal project with three State Senators and staff members last week. There are no interim study bills that he is following this summer.

BOARD REPORTS AND COMMENTS: Director Dave Nelson reported on a recent tour he participated in of the Hastings ammunition depot and the role early energy development from Central's system played in it coming to the area. Directors Boyle, Dudley Nelson and Tom Jasnoch reported on their attendance at the recent NRD and Summer Water Tours. Jasnoch commented on positive conversations he had with NPPD board members and staff during the social/dinner hosted by NPPD on June 10, 2026 in Kearney. Director Knoerzer reported on his attendance at a recent public hearing held by Tri-Basin NRD about a potential return pipeline from Elwood Reservoir into Plum Creek.

LEGAL UPDATE: Charles Brewster has been conversing with the attorney for the property owner near the Diversion Dam about the suit filed in the Lincoln County District Court. He continues working on lease transfers with the Land Administration team, reviewing various contracts, and handling a trespass matter near Elwood Reservoir.

MANAGEMENT REPORTS: The following reports were provided:

- a. Scott Dicke reported on the Summer Water Tour he participated in earlier this week. He announced the District was not awarded a WaterSmart grant from the Bureau of Reclamation for the Rubicon automated system. He presented on the water supply and usage from water year 2025 and demonstrated the Colors of Water tool on the District's website.
- b. Anton Hassebrook attended a factory acceptance testing session for the new Jeffrey transformer in Ohio last week. He has been working on reports for the Southwest Power Pool data transfer link. William Fiddelke began work this month as the new Electrical Engineer.
- c. Tyler Thulin reported Lake McConaughy is at elevation 3,218.1, 650,000-acre feet and 37.4% capacity. The inflows to Lake McConaughy are approximately 270 cfs and outflows are 1,750 cfs. Releases from the Environmental Account reached about 100,000-acre feet which lowered the elevation of Lake McConaughy by approximately 5.0'. The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service waived the flow attenuation plan until July 16, 2026 as there were no nesting birds identified along the Platte River at this time.
- d. Devin Brundage reported on behalf of Cory Steinke that some of the Glendo canal companies have requested additional supplemental surface water. Further discussions on this topic will continue at the July 7, 2026 Regular Business Meeting of the Board.
- e. Gabe Wilson discussed his efforts to collect tern and plover numbers on Lake McConaughy beaches, perform water quality testing, and maintenance work in the hydro.
- f. Nate Nielsen arranged to provide the directors a boat tour following this meeting to view the face of Kingsley Dam and other areas of interest around Lake McConaughy.
- g. Alex Linden thanked the directors for participating in the recent tours. There were over 50 people who attended the annual Summer Water Tour. He continues efforts to schedule District tours with cabin owners.



- h. Rochelle Jurgens reported she is caught up on her monthly financial reports now that the audit has been completed.
- i. Devin Brundage reported a routine state inspection of the Elwood Reservoir Dam was completed. Jason Farnsworth will be retiring from his position at PRRIP and Chad Smith will take over his duties. Staff will be working on the Kingsley Hydro contract with NPPD staff members.

PERSONNEL: None.

OUT OF STATE TRAVEL: The following was presented:

| <u>Name</u>    | <u>Meeting</u>               | <u>Location</u> | <u>Date</u>    |
|----------------|------------------------------|-----------------|----------------|
| Devin Brundage | Perkins County Canal Meeting | Littleton, CO   | July 7-8, 2026 |
| Cory Steinke   | Perkins County Canal Meeting | Littleton, CO   | July 7-8, 2026 |

WORKSHOPS, SEMINARS AND CONFERENCES:

- a. 2026 Nebraska Governor’s Summit – September 28-29, 2026 in Kearney, NE
- b. 2026 Nebraska Water Conference – October 15-16, 2026 in Lincoln, NE
- c. Nebraska Wind & Solar Conference & Exhibition – October 20-21, 2026 in Lincoln, NE
- d. NWRA/NSIA Joint Convention 2026 – November 22-24, 2026 in Kearney, NE

BOARD SUB-COMMITTEE MEETINGS AND OTHER IMPORTANT UPCOMING EVENTS:

- a. Hiring Committee Meeting – July 28, 2026
- b. Special Projects Committee Meeting – late-July (date to be determined)

The meeting adjourned at 11:24 a.m.

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Also present were the following:

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| Cory A. Steinke, Hydraulic Project Ops. Mgr.   | Charles Brewster, Legal Counsel                 |
| Scott Dicke, Irrigation Division Manager       | Emily J. Anderson, Assistant Secretary          |
| Alex Linden, Gov't & Public Relations Manager  |                                                 |

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PUBLIC INPUT: None.

CONSENT AGENDA: Devin Brundage provided an overview of the items on the Consent Agenda which were presented and discussed during the June 26, 2026 Working Meeting of the Board.

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

- **Approval of Minutes of Regular Business Meeting of the Board of Directors held June 1, 2026**
- **Approval of Minutes of Special Meeting of the Board of Directors held June 26, 2026**
- **Approval of Minutes of Working Meeting of the Board of Directors held June 26, 2026**
- **Approval of the July Disbursements:**

Hydro Division:

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| Check #s 77756 through 77981 &<br>8902099 through 8902128 (Accounts Payable) | \$2,037,998.55 |
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| Payroll | \$631,873.80 |
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Kingsley Division:

|                                                                  |              |
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| Check # 3687-VOID; Check #s 3866 through 3872 (Accounts Payable) | \$105,729.36 |
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Glendo Division:

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| Check # 1128 | \$13,181.90 |
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- **Approval of Purchase Requisition No. 40471 – Ayres Associates, Inc. – FERC Part 12D Services (\$42,407.70)**

**It was moved by Director Rowe and seconded by Director Knoerzer to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Upon voting on the motion, the following Directors voted therefore: Bogle, Boyle, Jasnoch, Knoerzer, Dudley Nelson, Olson, Robison, Rowe, Shepherd, Soneson, and Wells. Absent was: David Nelson. The motion was declared carried.**

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

- a. Supplemental Work Order No. 107471 – Replace Schillings Timber Bridge with Concrete Bridge (\$90,000.00)
- b. Work Order No. 107544 – Purchase Crack Filler Machine and Saw (\$55,200.00)
- c. Purchase Requisition No. 42051 - Crack Filler Machine and Saw (\$45,569.71)

**It was moved by Director Rowe and seconded by Director Jasnoch to approve Supplemental Work Order No. 107471, Work Order No. 107544, and Purchase Requisition No. 42051 as presented above. Upon voting on the motion, the following Directors voted therefore: Bogle, Boyle, Jasnoch, Knoerzer, Dudley Nelson, Olson, Robison, Rowe, Shepherd, Soneson, and Wells. Absent was: David Nelson. The motion was declared carried.**

DAWSON COUNTY SUPPLY CANAL BRIDGE (MP 44.9 – IDE BRIDGE): This was discussed in Closed Session.

REQUESTS FOR PROPOSALS FOR STRUCTURAL ENGINEERING WORK AT THE SUPPLY CANAL HYDROS: McKinley Harm displayed photos of areas of structural concern identified in the Mead and Hunt study of the J-1, J-2 and Jeffrey hydros. She presented a draft of a Request for Proposals that will be sent out soon to engineering firms interested in designing the necessary repairs.

GLENDON WATER SUPPLY: Devin Brundage reported the North Platte Canal Companies (Keith-Lincoln, Lisco, Paxton-Hershey, Platte Valley, and Suburban) requested additional storage water under their Water Service Agreement with the District and staff declined their request.

KINGSLEY DAM REFACING PROJECT – BOARD OF CONSULTANTS’ INITIAL REPORT: Brundage continues working with NHA and SMI to offer edits to the Water Resources Development Act (WRDA) language and to lobby legislators to support the maintaining and enhancing hydropower tax bill.

HIRING COMMITTEE UPDATE: Board President Shepherd reported that Woods Aitken has narrowed the applications for the general manager position down to 21 from 99. The Hiring Committee will meet on July 28, 2026 at 9:30 a.m. in Kearney to pare this number down even further before the next cycle of interviews occurs with the top candidates.

LEGISLATION: There was nothing new to report.

WORKSHOPS, SEMINARS AND CONFERENCES:

- a. 2026 Nebraska Governor's Summit – September 28-29, 2026 in Kearney, NE
- b. 2026 Nebraska Water Conference – October 15-16, 2026 in Lincoln, NE
- c. Nebraska Wind & Solar Conference & Exhibition – October 20-21, 2026 in Lincoln, NE
- d. NWSA/NSIA Joint Convention 2026 – November 22-24, 2026 in Kearney, NE

PERSONNEL: None.

DIRECTORS' ATTENDANCE: **It was moved by Director Soneson and seconded by Director Boyle to excuse the absence of David G. Nelson from this meeting. Upon voting on the motion, the following Directors voted therefore: Bogle, Boyle, Jasnoch, Knoerzer, Dudley Nelson, Olson, Robison, Rowe, Shepherd, Soneson, and Wells. Absent was: David Nelson. The motion was declared carried.**

BOARD MEMBER REPORTS & COMMENTS: Director Knoerzer traveled to Wyoming last week and observed very dry conditions. Director Rowe complimented Johnson Lake's firework display. Director Jasnoch reported on the wind event at Lake McConaughy that toppled several campers on the beaches. Director Boyle observed many families and boaters utilizing Phillips Canyon Lake recently.

LEGAL UPDATE: Charles Brewster scheduled a meeting on July 15, 2026 with the Land Administration team to discuss lease transfer procedures. More was discussed in Closed Session regarding the Diversion Dam litigation against an adjacent landowner.

MANAGEMENT REPORTS: The following were presented:

- a. Cory Steinke stated the dredging crew is making good progress at the Diversion Dam. Staff members are otherwise working on usual maintenance projects.
- b. Tyler Thulin reported Lake McConaughy is at elevation 3,215.8, 615,000 acre-feet and 35.1% capacity. Inflows to Lake McConaughy are approximately 215 cfs and outflows are around 1,950 cfs. Irrigation demand significantly increased the past week.
- c. Luke Ritz has been occupied with regular permitting activities and addressing issues with adjacent landowners.
- d. Scott Dicke reported on the high demand for irrigation deliveries over the past week. The Phelps and E-65 canal systems are running at full capacity.
- e. Alex Linden will attend the NSIA summer meetings later today and tomorrow with Scott Dicke. Last week, he provided a tour to Tri-Basin NRD and NRCS staff members and later this week he will give a tour to international UNL students. The District participated in the recent parades in Holdrege and Bertrand.
- f. Eric Hixson reported construction is underway on the new 69kV transformer at Jeffrey.
- g. Rochelle Jurgens provided a presentation on 2025 Stats and Financial Performance which included generation, revenues, and budget v. actual graphs.
- h. Devin Brundage will attend a participating agency meeting with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers about the Perkins County Canal project this week with Cory Steinke. He is

monitoring the U.S. Supreme Court case closely regarding the Perkins County Canal project. Applications for Water Sustainability Fund grants will be scored next month. He complimented Tyler Thulin for the great job he did managing water levels at District lakes over the July 4<sup>th</sup> weekend.

BOARD SUB-COMMITTEE MEETINGS AND OTHER IMPORTANT UPCOMING EVENTS:

- a. Hiring Committee Meeting – July 28, 2026
- b. Special Projects Committee Meeting – late-July (date to be determined)

A break was taken at 10:35 a.m. The meeting resumed at 10:43 a.m.

**At 10:48 AM it was moved by Director Boyle and seconded by Director Soneson to enter Closed Session. Upon voting on the motion, the following Directors voted therefore: Bogle, Boyle, Jasnoch, Knoerzer, Dudley Nelson, Olson, Robison, Rowe, Shepherd, Soneson, and Wells. Absent was: David Nelson. None voted no and the motion was declared carried. President Shepherd announced the reasons for entering into Closed Session was for contract negotiations, discussion of pending litigation, and to receive legal advice regarding the Dawson County Supply Canal Bridge (MP44.9 – Ide Bridge) and Legal Update-Diversion Dam Litigation.**

C L O S E D   S E S S I O N

**At 11:19 AM it was moved by Director Olson seconded by Director Jasnoch to exit Closed Session to reconvene in Regular Session. Upon voting on the motion, the following Directors voted therefore: Bogle, Boyle, Jasnoch, Knoerzer, Dudley Nelson, Olson, Robison, Rowe, Shepherd, Soneson, and Wells. Absent was: David Nelson. None voted no and the motion was declared carried. President Shepherd stated the discussion held in Closed Session was limited to the following agenda items: Dawson County Supply Canal Bridge (MP44.9 – Ide Bridge) and Legal Update-Diversion Dam Litigation.**

ADJOURNMENT: **It was moved by Director Knoerzer and seconded by Director Soneson to adjourn this meeting at 11:20 a.m. Upon voting on the motion, the following Directors voted therefore: Bogle, Boyle, Jasnoch, Knoerzer, Dudley Nelson, Olson, Robison, Rowe, Shepherd, Soneson, and Wells. Absent was: David Nelson. The motion was declared carried.**

ATTEST:

THE CENTRAL NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER  
AND IRRIGATION DISTRICT

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Tim Boyle, Secretary

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Kyle Shepherd, President