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HOLDREGE, NEBRASKA

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MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING OF THE

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

THE CENTRAL NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER AND IRRIGATION DISTRICT

HOLDREGE, NE

SEPTEMBER 25, 2026 – 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 September 21, 2026, and through legal publication in the Holdrege Daily Citizen on September 17, 2026, and the Kearney Hub, North Platte Telegraph, and Lexington Clipper-Herald on September 19, 2026 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 notice giving the time, date, and place of this meeting was mailed to each Director on September 10, 2026.

The following Directors were present:

Kyle Shepherd, President	Geoffrey K. Bogle	Roger D. Olson
Brent Soneson, Vice President	Tom Jasnoch	Gary Robison
Dudley L. Nelson, Treasurer	Bryant Knoerzer	David L. Rowe
	David G. Nelson	Matt Wells

The following Director was absent: Tim Boyle

Also present were the following:

Devin M. Brundage, General Manager	Tyler Thulin, Civil Engineer
Rochelle A. Jurgens, Controller	Anton Hassebrook, Hydroelectric Ops. Super.*
Eric Hixson, Electrical Project Ops. Mgr.	McKinley Harm, Civil Engineer*
Scott Dicke, Irrigation & Water Services Mgr.	Steve Osterbuhr, Irrigation Super.
Mike A. Drain, Nat. Res. & Compliance Mgr.*	Luke Ritz, Senior Land Administrator*
Cory A. Steinke, Hydraulic Project Ops. Mgr.	Dusty Way, Irrigation Ops. Supervisor
Alex Linden, Govt & Public Relations Mgr.	Carson Messersmith, Legal Counsel
	Emily J. Anderson, Assistant Secretary

**via Zoom*

Others:

Nancy Garrelts	Reed McClymont
Dave Jarecke, Woods Aitken	Ellen Kreifels, Woods Aitken

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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: None.

HIRING COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION FOR SELECTION OF GENERAL MANAGER: **At 9:01 AM it was moved by Director Olson and seconded by Director Jasnoch to enter Closed Session. Upon voting on the motion, the following Directors voted therefore: Bogle, Jasnoch, Knoerzer, David**

Nelson, Dudley Nelson, Olson, Robison, Rowe, Shepherd, Soneson, and Wells. Absent was: Boyle. None voted no and the motion was declared carried. President Shepherd announced the reason for entering Closed Session was for discussion of personnel.

C L O S E D S E S S I O N

At 9:14 AM it was moved by Director Knoerzer seconded by Director Soneson to exit Closed Session to reconvene in Regular Session. Upon voting on the motion, the following Directors voted therefore: Bogle, Jasnoch, Knoerzer, David Nelson, Dudley Nelson, Olson, Robison, Rowe, Shepherd, Soneson, and Wells. Absent was: Boyle. None voted no and the motion was declared carried. President Shepherd stated the discussion held in Closed Session was limited to the following agenda item: Hiring Committee's Recommendation for Selection of General Manager.

It was moved by Director Rowe and seconded by Director Robison to approve hiring Tim Cerveny for the General Manager position on November 2, 2026. Upon voting on the motion, the following Directors voted therefore: Bogle, Jasnoch, Knoerzer, David Nelson, Dudley Nelson, Olson, Robison, Rowe, Shepherd, Soneson, and Wells. Absent was: Boyle. The motion was declared carried.

President Shepherd thanked the committee members, directors, legal counsel, and staff for their efforts and commitment to the District during this selection process.

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

ADJOURNMENT: **It was moved by Director Jasnoch and seconded by Director Dudley Nelson to adjourn this meeting at 9:20 a.m. Upon voting on the motion, the following Directors voted therefore: Bogle, Jasnoch, Knoerzer, David Nelson, Dudley Nelson, Olson, Robison, Rowe, Shepherd, Soneson, and Wells. Absent was: Boyle. The motion was declared carried.**

MINUTES OF WORKING MEETING OF THE

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

THE CENTRAL NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER AND IRRIGATION DISTRICT

HOLDREGE, NE

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Dudley L. Nelson, Treasurer	Bryant Knoerzer	David L. Rowe
	David G. Nelson	Matt Wells

The following Director was absent: Tim Boyle

Also present were the following:

Devin M. Brundage, General Manager	Tyler Thulin, Civil Engineer
Rochelle A. Jurgens, Controller	Anton Hassebrook, Hydroelectric Ops. Super.*
Eric Hixson, Electrical Project Ops. Mgr.	McKinley Harm, Civil Engineer*
Scott Dicke, Irrigation & Water Services Mgr.	Steve Osterbuhr, Irrigation Super.
Mike A. Drain, Nat. Res. & Compliance Mgr.*	Luke Ritz, Senior Land Administrator*
Cory A. Steinke, Hydraulic Project Ops. Mgr.	Dusty Way, Irrigation Ops. Supervisor
Alex Linden, Govt & Public Relations Mgr.	Carson Messersmith, Legal Counsel
	Emily J. Anderson, Assistant Secretary

**via Zoom*

Others:

Nancy Garrelts	Reed McClymont
Cathy Arterburn (via Zoom)	

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PUBLIC INPUT: None.

CONSENT TO ASSIGNMENT SUMMARY: None.

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

Permits to Construct Approved by General Manager or Designee 9/25/2026				
Number	Name	Description	Permit & Purpose	Date Approved & Fee
1.	Bergman Land LLC	NW1/4 18-7-18, SE1/4 18-7-18	Install six pivot bridges on Phelps canal.	09/01/2026
2.	Doyle & Carol Benson	SE1/4 15-7-21	Bury an electric line in 2" conduit a minimum of 5 feet under the canal.	09/01/2026
3.	Midwest Electric Cooperative	SW1/4 12-14-39 SE1/4 11-14-39,	CONSTRUCT ELECTRICAL DISTRIBUTION LINES AND APPURTENANT FEATURES.	09/01/2026 $1,130.00
4.	Agee Partners LLC	E1/2 26-7-15	Install 24 pivot bridges across the canal. There was no original permit, and this is after the fact.	09/02/2026

Permits to Construct Approved by Land Administration Department 9/25/2026 – Johnson Lake				
Number	Name	Description	Permit & Purpose	Date Approved & Fee
5.	Berke, Mitch & Jackie	12 So Crappie Corner Dr. 3	After the Fact SWAF - Install new dock, shorestations, and jet-ski lift	08/14/2026 $200.00
6.	Gibson, Dale & Patricia	8 Kirby Point Dr. 2	SWAF - Install 4x8 dock sections	08/21/2026 No Fee Storm Damage
7.	Lee, David	16 Bass Bay Dr. 16	SWAF - Install on grade patio	08/21/2026 $50.00
8.	Densberger, Donald & Becky	17 Bass Bay Dr. 16	SWAF - Install on grade patio	08/21/2026 $50.00
9.	Dannull, Cliff & Willa	132 Lakeview Acres Dr. 14D	SWAF - Install 10'W x 9'L Double jet-ski lift	08/24/2026 $50.00
10.	Kaiser, Loran & Alejandra	1 East Shore Dr. 2	SWAF - Install 10 new dock sections	08/25/2026 No Fee Storm Damage
11.	Ristine, Ramey & Kerri	106 Lakeview Acres Dr. 14C	ECS - Bank Stabilization (RipRap) for 50.00 linear feet of the shoreline	08/25/2026
12.	Seward, Randell & Ruth	150 Lakeview Acres Dr. 14F	ECS - Bank Stabilization (RipRap) for 50.00 linear feet of the shoreline	08/25/2026
13.	Crawford, Marvin & Becky	8 So Crappie Corner Dr. 3	SWAF - Install 16 new alum. 4x8 dock sections	08/26/2026 No Fee Storm Damage
14.	Cosgrove, R Ann	8 Lane One Dr. 28	DWEL - Replace driveway with on-grade concrete driveway	08/27/2026
15.	Willmes, Sharon & Kevin	48 Lakeview Acres Dr. 14A	After the Fact SWAF - Install 10x10 shore station	08/27/2026 $200.00
16.	Mooberry, Janette	14 Park Lane Dr. 28	DWEL- Concrete driveway	08/28/2026
17.	Urborn, David & Christine	15 Bass Bay Dr. 16	SWAF - Construct 150 sq ft of concrete	08/31/2026 $50.00
18.	Rasmussen Development	53 Mallard Beach So Bay Dr. 21	SWAF - Install 10x12 Shore station	08/31/2026 $50.00
19.	Bricker, Bruce & Betty	31 Sandy Point Dr. 24A	DWEL - Construct 24' x 14' pitched roof extension	09/03/2026

20.	Stoddard, Kathleen & David	121 Mallard Beach Dr. 22	DWEL - Place rock in roadway	09/04/2026
21.	Ristine, Ramey & Kerri	106 Lakeview Acres Dr. 14C	ECS - Construct retaining wall	09/08/2026
22.	Ristine, Ramey & Kerri	106 Lakeview Acres Dr. 14C	SWAF- Install 6'W access	09/08/2026 $50.00
23.	V & C Warren Family Cabin LLC	36 East Shore Dr. 1	After the Fact SWAF - Install 12 New alum. 4x8 dock sections	09/08/2026 $200.00
24.	FGJ Enterprises Inc	20 Bullhead	ECS - Bank Stabilization (RipRap) for 150.00 linear feet of the shoreline	09/09/2026
25.	Dillard, Bradley & Avis	1 Sandy Point Dr. 24	SWAF - Install 12 x 14 boat lift	08/24/2026 $50.00

Permits to Construct
Approved by Land Administration Department
9/25/2026 – Jeffrey Lake

Number	Name	Description	Permit & Purpose	Date Approved & Fee
26.	Brady Bunch Lake Ventures LLC	69 S Lakeview Rd	DWEL - Install propane powered Cummins generator	08/20/2026

Permits to Construct
Approved by Land Administration Department
9/25/2026 – Lake McConaughy

Number	Name	Description	Permit & Purpose	Date Approved & Fee
27.	Welsh, Robert & Roxane	67 K-1 Rd	ECS - Bank Stabilization (RipRap) for 120.00 linear feet of the shoreline	09/14/2026

Permits to Construct
Approved by Land Administration Department
9/25/2026 – Midway Lake

Number	Name	Description	Permit & Purpose	Date Approved & Fee
28.	Gratopp, Steven & Lynda	62 Cedar Point	SWAF - Install 4/W x 20'L Dock, 12'W x 22'L Shorestation	09/09/2026 $50.00
29.	Gratopp, Steven & Lynda	62 Cedar Point	DWEL - Construct 20'x16' elevated deck	09/09/2026
30.	Gratopp & Steven & Lynda	62 Cedar Point	ECS - Bank stabilization (RipRap) for 100.00 linear feet of the shoreline	09/09/2026

WATER SERVICE AGREEMENTS: None.

WORK ORDER/PURCHASE REQUISITION SUMMARY: None.

WATER RATE FOR COOLING OR OTHER POWER PURPOSES: Cory Steinke explained the water service rate for cooling or other power purposes is to be reviewed annually pursuant to the policy established by the Board on October 4, 2021. Pursuant to #4 of the policy, management is authorized to provide the service at its discretion, subject to Lake McConaughy being at or above 700,000-acre feet. With Lake McConaughy levels below 400,000-acre feet, any additional releases would need to be authorized by the Board of Directors.

E-65 SIPHON PROJECT: Scott Dicke continues working with the CMAR contractor and engineering firm to develop a dewatering plan. Various pipe manufacturers have been asked to validate their manufacturing and installation methods for steel vs. HDPE pipes.

RETIREMENT PLAN AMENDMENTS: Rochelle Jurgens reported on the Secure Act 2.0 which significantly expands retirement savings opportunities by raising Required Minimum Distribution (RMD) ages, increases catch-up limits, enables student-loan matching, and promotes automatic enrollment. The Secure Act 2.0 is a comprehensive retirement reform that will require amendments to the District's current retirement plan documents. She will present any necessary retirement plan amendments at an upcoming meeting.

KINGSLEY DAM REFACING PROJECT: Mike Drain reported RJH is working to complete several studies by the end of 2026. Devin Brundage commented on continued efforts 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: Alex Linden will provide a tour of the project to State Senators on October 2, 2026. Nebraska's Attorney General will speak at the NSIA/NWRA Joint Convention in Kearney in November to provide an update on the progress of the Supreme Court case. Devin Brundage noted that briefs and responses are due to the Supreme Court in the Nebraska v. Colorado case by September 28, 2026. Kurth Brashear of Rembolt Ludtke is providing legal counsel to the District on this matter.

A break for lunch was taken at 10:09 a.m. The meeting resumed at 10:18 a.m.

REAL ESTATE SALE (41346 ROAD 757, COZAD, NE): **At 10:19 AM it was moved by Director Knoerzer and seconded by Director Soneson to enter Closed Session. Upon voting on the motion, the following Directors voted therefore: Bogle, Jasnoch, Knoerzer, David Nelson, Dudley Nelson, Olson, Robison, Rowe, Shepherd, Soneson, and Wells. Absent was: Boyle. None voted no and the motion was declared carried. President Shepherd announced the reason for entering Closed Session was for discussion contract and real estate negotiations.**

C L O S E D S E S S I O N

At 10:30 AM it was moved by Director Soneson seconded by Director Knoerzer to exit Closed Session to reconvene in Regular Session. Upon voting on the motion, the following Directors voted therefore: Bogle, Jasnoch, Knoerzer, David Nelson, Dudley Nelson, Olson, Robison, Rowe, Shepherd, Soneson, and Wells. Absent was: Boyle. None voted no and the motion was declared carried. President Shepherd stated the discussion held in Closed Session was limited to the following agenda item: Real Estate Sale of 41346 Road 757, Cozad, NE.

RETIREE MEDICARE SUPPLEMENT RENEWAL: Rochelle Jurgens presented the premium quote from The Hartford for the retirees' Medicare Supplement renewal, reflecting a 16.3% increase from $275.00 to $320.26 for 2027. She will recommend approving the premium increase in addition to an annual 3.0% CPI increase to the retiree HRA funds starting in 2027.

2027 BUDGET: Rochelle Jurgens reported on her work with the management team to begin preparing the 2027 budget. She intends to present a preliminary budget at the October 5, 2026 Regular Business Meeting.

LEGISLATION: Alex Linden attended the Nebraska Chamber's Ag Tech & Beyond conference in Fremont on September 24, 2026 where Governor Pillen announced a pause on the diesel fuel tax for farmers. He expects several senators to seek the Speaker of the House position. Brundage met with Dean Edson, Executive Director of the Nebraska Association of Resource Districts, to review the water and energy study commissioned by Governor Pillen.

BOARD REPORTS AND COMMENTS: Director David Nelson presented photos of the Nebraska Prairie Museum's new exhibit, Project: Prairie Power. Director Jasnoch spoke with cabin owners in the K-1 area about their request that the District assist them with road maintenance. He is also organizing an informational meeting for Lake McConaughy stakeholders regarding water levels and conservation efforts, but he may need to change the venue due to the large volume of responses to invitations.

LEGAL UPDATE (ALOI LITIGATION): Carson Messersmith reported the District's injunction filing in the Aloi case is under judicial review. Charles Brewster and he have been working on contracts, bridge agreements, and real estate matters.

MANAGEMENT REPORTS: The following reports were provided:

a. Tyler Thulin reported Lake McConaughy is at elevation 3,201.5, 395,000-acre feet and 22.5% capacity. The inflows to Lake McConaughy are approximately 420 cfs and there are no outflows. NPPD is in a maintenance outage from September 21, 2026 until approximately November 9, 2026.

b. Cory Steinke had several good meetings and conversations with Lincoln County Commissioners about various Supply Canal roads and bridges. He will attend the Lincoln County Commissioners' next meeting and present them with a draft interlocal agreement for consideration. He is also in conversations with the Glendo Canal Companies about conservation efforts for the 2027 irrigation season.

c. Luke Ritz has been negotiating with a landowner about the potential purchase of property north of the Diversion Dam.

d. Scott Dicke stated the irrigation department has been busy entering irrigation use data to create irrigation invoices, conducting inspections, and maintaining pipelines.

e. Rochelle Jurgens and the accounting department are finalizing the irrigation invoices so they may be mailed out to customers next week. She has been occupied with retiree Medicare renewals, NRECA health insurance renewals for employees, and cash management tasks.

f. Eric Hixson reported on a successful capacity test at the J1 hydro this week which will increase revenues. He introduced Aaron Boyd as the District's new System Administrator.

g. Alex Linden provided a presentation to the Leadership Nebraska group last week at Lake McConaughy. He gave a tour of the District to new employees this week. He will attend the NARD conference and the Governor's Summit next week in Kearney.

h. Devin Brundage reported the Nebraska Power Association (NPA) is seeking a full-time executive director. He provided a presentation to the directors titled Regulatory Compliance and Lake McConaughy Water which touched on water policy, FERC regulations, minimum diversions, the Environmental Account, and PRRIP goals.

PERSONNEL: None.

OUT OF STATE TRAVEL: The following was presented:

Name	Meeting	Location	Date
Jim Brown	Cultural Resources Training	Des Moines, IA	October 27-30, 2026
Devin Brundage	Family Farm Alliance	Reno, NV	October 28-30, 2026
Devin Brundage	NWRA	San Diego, CA	November 3-5, 2026

WORKSHOPS, SEMINARS AND CONFERENCES:

a. NRD's 2026 Annual Conference – September 27-29, 2026 in Kearney, NE
b. 2026 Nebraska Governor's Summit – September 28-29, 2026 in Kearney, NE
c. 2026 Nebraska Water Conference – October 15-16, 2026 in Lincoln, NE
d. Nebraska Wind & Solar Conference & Exhibition – October 20-21, 2026 in Lincoln, NE
e. NWRA/NSIA Joint Convention 2026 – November 22-24, 2026 in Kearney, NE

BOARD SUB-COMMITTEE MEETINGS AND OTHER IMPORTANT UPCOMING EVENTS: None at this time.

The meeting adjourned at 11:31 a.m.

MINUTES OF REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING OF THE

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Brent Soneson, Vice President	Tom Jasnoch*	Gary Robison
Tim Boyle, Secretary	Bryant Knoerzer	David L. Rowe
Dudley L. Nelson, Treasurer	David G. Nelson	Matt Wells

**via Zoom*

Also present were the following:

Devin M. Brundage, General Manager	Luke Ritz, Senior Land Administrator*
Rochelle A. Jurgens, Controller & Finance Mgr.	Charles Brewster, Legal Counsel
Scott Dicke, Irrigation Division Manager	Emily J. Anderson, Assistant Secretary
Alex Linden, Gov't & Public Relations Manager	

**via Zoom*

Others present were:

Carson Messersmith	Nolan Little, Tri-Basin NRD
Tim Cerveny	Nancy Garrelts
Cathy Arterburn (via Zoom)	

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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. Board President Shepherd announced the meeting was open for business and proceeded with roll call.

PUBLIC INPUT: President Shepherd introduced Tim Cerveny who has been hired as the District's general manager and will begin working for the District on November 2, 2026. Tim Cerveny thanked the directors for the opportunity to serve as the general manager upon Devin Brundage's retirement. Nolan Little reported on an initiative announced by Governor Pillen recently that will streamline water use permits and provide money to irrigators to assist with the cost of installing meters. He also noted that Tri-Basin will begin taking their annual static water measurements today.

CONSENT AGENDA: Devin Brundage provided an overview of the items on the Consent Agenda which were presented and discussed during the September 25, 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. Shepherd suggested removing the item "Approval of Minutes of Special Meeting of the Board of Directors held September 25, 2026" to confirm the Directors' intent in the motion about the hiring of Tim Cerveny.

The following Consent Agenda was presented for approval:

- **Approval of Minutes of Regular Business Meeting of the Board of Directors held September 8, 2026**
- **Approval of Minutes of Working Meeting of the Board of Directors held September 25, 2026**
- **Approval of the October Disbursements:**

Hydro Division:	
Check # 78392-VOID; Check #s 78385 through 78537 & 8902199 through 8902227 (Accounts Payable)	$1,753,994.74
Payroll	$626,936.85
Kingsley Division:	
Check #s 3887 through 3893 (Accounts Payable)	$166,933.54
Glendo Division:	
NONE	$NONE

- **Approval of 2027 Retiree Medicare Supplement Renewal Rate Premium of $320.26**
- **Approval of an Annual 3.0% CPI Increase to the Retiree HRA Funds**

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS HELD SEPTEMBER 25, 2026: President Shepherd clarified that Tim Cerveny will begin working at the District on November 2, 2026, but he will not assume the duties of the General Manager until January 7, 2027.

It was moved by Director Soneson and seconded by Director Rowe to approve the Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Board of Directors held on September 25, 2026 as presented. Upon voting on the motion, the following Directors voted therefore: Bogle, Boyle, Jasnoch, Knoerzer, David Nelson, Dudley Nelson, Olson, Robison, Rowe, Shepherd, Soneson, and Wells. The motion was declared carried.

2026 BUDGET AMENDMENT: Devin Brundage presented Revision #12 to the 2026 Budget as follows:

	Current Budget	Proposed Budget	Difference
HYDRO ELECTRIC DIVISION			
KWH Meters – Jeffrey, J1, J2	$0	$80,000	$80,000
		Net Change	**$80,000**

It was moved by Director Bogle and seconded by Director Soneson to approve Revision #12 to the 2026 Budget in the Net Change of $80,000.00 as presented. Upon voting on the

motion, the following Directors voted therefore: Bogle, Boyle, Jasnoch, Knoerzer, David Nelson, Dudley Nelson, Olson, Robison, Rowe, Shepherd, Soneson, and Wells. The motion was declared carried.

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

a. Work Order No. 107546 – KWH Meters for Jeffrey, J1 & J2 ($78,326.00)
b. Purchase Requisition No. 46226 – Electro Industries for KWH Meters for Hydros ($58,811.20)

It was moved by Director Bogle and seconded by Director Knoerzer to approve the Work Order/Purchase Requisition Summary as presented. Upon voting on the motion, the following Directors voted therefore: Bogle, Boyle, Jasnoch, Knoerzer, David Nelson, Dudley Nelson, Olson, Robison, Rowe, Shepherd, Soneson, and Wells. The motion was declared carried.

REAL ESTATE PURCHASE (41346 ROAD 757, COZAD, NE): There was nothing new to report.

LEGISLATION: Alex Linden reported on the introduction of the Bipartisan American Affordability and Jobs Act of 2026 to reform the federal environmental review and permitting processes.

WORKSHOPS, SEMINARS AND CONFERENCES:

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

PERSONNEL: President Shepherd reiterated that Tim Cerveny will begin working at the District on November 2, 2026 and he will be officially recognized as the general manager at the January 7, 2027 Regular Business Meeting.

DIRECTORS' ATTENDANCE: All Directors were present.

BOARD MEMBER REPORTS & COMMENTS: President Shepherd golfed in a tournament with two District managers last week. He received a compliment from a Paxton farmer for the District's coordination with NPPD to allow them to conduct inspections and perform necessary maintenance along the Sutherland Canal.

LEGAL UPDATE: Charles Brewster provided an update on the Nebraska vs. Colorado Supreme Court case and the Aloi/Diversion Dam suit.

MANAGEMENT REPORTS: The following were presented:

a. Luke Ritz discussed the work to extend several lots at Johnson Lake, ongoing negotiations with an adjacent landowner about the Ide property, and the need for a Land and Recreation Committee Meeting in November.

b. Scott Dicke reported that the irrigation staff has been monitoring aquatic growth in the canals that occurred after recent rain events. He shared video of a drone that was used to spray the dam at Elwood Reservoir.

c. Rochelle Jurgens will have a preliminary draft of the 2027 budget to present at the October 23, 2026 Working Meeting of the Board. The water bills were sent out to irrigators and totaled just over $5 million for the 2026 season.

d. Alex Linden attended the NRD's Annual Conference and the Governor's Summit in Kearney last week. He is providing a tour of Jeffrey Hydro to a group from Lincoln Electric Systems this week and he will participate in a career fair in Holdrege next week. An open house will be held on October 19, 2026 from 4-7pm (MDT) at the NACO West Training Center located

at 102 Diamond Springs Trail, Ogallala, NE to discuss Lake McConaughy's water supply and the District's conservation efforts.

e. Devin Brundage stated meetings with the participating agencies continue regarding the Perkins County Canal Project.

BOARD SUB-COMMITTEE MEETINGS AND OTHER IMPORTANT UPCOMING EVENTS: None at this time.

ADJOURNMENT: **It was moved by Director Soneson and seconded by Director Dudley Nelson to adjourn this meeting at 9:39 a.m. Upon voting on the motion, the following Directors voted therefore: Bogle, Boyle, Jasnoch, Knoerzer, David Nelson, Dudley Nelson, Olson, Robison, Rowe, Shepherd, Soneson, and Wells. The motion was declared carried.**

THE CENTRAL NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER
ATTEST: AND IRRIGATION DISTRICT

_____ By _____
Tim Boyle, Secretary Kyle Shepherd, President