

MINUTES OF REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
THE CENTRAL NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER AND IRRIGATION DISTRICT
DISTRICT HEADQUARTERS, HOLDREGE, NE
JANUARY 2, 2018 – 9:00 A.M.

This meeting was publicly advertised in accordance with Section 84-1411 of the Nebraska Statutes by notices on KRVN (Lexington) and KUVR (Holdrege) radio stations on December 26, 2017, and by legal publication in the Holdrege Daily Citizen, Kearney Hub, and North Platte Telegraph on December 26, 2017, and the Lexington Clipper-Herald on December 27, 2017, 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.

Individual cards giving the time, date, and place of this meeting were mailed to the Directors on December 12, 2017.

The following Directors were present:

Dudley L. Nelson, President	Geoffrey K. Bogle	K. Scott Olson
David L. Rowe, Vice President	Ronald E. Fowler	Roger D. Olson
Martin E. Mueller, Secretary	David G. Nelson	Robert L. Petersen
		Gordon N. Soneson

The following Directors were absent: Robert B. Dahlgren and William E. Knoerzer

Also present were:

Don D. Kraus, General Manager	Dave R. Ford, Irrigation Division Mgr.
Rochelle A. Jurgens, Controller	Devin M. Brundage, Gothenburg Div. Mgr.
Eric R. Hixson, Engineering Services Mgr.	Jeff J. Buettner, Public Relations Mgr.
Cory A. Steinke, Civil Engineer	Michael C. Klein, Legal Counsel
Michael A. Drain, Natural Resources Mgr.	Emily J. Anderson, Assistant Secretary

Others present were:

John Thorburn, Tri-Basin NRD	Lori Potter, Kearney Hub
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The Board President announced that information for the public concerning the Open Meetings Act was available for interested parties to view.

At 9:00 AM, the Board President, Dudley L. Nelson, announced that the meeting was open for business and proceeded with roll call.

PUBLIC INPUT: John Thorburn mentioned the upcoming South Central Water Conference scheduled for January 30, 2018. He stated the conference formerly known as the Holdrege Water Conference, is now referred to as the South Central Water Conference since the Lower Republican NRD is participating.

CONSENT AGENDA: President Nelson asked the Directors if there were items they wished to be removed from the following consent agenda, to be discussed and voted on individually.

- **Approval of Minutes of Regular Business Meeting of the Board of Directors held December 4, 2017**

➤ **Approval of Minutes of Committee Meeting of the Board of Directors held December 21, 2017**

➤ **Approval of the January Disbursements:**

<i>Hydro Division:</i>	\$890,828.50
Check #s 55575 and 55576-VOID; Check #s 55961 through 56178 and 8899526 through 8899546 (Accounts Payable)	\$357,574.86
Check #s 9914262 through 9914365 and 9962 through 9990 (Payroll)	
<i>Kingsley Division:</i>	\$46,329.32
Check #s 2983 through 2986 (Accounts Payable)	
<i>J-2 Regulating Reservoir Construction Fund:</i>	NONE
Check # NONE (Accounts Payable)	
<i>Glendo Division:</i>	NONE
Check # NONE	
<i>Flex Spending Account:</i>	\$1,630.40
Check # 8106 through 8109	

➤ **Approval of Amendment No. 1 to the Water Leasing Agreement between the Nebraska Community Foundation, Platte River Recovery Implementation Program and The Central Nebraska Public Power and Irrigation District**

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

2018 WATER LEASING PROGRAM ACRES: Dave Ford presented a summary of the 2018 water leasing program, totaling 2,055 acres from 112 accounts.

It was moved by Director R. Olson and seconded by Director Soneson to approve 2,055 acres from the accounts presented for the 2018 Water Leasing Program. Upon voting on the motion, the following Directors voted therefore: Bogle, Fowler, Mueller, David Nelson, Dudley Nelson, R. Olson, S. Olson, Petersen, Rowe, and Soneson. Absent: Dahlgren and Knoerzer. None voted no and the motion was declared carried.

REAL ESTATE NEGOTIATIONS (REED): This was discussed in Closed Session.

UEHRAN V. CNPPID: Mike Drain had nothing new to report on this item.

PERSONNEL: This was discussed in Closed Session.

LEGISLATION: Jeff Buettner had nothing new to report.

WORKSHOPS, SEMINARS AND CONFERENCES: Don Kraus mentioned the NSIA legislative reception on January 24, 2018.

DIRECTORS' ATTENDANCE: It was moved by Director Bogle and seconded by Director Rowe to excuse the absences of Robert B. Dahlgren and William E. Knoerzer from the meeting. Upon voting on the motion, the following Directors voted therefore: Bogle, Fowler, Mueller, David Nelson, Dudley Nelson, R. Olson, S. Olson, Petersen, Rowe, and Soneson. Absent: Dahlgren and Knoerzer. None voted no and the motion was declared carried.

BOARD COMMENTS: Director R. Olson mentioned the video done by Snitily Carr a few years ago and wondered how often it is used. Devin Brundage stated he uses the video every time there is a tour of the control center and Jeff Buettner commented it is available to view on Central's website. Director Soneson asked for an update on the exchange of land with Southern Power

District. Don Kraus commented he will revisit this by calling Southern Power District.

OPERATIONS REPORT: The following operations reports were presented:

- a. Cory Steinke reported Lake McConaughy is at elevation 3,253.9, 1.4 million acre feet, 82% capacity. Inflows to Lake McConaughy are at 500 cfs, with equal releases. Snowpack in the upper basin is 80% of average, 70% in the lower basin, and 86% in the South Platte. The Platte Program requested an increase in the total amount diverted to Elwood Reservoir from 8,000 ac ft to 12,000 ac ft. He will prepare an amendment to the agreement for ratification at a special meeting on January 26, 2018.
- b. Devin Brundage reported that Central crews are working to keep check gates along the Supply Canal free of ice. He also reported on a siphonic spillway which discharged water back to the Platte River through road ditches and natural drains without causing significant issues. The occurrence was due to a computer failure on the supply canal.
- c. Dave Ford stated recharge on the E-65 Canal was temporarily shut down due to the cold temperatures. He expects a gradual warm up later this week and pumping will resume on the E-65 Canal and Elwood Reservoir. The Phelps Canal recharge has continued through the cold temperatures since the gates were already set and there is no need to move them.
- d. Mike Klein reported that Judge Doyle ruled in favor of Central in the Maloley litigation matter. Maloley's legal counsel filed a Motion for New Trial which will be heard before Judge Doyle on February 1, 2018 at 10:00 a.m. in the Dawson County District Court.

At 9:23 AM it was moved by Director Soneson and seconded by Director R. Olson that the Board enter into Closed Session. Upon voting on the motion, the following Directors voted therefore: Bogle, Fowler, Mueller, David Nelson, Dudley Nelson, R. Olson, S. Olson, Petersen, Rowe, and Soneson. Absent: Dahlgren and Knoerzer. None voted no and the motion was declared carried. Board President Nelson stated the items to be discussed in closed session were the following agenda items: Land Negotiations – Reed; and Personnel. The items are being discussed in closed session to protect the public interest and to discuss real estate, contract negotiations and personnel.

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

At 9:35 AM it was moved by Director Mueller and seconded by Director S. Olson, that the Board exit Closed Session and reconvene in Regular Session. Upon voting on the motion, the following Directors voted therefore: Bogle, Fowler, Mueller, David Nelson, Dudley Nelson, R. Olson, S. Olson, Petersen, Rowe, and Soneson. Absent: Dahlgren and Knoerzer. None voted no and the motion was declared carried. Board President Nelson stated the items discussed in closed session were the following agenda items: Land Negotiations – Reed; and Personnel. The items were discussed in closed session to protect the public interest and to discuss real estate, contract contract negotiations and personnel.

The meeting adjourned at 9:35 AM.

ATTEST:

THE CENTRAL NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER
AND IRRIGATION DISTRICT

Martin E. Mueller, Secretary

By _____
Dudley L. Nelson, President