

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  
SEPTEMBER 27, 2019 – 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 23, 2019, and through legal publication in the Kearney Hub and Holdrege Daily Citizen on September 23, 2019, and the North Platte Telegraph and Lexington Clipper-Herald on September 21, 2019, 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 giving the time, date, and place of this meeting was mailed to the Directors on September 18, 2019.

The following Directors were present:

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

The following Director was absent: David G. Nelson

Also present were the following:

Devin M. Brundage, General Manager	Jeff J. Buettner, Govt & Public Relations Mgr.
Rochelle Jurgens, Controller & Finance Manager	Holly G. Rahmann, Public Relations Asst.
Eric R. Hixson, Electrical Project Operations Mgr.	Duane Cernousek, Purchasing Agent
Mike A. Drain, Nat. Resources & Compliance Mgr.	Tyler A. Thulin, Civil Engineer
David R. Ford, Irrigation Operations Mgr.	Charles Brewster, Legal Counsel
Cory A. Steinke, Hydraulic Project Ops. Mgr.	Emily Anderson, Assistant Secretary

Also present were the following:

Curtis Scheele, NRCS	Bruce Remington, Wells Fargo
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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 9:02 a.m. Board President Rowe announced that the meeting was open for business and proceeded with roll call.

PUBLIC INPUT: Curtis Scheele reported the NRCS's fiscal year ends on September 30, 2019. He anticipates modifications to the EQIP and CSP program rules under the new farm bill, along with a computer software change.

CONSENT TO ASSIGNMENT SUMMARY: Five consents at Johnson Lake and one at Lake McConaughy were approved during the month of September, 2019.

PERMIT TO CONSTRUCT SUMMARY: The following permits were approved during the month of September, 2019:

Permits to Construct Approved by General Manager October 7, 2019			
<u>Name</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Purpose</u>
R K Galaxy Farms, Inc.	SE1/4 of Section 17-6-19	\$0.00	Bury an electrical wire for pump. Wire will be buried a minimum of 2' below Central's existing 30" PVC pipe at E65-36.2N-1.5 and then trenched along the south edge of the filed going east to the pump site.
Great Plains Communication	SW1/4 of Section 20-6-19 NE1/4 of Section 32-6-19	\$512.00	Install communication lines across District property. Each conduit shall be directionally bored to provide at least 5' of vertical clearance from the bottom of the respective irrigation canal or buried delivery pipe. -1 <sup>st</sup> crossing will be on the east side of mp 36.1 under E65 Main Canal. -2 <sup>nd</sup> crossing will be on the south side of 733 Rd. at 36.2S-1.7.

Permits to Construct Approved by Land Administration Department October 7, 2019 – Johnson Lake			
<u>Name</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Permit &amp; Purpose</u>	<u>Date Approved &amp; Fee</u>
Bass Bay Association	Area behind 46 Bass Bay Dr. 16	VEG Permit – Remove 6 dead trees from open space behind 46 Bass Bay	08/21/19
Ronald Duane Pickel	64 Mallard Beach So. Bay Dr. 21	Amended DWEL Permit – Amended to include installation of post/rope landscape edging.	08/16/2019
James and Sharon Liljehorn	1 Park Lane Dr. 28	DWEL Permit – Construct a 14'x6'4" walkway using patio pavers.	08/21/2019
Joseph and Michelle Cannella	16 Crappie Corner Dr. 5	DWEL Permit – Construct a 4'x4' fire pit using concrete blocks up to a height of 24".	08/22/2019
Daniel Freese	4 West Lane Dr. 28	DWEL Permit – Replace patio on west side of house with a 12'x15' concrete patio near the NW corner of the house.	08/30/2019
Brian and Heidi Bazata	22 Northeast Cove Dr. 9	DWEL Permit – Construct 2 story addition to existing house. Addition, including a 2 car garage, will be 45'x36'8" and 23' tall.	08/29/2019
Stephen and Karen Williams	18 Bass Bay Dr. 16	DEF Permit – Excavate existing dirt mounds and dirt in the yard in areas affected by fungus. Fill in areas with clean black dirt and sod.	09/05/2019 \$50.00
John and Jane Kirby	9 North Point Dr. 13	DWEL Permit – Construct a patio roof over existing patio. Patio cover will be 28'x10.5' with a gable roof and 16" overhangs.	09/04/2019
Colleen Connely	86 Mallard Beach	Amended DWEL Permit – Amended to include installation of buried propane tank.	06/07/2019
Daniel and Cynthia Finnegan	29 North Shore Dr. 8	VEG Permit – Plant a tree on the lake side of the cabin in approximately the same spot where one was removed last spring.	09/03/2019
Darin Brown	84 & 164 Lakeview Acres Dr. 14B	SWAF Permit – Install a common use access to the shoreline between lots 84 & 164.	09/03/2019 \$100.00
Randy and Blakeley Stieben	23 Lakeview Acres Dr. 14A	ECS Permit – Construct 3 3' tall x 25' long retaining walls. 2 side walls that step down with the grade of the side access to the	08/29/2019

		shoreline. Add 2 4'x4' stair cases for access to shoreline. A 6' wide side access and a 6' wide shoreline access must be maintained for future access to the shoreline.	
Steven Colter	22 Lakeview Acres Dr. 14A	SWAF Permit – Install a 6'x18' access to the shoreline.	08/22/2019 \$50.00
Karl and Anita Hueftle	143 Lakeview Acres Dr. 14E	ECS Permit – Protect the shoreline between the side boundaries of the lot by placing riprap along and up to 50± feet of shoreline.	09/29/2019
Sandra Broman	6 Lane Two Dr. 28	DWEL Permit – Relocate propane tank that is currently only partially inside the lot boundary to be fully inside the lot boundary.	09/09/2019
Kenneth and Rebecca Rye	36 Bass Bay Dr. 16	DWEL Permit – Pour 2" asphalt overlay on existing asphalt driveway/parking. Area is approximately 18'x37' extending from the Bass Bay Drive asphalt.	09/17/2019
Crappie Corner Area Association	Lots 1A-25 Dr. 5	VEG Permit - Lots #4-25 Trim trees and remove dead material to facilitate paving and drainage projects.	09/17/2019
Neal & Susan Hoff	108 Mallard Beach Dr. 22	DWEL Permit – Construct a new home. The approximate dimensions of the home, including basement and attached garage are 81'Lx34'Wx22'H with a 12'Lx34'W covered patio in the front of the cabin and 29'Lx4'W elevated walkway from the patio along the southerly side of the house with steps to grade at both the east and west ends.	09/23/2019

Permits to Construct Approved by Land Administration Department October 7, 2019 – Lake McConaughy			
<u>Name</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Permit &amp; Purpose</u>	<u>Date Approved &amp; Fee</u>
Chad and Carin Richardson	5 K-1 Rd.	Amended DWEL Permit – Amended to include construction of concrete walkway and step from existing sidewalk to covered entry.	08/22/2019
Robert and Roxane Welsh	67 K-1 Rd.	DWEL Permit – Construct steps and a walkway on the east side of the house. Steps will be made of concrete pavers/blocks and will connect to a crushed rock walkway up to 40" wide x 13' long.	08/22/2019
Gary and Jil Telitz	75 K-1 Rd	DWEL Permit – Install a water service line to connect a water service line and shut off to a water line coming from an existing domestic water well on Lot 75. Tenants at 75 K-1 and 73 K-1 are entering into an agreement for a shared domestic well.	08/26/2019
Tony and Janice Beckler	73 K-1 Rd	DWEL Permit – Install a water service line to connect a water service line and shut off to a water line coming from an existing domestic water well on Lot 75. Tenants at 75 K-1 and 73 K-1 are entering into an agreement for a shared domestic well.	08/26/2019
Nathaniel and Karen Ledgerwood	60 K-1 Rd	After the Fact DWEL Permit – Removed and constructed a new 2 rail split rail fence in the same location along and near the K-1 Rd.	09/04/2019 \$100.00
Rochelle Forney	8 K-3 Rd.	DWEL Permit – Construct a concrete sidewalk.	09/04/2019
Darryl and Sally Einspahr	4 K-4 Rd.	After the Fact DWEL Permit – Removed and replaced a wooden walkway from the structure along an existing driveway to road.	09/04/2019 \$100.00

Michael and Jennifer Brooks	54 K-1 Rd	After the Fact DWEL Permit – Install 12"x12" pavers for a patio area under an existing elevated deck and adjacent to an existing entry concrete slab.	09/10/2019 \$100.00
Richard and Gaye Key	59 K-1 Rd	DWEL Permit – Construct an addition to existing deck. An additional 11'x11' wooden deck extension will be added to the NE corner of the existing deck with the existing railing being relocated to surround the new deck.	09/09/2019

Permits to Construct Approved by Land Administration Department October 7, 2019 – Jeffrey Lake			
<u>Name</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Permit &amp; Purpose</u>	<u>Date Approved &amp; Fee</u>
Oscar Blaine Peterson	60 S Lakeview Rd.	DWEL Permit – Replace rotting wood/timber supports under existing structure. Replacement support shall be constructed using 6" EFS Block foundation placed on 8"x16" reinforced concrete footing 24" below grade on top of packed limestone base. A concrete pad was removed to access the structure foundation and a 6'x24'x4" concrete pad will be poured in the same location south of the existing structure.	08/29/2019
Jay and Sonia Richeson	76 Pelican Dr.	ECS Permit – Construct a below grade vinyl erosion control wall behind existing seawall approximately 8' long.	08/26/2019
Joseph and Angela Richeson	75 Pelican Dr.	ECS Permit – Construct a below grade vinyl erosion control wall behind existing seawall approximately 100' long.	08/26/2019

**WORK ORDER/PURCHASE REQUISITION SUMMARY:**

- a. Purchase Requisition No. HA6277 – Diamond Plastics for PVC Pipe (\$64,269.43)
- b. Work Order No. 186565 – Replace open lateral at A18.7-2.2-8.3-0.6 to 1.3 (\$36,800.00)
- c. Work Order No. 186260 – Close open lateral at A18.7-2.2-8.3-0.6 to 1.3 (\$3,700.00)
- d. Work Order No. 107403 – Beehive GIS (\$27,071.00)

Dave Ford discussed Purchase Requisition No. HA6277 and Work Order Nos. 186565 and 186260 relating to the closing of an open lateral and the installation of a pipeline. Mike Klaus stated Work Order No. 107403 is for new GIS equipment.

**PROGRESS ESTIMATE NO. 1, CONTRACT NO. 0-693, ALLEN BLASTING & COATING, INC. FOR PREPARATION AND PAINTING OF THE J-2 PENSTOCK AND SURGE TANK (\$103,465.98):** Eric Hixson presented photos showing the progress of the painting project. Staff recommends making payment to the contractor.

**CONTRACT CHANGE ORDER NO. 1, CONTRACT NO. HA6265 WITH KIDWELL FOR VIDEO SURVEILLANCE SYSTEM (\$2,084.36):** Eric Hixson reported that following the recent FERC inspections of the District's infrastructure, the inspector identified two areas where additional security cameras would be beneficial. This contract change order is for work associated with installing the additional cameras.

**NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, HIGHWAY 21 IMPROVEMENT PROJECT:** Cory Steinke presented the following easements which are necessary to replace a culvert in the E1/2 NE1/4 of Section 36, Township 10 North, Range 24 West in Dawson County.

- a. Temporary Easement – Acquisition Contract for Tract No. 1 L1 (Billy and Joanna Griffith)
- b. Temporary Easement – Acquisition Contract for Tract No. 2 L2 (Griffith Brothers Farm, LLC)

POWER AND RECREATION COMMITTEE (9/26/19): Mike Drain reported on the items discussed at the September 26, 2019 meeting in Gothenburg. The following items are those which the Committee took action on:

- a. Application for Variance – 50 K-1, Lake McConaughy: The Committee recommended Board approval of the variance request to allow the tenant of 50 K-1, Lake McConaughy to retain the after-the-fact constructed retaining wall, providing a safety railing is installed in accordance with county building requirements and/or industry safety standards.

The Committee recommended Board denial of the variance request by the tenant of 50 K-1, Lake McConaughy for the after-the-fact drainage system but to defer the required removal of the drainage system on areas outside of the lot's boundaries for a maximum of 12 months or until such time as the replat work of the K-1 Area is completed, whichever is sooner.

- b. Application for Variance – 33 Mallard Beach, Johnson Lake: The Committee recommended Board approval of the variance request by the tenant of 33 Mallard Beach, Johnson Lake for the reconstruction of the garage approximately 16' into the 10% depth of lot setback, approximately 25' from the edge of the roadway, pending written approval by the adjacent neighbors.
- c. Application for Variance – 32 Perch Bay, Johnson Lake: The Committee recommended Board denial of the four items requested in the variance application.
- d. Shoreline Setback Amendment – Mallard Beach Section 5 & Part of 6 (66-122), Johnson Lake: The Committee recommended Board approval of an amendment to Appendix A of the District's Permitting Procedures to allow for a 30' shoreline setback in the Mallard Beach Sections 5 and Part of 6 (66-122), Johnson Lake.
- e. Use of Lake Improvement Funds by Lakeside Golf Club: Although the Committee did not vote on this issue, Devin Brundage stated he met recently with board members from the Lakeside Golf Club at Johnson Lake to discuss the use of Lake Improvement Funds to assist with the costs associated to hook up to the Sanitary Improvement District (SID). Brundage will recommend the Board approve a \$20,000.00 contribution to the Lakeside Golf Club using Lake Improvement Funds to help pay for a portion of the estimated \$35,000.00 cost to connect the club house to the SID.

ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE MEETING (9/27/19): Ron Fowler stated the union will meet again next week to hold a vote on the items being negotiated and management believes an agreement will be reached very soon.

MEAD & HUNT CONTRACT AMENDMENT NO. 10 FOR KINGSLEY DAM PMF STUDY: Mike Drain presented the contract amendment in the amount of \$16,000 for work associated with the follow-up of the April 4, 2019 meeting with FERC, including drafting an approach to address FERC's concerns about the Inflow Design Flood, and an upcoming telephone conference with FERC.

2019 BUDGET REVISION: Rochelle Jurgens presented Hydro Division Budget Revision #7, representing a transfer of funds from the maintenance budget to the capital budget, resulting in a net change of \$0 as follows:

	<u>Current Budget</u>	<u>Proposed Budget</u>	<u>Difference</u>
<u>Phelps</u>			
Pipeline A18.7-2.2-8.3-0.6 to 1.3	\$0	\$36,800	\$36,800
Phelps Earthwork 2-38-54300-506	\$402,500	\$365,700	(\$36,800)
		Net Change	\$0

2020 BUDGET: Rochelle Jurgens presented a preliminary overview of the 2020 budget and will present a more detailed version at the October 25, 2019 Committee Meeting.

WELLS FARGO – SEMI-ANNUAL PENSION PLAN REPORT: Bruce Remington was present to update the Board on his investment strategies relating to Central’s pension plan.

OUT OF STATE TRAVEL: The following out of state travel was reported for September, 2019.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Meeting</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Date</u>
Brundage, Devin	APPA	San Antonio, TX	October 1-2, 2019
Drain, Mike	Joint Midwest Hydro Users Group and NHA Regional Mtg.	Minneapolis, MN	October 1-2, 2019
Thulin, Tyler	Fundamentals of Reinforced Concrete Design of Hydraulic Structures	Glendale, CO	October 15-17, 2019

LEGISLATION: Jeff Buettner reported the Clerk of the Legislature released the tentative schedule for the 60-day session that will commence on January 8, 2020 and adjourn on April 23, 2020. He plans to attend NPA’s legislative subcommittee retreat on October 3, 2019 in Lincoln. The State Chamber will hold a Legislative Forum on October 3, 2019 at 5:30 p.m. at JB’s Sports Bar & Grill in Holdrege. The Natural Resources Committee continues their interim studies on the N-CORPE project and whether to return it to the tax rolls, and law enforcement issues at Lake McConaughy due to insufficient presence of officers, especially over holiday weekends.

BOARD COMMENTS: Director Fowler encouraged everyone to watch the NET production called “And the Floods Came: Nebraska 2019.” Directors Dudley Nelson, Knoerzer and Rowe all complimented Jeff Buettner and Holly Rahmann on the successful water tour to Wyoming and Montana. Director Soneson received another request for a timeline on the Phillips Canyon Lake Boat Ramp Project.

A break was taken at 10:13 a.m. The meeting resumed at 10:27 a.m.

MANAGEMENT REPORTS:

- a. Cory Steinke reported on several pieces of broken machinery at Gothenburg, riprap hauling, and dredging along the south side of Jeffrey Reservoir. He encouraged staff and Directors to attend the NSIA/NWRA Joint Convention in Kearney on November 25-26, 2019. He is investigating the possibility of filing a petition with the county to close the Supply Canal MP 53.5 (Hog Farm) Bridge near Cozad.
- b. Tyler Thulin reported Lake McConaughy is at elevation 3,259.0, 1,565,400 acre feet, and 89.8% capacity. Inflows are at 2,000 cfs which should continue to drop. Outflows are at 2,200 cfs, 300 cfs of which are for the Environmental Account releases.
- c. Mike Drain stated the completion date for JEO to perform the Feasibility Study for the Phillips Canyon Lake Boat Ramp Project is March, 2020. He will obtain a map of the project area from Jim Brown to display at the next meeting. He feels confident an Annual Operating Plan will be reached with NPPD for next year due to the above average water levels at Lake McConaughy. He is considering potential changes to the Water Exchange Agreements with Central Platte NRD and NPPD. NPPD filed an application with NDNR to transfer unused irrigation rights to instream flows and Central will file an objection to that application. The mowings at Johnson Lake have concluded for the season. Central will no longer issue PGP permits to lake tenants on behalf of the US Army Corps of Engineers and tenants will need to contact the Corps directly to obtain the permits. Luke Ritz will meet with Corps staff to work out the details of the new PGP permit process. Drain reminded Directors to submit their FERC questions to Emily Anderson to provide to Mead & Hunt prior to their visit during the October 25, 2019 Committee Meeting of the Board.
- d. Dave Ford explained recharge into Elwood, the Waterfowl Production Areas and the Phelps Canal have ceased until mid-November, provided excess flows exist by then. Crews are working on road crossings, pipeline projects, installing riprap, and inspecting and making

repairs along the Phelps Canal. He reported an Asian carp was found near the J-2 return in the river which they will continue to monitor to ensure the invasive species does not enter the canal system. He will provide a 2019 irrigation season report at the October 7, 2019 Regular Business Meeting of the Board which will reflect this season being the second lowest year of delivery in Central's history, at just under an average of 4.0".

- e. Jeff Buettner is presenting to a LEAD program in McCook on October 1, 2019. He has tours scheduled in October with students from the Nebraska College of Technical Agriculture of Curtis and the UNL Law College. He reminded Directors that a professional photographer will take new portraits and a group photo following the October 7, 2019 board meeting. The Legislative Reception will be held in Lincoln on February 25, 2020 and not in conjunction with the annual Board Retreat which will be held in Nebraska City on March 30-April 1, 2020.
- f. Rochelle Jurgens reported that Mike Klein sent collection letters to six delinquent lessees. She is preparing to mail the irrigation invoices on October 1, 2019 which total \$3,741,000.00. The audit by NPPD of Kingsley Hydro went very well, union negotiations continue to proceed, and efforts continue to make the transition of employees' 457 plans from ICMA to Empower.

A break for lunch was taken at 11:37 a.m. The meeting resumed at 12:15 p.m.

Director Soneson exited the meeting during lunch and did not return for the remainder of the meeting.

- g. Eric Hixson stated crews continue to prepare the concrete pads for the diesel generators at the hydros. He filed a third quarter blackstart self-certification with NERC. The J-2 hydro experienced a tripped transformer and generator on September 23, 2019. He has upcoming meetings with NPPD to discuss the future operation of the Keystone Canal and Keystone Diversion Dam gates.
- h. Holly Rahmann presented photos of the recent Water Center tour to Wyoming and Montana.
- i. Devin Brundage reported on his recent conversation with Senator Matt Williams regarding possible legislation to resolve issues relating to conflicts of interest and voter disenfranchisement. He attended the recent Governance Committee meeting where efforts continue on the legislative work necessary for the extension of the first increment of the PRRIP.

LEGAL UPDATE: Charles Brewster stated he and Mike Klein have decided the best course of action to deal with issues raised by the Nebraska Accountability and Disclosure Commission relating to conflicts of interest and voter disenfranchisement is to pursue a change in legislation. There has been no decision by TERC on the Dawson County Tax Protest matter and he has been working with the Land Administration staff to resolve some real estate matters.

PERSONNEL: This was discussed in Closed Session.

WORKSHOPS, SEMINARS AND CONFERENCES: Emily Anderson asked Directors and staff to contact her if they would like to register for the NSIA/NWRA Joint Convention on November 25-26, 2019 in Kearney.

BOARD SUB-COMMITTEE MEETING DATES: Devin Brundage requested another Administration Committee meeting at 8:30 a.m. on Monday, October 7, 2019.

**At 12:51 PM it was moved by Director Petersen and seconded by Director R. Olson, to enter into Closed Session. Upon voting on the motion, the following Directors voted therefore: Bogle, Dahlgren, Fowler, Knoerzer, Mueller, Dudley Nelson, R. Olson, S. Olson, Petersen, and Rowe. Absent was: David Nelson and Soneson. None voted no and the motion was declared carried. Board President Rowe stated the item to be discussed in closed session was the following**

agenda item: Personnel. The purpose of Closed Session was for discussion of personnel matters and to receive legal advice.

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

At 1:12 PM it was moved by Director S. Olson and seconded by Director R. Olson, to exit Closed Session and reconvene in Regular Session. Upon voting on the motion, the following Directors voted therefore Bogle, Dahlgren, Fowler, Knoerzer, Mueller, Dudley Nelson, R. Olson, S. Olson, Petersen, and Rowe. Absent was: David Nelson and Soneson. None voted no and the motion was declared carried. Board President Rowe stated the item discussed in Closed Session was the following agenda item: Personnel.

ADJOURNMENT: It was moved by Director R. Olson and seconded by Director Dudley Nelson to adjourn the meeting at 1:14 p.m. Upon voting on the motion, the following Directors voted therefore: Bogle, Dahlgren, Fowler, Knoerzer, Mueller, Dudley Nelson, R. Olson, S. Olson, Petersen, and Rowe. Absent was: David Nelson and Soneson. None voted no and the motion was declared carried.

MINUTES OF REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING OF THE  
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David R. Ford, Irrigation Operations Mgr.	Dustin Way, Irrigation Service Specialist
Cory A. Steinke, Hydraulic Project Ops. Mgr.	Michael Klein, Legal Counsel
Anton Hassebrook, Hydroelectric Ops. Super.	Emily Anderson, Assistant Secretary

Others present were:

Lori Potter, Kearney Hub	Deb Jensen, on behalf of JLDI
John Thorburn, Tri-Basin NRD	Randy Myers
Rob Lane	Louise Lane
Myron Canada	Gary Regelin
Gary Nuttleman	Jim Hahn
Bruce Bader	Tim Boyle

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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, David L. Rowe, announced that the meeting was open for business and proceeded with roll call.

PUBLIC INPUT: John Thorburn stated he is in the process of seeking approval from Tri-Basin's board for a new Water Conservation Incentive Program. Randy Myers discussed the Phillips Canyon Lake boat ramp and access road, and the need to improve it. Mike Drain displayed an aerial photo

of the lake and stated JEO Consulting has been retained to conduct a feasibility study of improving the existing boat ramp area, or relocating it and constructing a new boat ramp. Drain indicated the feasibility study should be completed early in the spring of 2020. Bruce Bader introduced himself as the District 2 Gosper County Commissioner and explained the road leading to the existing boat ramp is extremely difficult to maintain due to areas of erosion, and it could pose access problems for law enforcement or emergency rescue, especially during or after a rain event.

**CONSENT AGENDA:** Devin Brundage gave an overview of the items on the Consent Agenda which were previously presented and discussed at the August 23, 2019 Committee Meeting of the Board.

President Rowe asked the Directors if there were items they wished to be removed from the Consent Agenda to be discussed and voted on individually. Hearing none, the following items were presented for approval:

- **Approval of Minutes of Regular Business Meeting of the Board of Directors held September 3, 2019**
- **Approval of Minutes of Committee Meeting of the Board of Directors held September 27, 2019**
- **Approval of the October Disbursements:**

*Hydro Division:*

Check #s 57171 & 60228-VOID; Check #s 60599 through 60818 and 8899909 through 8899925 (Accounts Payable) \$635,013.16

Payroll \$507,904.83

*Kingsley Division:*

Check #s 3133 through 3144 (Accounts Payable) \$97,972.38

*J-2 Regulating Reservoir Construction Fund:*

NONE NONE

*Glendo Division:*

NONE NONE

*Flex Spending Account:*

Check # 8155 through 8157 \$1,580.86

- **Approval of 2019 Budget Revision as follows:**

	<u>Current Budget</u>	<u>Proposed Budget</u>	<u>Difference</u>
<u>Phelps</u>			
Pipeline A18.7-2.2-8.3-0.6 to 1.3	\$0	\$36,800	\$36,800
Phelps Earthwork 2-38-54300-506	\$402,500	\$365,700	(\$36,800)
		Net Change	\$0

- **Approval of Purchase Requisition No. HA6277 – Diamond Plastics for PVC Pipe (\$64,269.43)**
- **Approval of Work Order No. 186260 – Close open lateral at A18.7-2.2-8.3-0.6 to 1.3 (\$3,700.00)**
- **Approval of Work Order No. 186565 – Replace open lateral at A18.7-2.2-8.3-0.6 to 1.3 (\$36,800.00)**
- **Approval of Work Order No. 107403 – Beehive GIS (\$27,071.00)**
- **Approval of Progress Estimate No. 1, Contract No. 0-693, Allen Blasting & Coating, Inc. for preparation and painting of J-2 Penstock and surge tank (\$103,465.98)**
- **Approval of Contract Change Order No. 1, Contract No. HA6265 with Kidwell for Video Surveillance System (\$2,084.36)**
- **Approval of Temporary Easements with the Nebraska Department of Transportation for the Highway 21 Improvement Project, as follows:**

- Acquisition Contract for Tract No. 1 L1 (Billy and Joanna Griffith)
- Acquisition Contract for Tract No. 2 L2 (Griffith Brothers Farm, LLC)
- Approval of a contribution to the Lakeside Golf Club using Lake Improvement Funds in an amount of \$20,000.00 for costs associated with joining onto the Sanitary Improvement District (SID)
- Approval of the variance request to allow the tenant of 50 K-1, Lake McConaughy to retain the after-the-fact constructed retaining wall, providing a safety railing is installed in accordance with county building requirements and/or industry safety standards
- Approval of the Power and Recreation Committee's determination to deny the variance request by the tenant of 50 K-1, Lake McConaughy for the after-the-fact drainage system but to defer the required removal of the drainage system on areas outside of the lot's boundaries for a maximum of 12 months or until such time as the replat work of the K-1 Area is completed, whichever is sooner
- Approval of the variance request by the tenant of 33 Mallard Beach, Johnson Lake for the reconstruction of the garage approximately 16' into the 10% depth of lot setback, approximately 25' from the edge of the roadway, pending written approval by the adjacent neighbors
- Approval of the Power and Recreation Committee's determination to deny the four items requested in the variance application by the tenant of 32 Perch Bay, Johnson Lake
- Approval of an amendment to Appendix A of the District's Permitting Procedures to allow for a 30' shoreline setback in the Mallard Beach Sections 5 and Part of 6 (66-122), Johnson Lake
- Approval of Mead & Hunt's Contract Amendment No. 10 for Kingsley Dam PMF Study

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

ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE (10/7/19): Devin Brundage reported the union held a vote on management's proposal on October 3, 2019 and their results will be available soon. He anticipates reaching an agreement very soon.

LEGISLATION: Jeff Buettner had nothing new to report.

WORKSHOPS, SEMINARS AND CONFERENCES: President Rowe reminded Directors to contact Emily Anderson if they want to attend the NWRA/NSIA Joint Convention in Kearney on November 25-26, 2019.

PERSONNEL: The job descriptions of Irrigation Operations Supervisor, Irrigation Maintenance Supervisor and Irrigation O & M Supervisor were presented which are intended to restructure the maintenance and irrigation operations of the Holdrege and Bertrand divisions.

It was moved by Director Bogle and seconded by Director R. Olson approve the Irrigation Operations Supervisor, Irrigation Maintenance Supervisor and Irrigation O & M Supervisor job descriptions as presented. Upon voting on the motion, the following Directors voted therefore: Bogle, Dahlgren, Fowler, Knoerzer, Mueller, David Nelson, Dudley Nelson, R. Olson, S. Olson, Petersen, Rowe, and Soneson. None voted no and the motion was declared carried.

DIRECTORS' ATTENDANCE: All Directors were present.

BOARD COMMENTS: Director Dahlgren inquired about who was performing the feasibility study for the Phillips Canyon Lake Boat Ramp Improvement Project. Mike Drain confirmed that JEO Consulting will perform the study at a cost of \$17,880. Director R. Olson commented on UNL's plan to invest \$85 million for a new engineering building.

LEGAL UPDATE: Mike Klein informed the Directors of a lawsuit between the District's health insurance carrier and the insurance carriers of an individual who was responsible for a car accident which severely and permanently injured an employee's dependent.

MANAGEMENT REPORTS: The following operations reports were presented:

- a. Cory Steinke reported on Supply Canal operations, riprap hauling and dredging at Jeffrey Reservoir.
- b. Anton Hassebrook stated the J-2 penstock painting continues and crews will start installing the diesel generator at Kingsley next week.
- c. Tyler Thulin reported Lake McConaughy is at elevation 3,258.9, 1,562,600 acre feet, and 89.7% capacity. Inflows are at 2,000 cfs which will start to decrease due to the Bureau of Reclamation cutting North Platte River outflows in Wyoming. Outflows are 1,700 cfs and the Environmental Account releases have ceased.
- d. Jeff Buettner has two tours scheduled in October.
- e. Rochelle Jurgens reported that the irrigation bills were mailed out on October 1, 2019. She plans to offer the e-check option for irrigators to use to pay their bills and continues to search for a suitable credit card processing vendor. Work continues to transition the 457 plan funds.
- f. Dave Ford presented his 2019 Irrigation Season Report reflecting an average of 3.8 inches/acre and a total of 32,450 acre-feet of irrigation deliveries to customers, rainfall totaling 25.44" at Holdrege during the 6 month growing season, and a total amount diverted into the canal system of 113,946 acre-feet.
- g. Devin Brundage presented at an infrastructure seminar in Hastings last week sponsored by Congressman Adrian Smith.

ADJOURNMENT: It was moved by Director Knoerzer and seconded by Director Dudley Nelson to adjourn the Regular Business Meeting of the Board at 9:52 a.m. Upon voting on the motion, the following Directors voted therefore: Bogle, Dahlgren, Fowler, Knoerzer, Mueller, David Nelson, Dudley Nelson, R. Olson, S. Olson, Petersen, Rowe, and Soneson. None voted no and the motion was declared carried.

ATTEST:

THE CENTRAL NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER  
AND IRRIGATION DISTRICT

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Robert B. Dahlgren, Secretary

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