

CENTRAL NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER AND IRRIGATION DISTRICT

HOLDREGE, NEBRASKA

APRIL 5, 2021 – 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  
HOLDREGE, NEBRASKA  
MARCH 26, 2021 – 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 March 23, 2021, and through legal publication in the Kearney Hub and Holdrege Daily Citizen on March 23, 2021, and Lexington Clipper-Herald on March 25, 2021, and then North Platte Telegraph on March 25, 2021, 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.

An e-mail providing the time, date, and place of this meeting was sent to the Directors on March 19, 2021.

The following Directors were present:

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

Also present were the following:

Devin M. Brundage, General Manager	Van D. Fastenau, Irrigation Superintendent*
Rochelle A. Jurgens, Controller	Dusty Way, Irrigation Operations Supervisor
Eric R. Hixson, Electrical Project Ops. Mgr.	Duane Cernousek, Purchasing Agent
Mike A. Drain, Nat. Resources & Compliance Mgr.	Jim Brown, Compliance Coordinator
Scott Dicke, Irrigation & Water Services Mgr.	Alex Linden, Public Relations Specialist
Cory A. Steinke, Hydraulic Project Ops. Mgr.	Charles Brewster, Legal Counsel
Anton Hassebrook, Hydroelectric Ops. Super.	Emily Anderson, Assistant Secretary
Tyler Thulin, Civil Engineer	

*\*participated via Zoom*

Others present were:

Zach Gray	Ken Christensen
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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: None

REAL ESTATE PURCHASE NEGOTIATIONS: This was discussed in Closed Session.

PERSONNEL: This was discussed in Closed Session.

At 9:03 AM it was moved by Director R. Olson and seconded by Director Dudley Nelson to enter into Closed Session. Upon voting on the motion, the following Directors voted therefore: Bogle, Boyle, Dahlgren, Knoerzer, Mueller, David Nelson, Dudley Nelson, R. Olson, S. Olson, Rowe, Shepherd, and Soneson. None voted no and the motion was declared carried. The reason for entering into Closed Session was to discuss the following agenda items: Real Estate Purchase Negotiations and Personnel. The purpose of entering into Closed Session for these items was to discuss real estate negotiations, a personnel matter and to receive legal advice.

#### CLOSED SESSION

At 9:20 AM it was moved by Director Bogle and seconded by Director S. Olson to exit Closed Session and reconvene in Regular Session Upon voting on the motion, the following Directors voted therefore: Bogle, Boyle, Dahlgren, Knoerzer, Mueller, David Nelson, Dudley Nelson, R. Olson, S. Olson, Rowe, Shepherd, and Soneson. None voted no and the motion was declared carried. Board President Rowe stated the items discussed in Closed Session were Real Estate Purchase Negotiations and Personnel.

REAL ESTATE PURCHASE NEGOTIATIONS: It was moved by Director Dudley Nelson and seconded by Director Knoerzer to authorize the General Manager to enter into a Purchase Agreement for real estate and execute any associated agreements or documents as discussed in Closed Session upon legal review. Upon voting on the motion, the following Directors voted therefore: Bogle, Boyle, Dahlgren, Knoerzer, Mueller, David Nelson, Dudley Nelson, R. Olson, S. Olson, Rowe, Shepherd, and Soneson. None voted no and the motion was declared carried.

DIRECTORS' ATTENDANCE: All Directors were present.

ADJOURNMENT: It was moved by Director Bogle and seconded by Director R. Olson to adjourn the Special Meeting of the Board at 9:24 AM. Upon voting on the motion, the following Directors voted therefore: Bogle, Boyle, Dahlgren, Knoerzer, Mueller, David Nelson, Dudley Nelson, R. Olson, S. Olson, Rowe, Shepherd, and Soneson. None voted no and the motion was declared carried.



PERMIT TO CONSTRUCT SUMMARY: The following permits were approved during the month of March, 2021:

Permits to Construct Approved by General Manager 3/26/2021			
<u>Name</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Permit &amp; Purpose</u>	<u>Date Approved &amp; Fee</u>
PEAT, LLC	SE1/4 Section 26-7-21	Bore an electrical line under the E65 canal on Tract E65#3 for an irrigation canal pump.	Waived

Permits to Construct Approved by Land Administration Department 3/26/2021 – Johnson Lake			
<u>Name</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Permit &amp; Purpose</u>	<u>Date Approved &amp; Fee</u>
Farnsworth, Mark & Sheryl	11 Mallard Beach Dr. 20	ECS- Bank Stabilization (Riprap) for 57 linear feet of the shoreline.	02/12/2021
Bartruff 6, LLC	1A Crappie Corner Dr. 5	SWAF- Replace the tops of 12- 4'W x 8'L dock sections and 6'W Access to the shoreline.	02/16/2021 \$50.00
Bellamy, Brian	1 Northeast Bay Dr. 4	ECS-Bank Stabilization (Riprap) for 24 linear feet of the shoreline.	02/17/2021
Bellamy, Brian	1 Northeast Bay Dr. 4	SWAF- Beach area bordered with Riprap and 6'W Access to the shoreline.	02/17/2021 \$50.00
Owens, Tobin & Amanda	43 North Shore Dr. 8	SWAF- Install 4'W x 56'L Dock, 8'W x 8'L Swim Platform, 8'W x 4'L Dock and 11'W x 11'L Shorestation.	02/19/2021 \$50.00
Hibberd, James & Jelden, Rose	49 Bass Bay Dr. 16	ECS- Bank Stabilization (Riprap) for 75 linear feet of the shoreline.	02/22/2021
Stromberg, Gary	43 & 44 Mallard Beach Dr. 20	ECS- Bank Stabilization (Riprap) for 88 linear feet of the shoreline.	02/22/2021
Javorsky, Donald	71 Lakeview Acres Dr. 14A	SWAF - Install 4'W x 24'L Dock, 4'W x 24'L Dock, 8'W x 9'L Jet-ski lift and 11'W x 11'L Shorestation.	02/25/2021 \$50.00
Grennan, Brian & Kimberly	33 Lakeview Acres Dr. 14A	SWAF - Install 23'L x 11'W Shorestation, 12'L x 12'W Jet-Ski lift and 5'W x 20'L Dock.	03/03/2021 \$50.00
Withers, Kip	15 Sandy Point Dr. 24	SWAF - Construct 6'W x 9'L Jet-Ski Lift, 8'W x 8'L Swim Platform, 4'W x 40'L Dock, 2- 12'W x 12'L Shorestation, 8'W x 24'L Dock, 4'W x 16'L Dock.	03/16/2021 \$50.00
Abramson, Thomas	106 Mallard Beach Dr. 22	ECS- Bank Stabilization (Riprap) for 45 linear feet of the shoreline.	03/08/2021
Norden, Carl	46 Bass Bay Dr. 16	ECS- Bank Stabilization Riprap for 60 linear feet of the shoreline.	03/09/2021
Walker, Jonathon	123 Mallard Beach Dr. 22A	DWEL- Construct an addition of steps to an existing covered deck.	03/04/2021
Jonas, Andy	111 Mallard Beach Dr. 22	SWAF- Construct 9'L x 6'W Jet-Ski Lift, 13'L x 10'6"W Shorestation, 8'W x 8'L Swim Platform, 88'L x 4'W Existing Dock and Triangle Dock Connector.	03/08/2021 \$50.00
Lambert, Joseph & Brooke	22 Mallard Cove Dr. 19A	DWEL & SWAF- Remove and replace existing walkway and steps.	03/04/2021 \$50.00
Lofgreen, David	61 Sandy Point Dr. 24A	DWEL - Construct a single family two-story dwelling, 44' x 66'.	03/10/2021

Permits to Construct Approved by Land Administration Department 3/26/2021 – Jeffrey Lake			
Exstrom, Debra	100 Pelican Dr.	ECS- ATF Retaining Wall	03/05/2021 After-the-Fact \$100.00
Kotsiopolous, Peter & Jane	35 S. Lakeview Rd.	ECS- Bank Stabilization (Riprap) for 180 linear feet of the shoreline.	03/15/2021
Permits to Construct Approved by Land Administration Department 3/26/2021 –Midway Lake			
<u>Name</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Permit &amp; Purpose</u>	<u>Date Approved &amp; Fee</u>
McKeone, Mark & Wolf, Jennifer	67 Stange Circle	ATF SWAF- Install 4'W x 20'L Dock, 4'W x 10'L Dock, 4'W x 30'L Dock, 4'W x 30'L Dock, 10'W x 25'L Shorestation and 8'W x 12'L Jet-Ski Lift.	02/17/2021 After-the-Fact \$100.00
Permits to Construct Approved by Land Administration Department 3/26/2021 – Plum Creek Lake			
<u>Name</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Permit &amp; Purpose</u>	<u>Date Approved &amp; Fee</u>
Embury, Stuart	2 Plum Creek Canyon Dr. 12B	ECS- Bank Stabilization (Riprap) for 50 linear feet of the shoreline.	03/01/2021
Gengenbach, Anthony & Chelsea	16 Plum Creek Canyon Dr. 121	SWAF- Install 10'W x 11'L Shorestation, 4'W x 12'L Dock and 4'W x 40'L Dock.	02/18/2021 Adjacent Landowner (Conditional) \$200.00
Fairbanks, James & Marsha	1 Plum Creek Canyon Dr. 12B	SWAF/ECS- Construct 4.5"T x 270"L Retaining Wall.	02/12/2021 \$50.00
Keller, Bill & Julie	12 Plum Creek Canyon Dr. 121	SWAF/ECS - Placement of retaining walls within 50' of the shoreline, Ne 4W' x 27'L Access, 3'W x 12'L Gangway, 5'W x 10'L Dock Sections, 10'W x 25'L Shorestation.	03/15/2021 Adjacent Landowner \$400.00

**WATER SERVICE AGREEMENTS:** Dusty Way presented a summary of the following:

<u>System</u>	<u>Acct. No.</u>	<u>Legal Desc.</u>	<u>Landowner</u>	<u>Contr. Acres</u>	<u>Total Acres Chg'd</u>
<b><u>Water Service Agreements:</u></b>					
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**2021 WATER RIGHT TRANSFERS:** Dusty Way presented 14 water right transfer requests totaling 528.3 acres in the Phelps, E65 and Supply Canal irrigation areas. The water rights from unused or cancelled acres used to cover these requests are for the following parcels.

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Dale R Lind TTEE SW ¼ SE ¼ 33-8-19 = 4.5 Acres

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Pine Row Farms Inc. SE ¼ NW ¼ 32-6-19 = 1 Acre  
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Myron D Miller, et al NW ¼ 36-8-21 138 Acres

**Supply Canal** - None

**WORK ORDER/PURCHASE REQUISITION SUMMARY:** Duane Cernousek and staff presented an overview of the following:

- a. Work Order No. 107428 – One 2021 Dodge 1500 Tradesman Quad Cab Truck (\$32,114.09)
- b. Work Order No. 107430 – One 2021 Dodge 2500 Tradesman Crew Cab, Chassis Only (\$41,562.40)
- c. Work Order No. 107431 – Diesel Powered Front-end Wheel Loader (\$162,000.00)
- d. Work Order No. 107432 – 10-Yard Dump Truck (\$146,100.00)
- e. Purchase Requisition No. 6951 - Charles River Associates for FERC Transmission Rate Filing work through 2/28/21 (\$48,943.50)

**BID TAB – GEOSYNTHETIC TUBE MATERIAL:** Cory Steinke did not have a bid tab to present at this time as he is still analyzing and comparing the bids received. He intends to make a recommendation at the Regular Business Meeting on April 5, 2021.

A break was taken at 9:44 a.m. The meeting resumed at 9:56 a.m.

**WATER SERVICES COMMITTEE (3/1/21):** Scott Dicke and Tyler Thulin presented the materials from the March 1, 2021 subcommittee meeting regarding a concept to create a new open ditch canal and siphon sections to eventually replace the aging system of siphons and potentially increase the delivery rate of water from the Supply Canal into Elwood Reservoir, while eliminating the need to pump the water. The concept of a return pipeline into Plum Creek was also presented. Discussion was held regarding funding methods. The Directors were favorable to continuing to investigate and move forward on this project.

**LAND AND RECREATION COMMITTEE (3/25/21):** Mike Drain gave an overview of the items the subcommittee took action on at their meeting:

- a. **Application for Variance – 131 Mallard Beach, Johnson Lake:** The subcommittee voted to recommend Board approval of the variance to allow the customer to construct an Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) compliant elevated walkway and railing within the Lot Line Setback.
- b. **Keith County Sheriff's Office UTV Request:** The subcommittee voted to recommend Board approval of a contribution of \$2,000.00 from Lake Improvement Funds for the purchase of the UTV as requested.
- c. **Medo's Lease Extension:** The subcommittee voted to recommend Board approval of the Medo's lease to April 30, 2022.

PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE (3/26/21): Devin Brundage presented a summary of discussions from the subcommittee meeting held earlier this morning.

RESOLUTION NO. 21-02 – RECOGNITION OF JACOB DRAIN, EAGLE SCOUT: Devin Brundage presented a resolution thanking Jacob Drain for his contribution to the District by creating tour information and directional signs for the Kingsley Hydro Plant, and recognizes him for achieving the rank of Eagle Scout.

LEGISLATION: An updated legislative watch list was distributed.

BOARD COMMENTS: Director Knoerzer has seen positive press coverage from the Phillips Canyon Boat Ramp project. Director Mueller has observed dredging in the bay at Van's Lakeview at Lake McConaughy.

LEGAL UPDATE: Charles Brewster thanked Jim Brown for his assistance in filing the tax protests in Dawson County and complimented staff for their team effort with regard to the real estate negotiation process.

MANAGEMENT REPORTS:

- a. Anton Hassebrook presented photos of the damaged concrete at the J-1 penstock due to an ice formation and the subsequent repair work. The governor commissioning will resume next week.

Dave Rowe exited the meeting at 10:56 a.m.

- b. Cory Steinke stated crews have been busy with recharge, maintenance and repairs. He is conducting interviews for a General Maintenance position in Gothenburg this week to replace Ron Marlin due to his retirement. He displayed a photo of Doug Max with Ron Marlin who have a combined 86 years' of experience with the District. Steinke expects numerous retirements in the coming three to five years.
- c. Tyler Thulin reported Lake McConaughy is at elevation 3,248.4, 1,286,000 acre feet, and 73.7% capacity. Inflows to Lake McConaughy are 1,150 cfs and outflows are 250 cfs. Hydrocycling began on March 18, 2021 and will continue through the end of April, causing fluctuations at Johnson Lake. Snowpack has increased to 97%-118% of average.
- d. Mike Drain has been working on dam safety items and remains hopeful that FERC will accept the revised Kingsley Dam Inflow Design Flood analysis.
- e. Scott Dicke reported on excess flows for recharge that started on March 14, 2021, and diverted into the Phelps and E-65 Canals, Elwood Reservoir and Victor WPA. He displayed photos of employees at the recharge locations. He also presented photos of a new UTV bridge constructed by employees.
- f. Rochelle Jurgens received notice that BKD finalized the 2020 audit and she expects the December financial report to be available to the Directors next week.
- g. Eric Hixson is preparing a NERC cyber security self-certification that is due next week. He announced both of the District's communications technicians have taken jobs with another utility, so he is busy interviewing candidates.
- h. Dusty Way and Van Fastenau are interviewing for an Irrigation Service Specialist position.
- i. Alex Linden is preparing for the annual job fair being held next week.



- j. Devin Brundage presented information from SPP on the 2021 energy emergency created as a result of the ice storm in the southern plains. A review of projections from PSE and NPPD indicate continued migration to renewable energy resources from both a local and nationwide perspective.

PERSONNEL: A draft of an employment agreement with Jon Herrick was briefly discussed.

OUT OF STATE TRAVEL: None.

WORKSHOPS, SEMINARS AND CONFERENCES: None.

BOARD SUB-COMMITTEE MEETINGS AND OTHER IMPORTANT UPCOMING EVENTS:

- a. Joint Meeting with Dawson Public Power District at 75191 Rd. 433, Lexington, NE – March 31, 2021 at 2:00 p.m.
- b. Power & Facilities Committee – April 5, 2021 at 11:00 a.m. (immediately following board meeting)

**ADJOURNMENT: It was moved by Director S. Olson and seconded by Director Bogle to adjourn the meeting at 11:41 AM. Upon voting on the motion, the following Directors voted therefore: Bogle, Boyle, Dahlgren, Knoerzer, Mueller, David Nelson, Dudley Nelson, R. Olson, S. Olson, Shepherd, and Soneson. Absent was: Rowe. None voted no and the motion was declared carried.**

MINUTES OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE MEETING OF THE  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
THE CENTRAL NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER AND IRRIGATION DISTRICT  
(HELD AT THE OFFICES OF DAWSON PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT, LEXINGTON, NE)  
MARCH 31, 2021 – 2:00 P.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 March 25, 2021, and through legal publication in the Kearney Hub and Holdrege Daily Citizen on March 25, 2021, and the Lexington Clipper-Herald and North Platte Telegraph on March 27, 2021, 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 providing the time, date, and place of this meeting was sent to the Directors on March 22, 2021.

The following Directors were present:

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Robert B. Dahlgren, Secretary	David G. Nelson	Roger D. Olson
Geoffrey K. Bogle, Treasurer	Dudley L. Nelson	Kyle Shepherd
		Gordon N. Soneson

Absent were: Tim Boyle and Martin E. Mueller

Also present were the following Central staff:

Devin M. Brundage, General Manager	Jeff J. Buettner, Govt & Public Relations Mgr.
Rochelle A. Jurgens, Controller	Charles Brewster, Legal Counsel
Eric R. Hixson, Electrical Project Ops. Mgr.	Emily Anderson, Assistant Secretary

Others present were:

- Members of the Board of Directors of Dawson Public Power District and several of their staff
- Eric Sonju, Richard Macke and Shaurice Moorman of Power System Engineering (PSE)

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Eric Sonju and Richard Macke of PSE presented the preliminary results of Phase I of the Dawson and Central consolidation feasibility study.

Following discussion, both boards will consider action at their upcoming business meetings with regard to proceeding with Phase II of the study.

The meeting adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

MINUTES OF REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING OF THE  
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Others present were:

Zach Gray	John Thorburn, Tri-Basin NRD
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PUBLIC INPUT: John Thorburn reported the annual Water Jamboree will be held April 21-22, 2021 at the Harlan County Reservoir. The Nebraska Department of Natural Resources (NDNR) will hold a hearing on July 19, 2021 to hear from objectors to the Platte to Republican Diversion Project (PRD Project).

CONSENT AGENDA: Devin Brundage provided an overview of the items on the Consent Agenda which were previously presented and discussed at the March 26, 2021 Committee Meeting of the Board.

The Board President asked the Directors if there were items they wished to remove 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 March 1, 2021**
- **Approval of Minutes of Special Meeting of the Board of Directors held March 26, 2021**
- **Approval of Minutes of Committee Meeting of the Board of Directors held March 26, 2021**
- **Approval of Minutes of Special Committee Meeting of the Board of Directors held March 31, 2021**
- **Approval of the April Disbursements:**

*Hydro Division:*

Check #s 64173, 64257, 64285, and 8900267 through 8900281-VOID; 64285 through 64546 and 8900267 through 8900305 (Accounts Payable)	\$983,342.72
	\$516,900.24

Payroll

*Kingsley Division:*

Check #s 3301 through 3311 (Accounts Payable)	\$57,016.15
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*J-2 Regulating Reservoir Construction Fund:*

NONE	NONE
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*Glendo Division:*

NONE	NONE
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*Flex Spending Account:*

Check #s 7579293 & 7659804	\$1,249.97
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**Supply Canal - None**

- **Approval of a variance at 131 Mallard Beach, Johnson Lake to construct an Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) compliant elevated walkway and railing within the Lot Line Setback**
- **Approval of a contribution of \$2,000.00 from Lake Improvement Funds towards the purchase of a UTV as requested by the Keith County Sheriff's Office**
- **Approval of an extension of the Medo's concessionaire lease to April 30, 2022**
- **Approval of Resolution No. 21-02 – Recognition of Jacob Drain, Eagle Scout**

**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, Boyle, Dahlgren, Knoerzer, Mueller, David Nelson, Dudley Nelson, R. Olson, S. Olson, Rowe, Shepherd, and Soneson. None voted no and the motion was declared carried.**

LEGISLATION: Jeff Buettner presented an update of the bills he continues to follow. He stated the legislature will resume day 55 of their 90-day session tomorrow.

DISTRICT INTEGRATION STUDY UPDATE: Devin Brundage displayed the results of Phase I of the integration feasibility study previously presented by Erik Sonju and Richard Macke from PSE at the joint meeting held at Dawson Public Power District's office on March 31, 2021. Board Members discussed many concepts around a potential consolidation including the energy market, the results of the financial analysis, and the options that might be available for the governance structure of a merged board.

**It was moved by Director Dudley Nelson and seconded by Director Shepherd to authorize Power System Engineering (PSE) to proceed to Phase II of the feasibility study. Upon voting on the motion, the following Directors voted therefore: Bogle, Boyle, Knoerzer, Mueller, David Nelson, Dudley Nelson, R. Olson, S. Olson, Rowe, Shepherd, and Soneson. Dahlgren voted no. The motion was declared carried.**

A break was taken at 10:04 a.m. The meeting resumed at 10:29 a.m.

WORKSHOPS, SEMINARS AND CONFERENCES: None.

PERSONNEL: Devin Brundage recommended Board approval of the employment agreement with Jon Herrick as presented.

**It was moved by Director Bogle and seconded by Director Dahlgren to authorize the General Manager to enter into an employment agreement with Jon Herrick as presented. Upon voting on the motion, the following Directors voted therefore: Bogle, Boyle, Dahlgren,**

**Knoerzer, Mueller, David Nelson, Dudley Nelson, R. Olson, S. Olson, Rowe, Shepherd, and Soneson. None voted no and the motion was declared carried.**

DIRECTORS' ATTENDANCE: All directors were present.

BOARD COMMENTS: Directors commented on the various aspects of the presentation PSE provided on March 31, 2021.

LEGAL UPDATE: Charles Brewster reported TERC has still not yet rendered a decision on the tax protest. He will attend a hearing on April 15, 2021 for the new series of tax protests filed in Dawson County. Work continues on a collection matter involving a delinquent lake tenant.

MANAGEMENT REPORTS: The following management reports were presented:

- a. Cory Steinke reported on preparations to begin erosion control measures at locations around Lake McConaughy. The project will involve the placement of geotubes, which are large sand-filled geo-textile sleeves. He displayed aerial photos of the Jeffrey Lodge area following the removal of houses #1 and #4. He reported on the hiring of two new general maintenance employees in Gothenburg. The bridge project at milepost 62.5 will be delayed at least until 2022 due to current prices and availability of materials.
- b. Tyler Thulin reported Lake McConaughy is at elevation 3,248.8, 1,293,700 acre feet, and 74.2% capacity. Inflows to Lake McConaughy are 925 cfs, and outflows have increased to 750 cfs due to releases from the environmental account to improve river flows during the whooping crane migration. Snowpack in both basins is between 90%-108% of average.
- c. Mike Drain and Rochelle Jurgens submitted comments to FERC in response to their request for financial information.
- d. Jeff Buettner is making plans for a busy tour season. He is arranging tours for the Dawson Area Development Corporation, Johnson Lake Development, Inc., and Dawson Public Power District board members. He announced that Central was a recipient of the Pheasants Forever and Quail Forever Polaris Habitat Stewardship Award for 2020-2021.
- e. Scott Dicke reported the canals will start filling on April 15, 2021. Interviews were conducted last week for the Irrigation Service Specialist position in Holdrege.
- f. Eric Hixson stated unit 2 at J-1 is back in service. The epoxy repairs done in the penstock passed the strength test.
- g. Devin Brundage continues to work on the PSE study and various concepts for improving some longstanding contractual agreements with other organizations.

ADJOURNMENT: **It was moved by Director Mueller and seconded by Director Dudley Nelson to adjourn the Regular Business Meeting of the Board at 10:48 AM. Upon voting on the motion, the following Directors voted therefore: Bogle, Boyle, Dahlgren, Knoerzer, Mueller, David Nelson, Dudley Nelson, R. Olson, S. Olson, Rowe, Shepherd, and Soneson. None voted no and the motion was declared carried.**

ATTEST:

THE CENTRAL NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER  
AND IRRIGATION DISTRICT

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Robert B. Dahlgren, Secretary

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