

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
APRIL 23, 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 April 19, 2021, and through legal publication in the Kearney Hub and Holdrege Daily Citizen on April 19, 2021, and the North Platte Telegraph and Lexington Clipper-Herald on April 17, 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 postcard was mailed to each Director on April 14, 2021 giving the time, date, and place of this meeting.

The following Directors were present:

David L. Rowe, President	Tim Boyle	
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

The following Director was absent: K. Scott Olson

Also present were the following:

Devin M. Brundage, General Manager	Anton Hassebrook, Hydroelectric Ops. Super.
Rochelle A. Jurgens, Controller	Meredith Pierce, Assistant Controller
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
Jeff J. Buettner, Govt & Public Relations Mgr.	Emily Anderson, Assistant Secretary
Tyler Thulin, Civil Engineer	

Others present were:

Zach Gray	Colby Johnson, NGPC
Chris Lindner, BKD	Jim Swenson, NGPC
Abby Dobson, BKD	

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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 a.m. Board President Rowe announced that the meeting was open for business and proceeded with roll call.

PUBLIC INPUT: Colby Johnson, Regional Superintendent for the Southern Panhandle, and Jim Swenson, Parks Division Manager, of the Nebraska Game and Parks Commission presented an update of the implementation of Phase 2 of the Lake McConaughy Master Plan.

CONSENT TO ASSIGNMENT SUMMARY: None.

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

Permits to Construct Approved by General Manager 4/23/2021			
<u>Name</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Permit & Purpose</u>	<u>Date Approved & Fee</u>
None			

Permits to Construct Approved by Land Administration Department 4/23/2021 – Johnson Lake			
<u>Name</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Permit & Purpose</u>	<u>Date Approved & Fee</u>
Rowe, David & Sheila	16 Bass Bay Dr. 16	Removal of Trees	04/07/2021
Manary, Matt & Stacy	14 Perch Bay Dr. 6	ECS- Bank Stabilization (Riprap) for 55 linear feet of the shoreline.	03/23/2021
Newburn, Dana	120 Lakeview Acres Dr. 14D	ECS- Construct 12'W x 28'L Shorestation, 8'W x 28'L Dock, 4'W x 8'L Gangway and 7'W x 12'L Jet-Ski Lift.	03/22/2021 \$50.00
Ourada, Andrew	3 Northeast Cove Dr. 9	Removal of 2 Trees	03/18/2021
Norden, Carl	46 Bass Bay	Tree Removal	03/09/2021
Hastings, Michael & Julie	143 Mallard Beach Dr. 23	DWEL - Construct 16'10" x 27'6" addition and 14' x 34' covered upper and lower deck with steps from upper to lower deck.	03/31/2021
Janssen, David & Marcie	35 North Shore Dr. 8	DWEL - SWAF Construct on grade patio.	03/31/2021 \$50.00
Bartruff 6 LLC	1A Crappie Corner Dr. 5	ECS - Bank Stabilization (Riprap) for 12 linear feet of the shoreline.	04/14/2021
Landrigan, Donald & Charlotte	116 Mallard Beach Dr. 22	ECS - Bank Stabilization (Riprap) for 90 linear feet of the shoreline.	04/06/2021
Messersmith, Levi & Bobbie	17 Lakeview Acres Dr. 14	SWAF - Construct 10'W x 24'L Shorestation.	04/15/2021 \$50.00
Manary, Matt	14 Perch Bay Dr.	SWAF- Construct 95'2" of landscaped bed, 12' x 16" Boulders, 16"2" x 16T fire pit, 191'2" On-grade Patio.	04/06/2021 \$50.00
Stickney, Debra	24 Mallard Cove Dr. 19A	DWEL- Replace existing concrete and construct additional concrete sidewalk.	04/02/2021
Vanden Berge, Leon & Jodi	21 N. Shore Dr. 8	Removal of Tree	04/06/2021
Tucker, Sherry	113 Mallard Beach Dr. 22A	SWAF - Construct two 10'W x 10'L Shorestation, two 8'W x 8'L Swim Platforms, 6'W x 9'L Jet-Ski Lift and 4'W x 80'L Dock.	04/15/2021 \$50.00
Becky A Sterling Trust	37 Sandy Point Dr. 24A	DWEL -Replace existing concrete in accordance with Central's Permitting Procedures.	04/02/2021
Schaaf, Timothy & Carolyn	18 Park Lane Dr. 28	DWEL - Place gravel in driveway area.	03/17/2021

Pickel, Ronald & Susan	64 Mallard Beach So Bay Dr. 21	DWEL - Construct 18' x 32' x 14' high attached garage.	04/06/2021
Muegerl, Jack & LeAnn	92 Lakeview Acres Dr. 14C	SWAF - Construct 24'L x 10'W Shorestation and 4'W x 24'L Dock.	04/15/2021 \$50.00
Fagot, Thomas & Catherine	21 Bass Bay Dr. 16	DWEL - Remove and install a privacy fence.	04/05/2021
Selby, Michael & Donna	124 Mallard Beach Dr. 22A	DWEL - Construct new hand rail along the north edge of an existing elevated deck.	04/06/2021
Schultz, Steven & Kari	39 Bass Bay	SWAF- Construct 4'W x 90'L Dock, 4'W x 10'L Dock, 12'W x 12'L Shorestation, 8'W x 20'L Dock, 6'W x 9'L Jet-Ski Lift, 4'W x 10'L Dock, 12'W x 12'L Shorestation.	03/31/2021 \$50.00

Permits to Construct
Approved by Land Administration Department
4/23/2021 – Lake McConaughy

<u>Name</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Permit & Purpose</u>	<u>Date Approved & Fee</u>
Arterburn, Joe	K-3 Cabin Area, Lot 4	Removal of trees	04/04/2021
Tuma, James	43 K-1 Rd	Removal of two trees.	03/30/2021
Jones, Seth & Linda	2 K-3 Rd	DWEL - Install new domestic water well.	04/14/2021

Permits to Construct
Approved by Land Administration Department
4/23/2021 – Jeffrey Lake

Rickertsen, Archie	10 Lakeview	Removal of Tree	04/12/2021
Griffin, Hugh and Werner, Nicholas	82 Pelican Dr.	ECS - Install 15'L x 4'T x 3'W Retaining Wall.	03/29/2021
Egender, Deborah	30 Lakeview Rd.	DWEL - Construct 15' x 33' concrete patio, Repair foundation under a portion of the existing structure. Construct 44' x 33' addition consisting of living space and attached garage.	03/26/2021
Thieszen, Todd & Shariel	120 Anchor Bay Dr.	SWAF - Construct 5'W x 30'L Dock and 11'W x 11'L Shorestation.	04/02/2021 \$50.00
Stillwell, Bob & Lynell	112 S. Shore Dr.	Removal of two trees.	03/29/2021
McWha, Todd & Laura	19580 Sea St.	SWAF - 12' Fill Dirt, 4'6" Retaining wall, 1'6" T x 10'L Retaining wall, 4'W x 40'L Dock, 6'W x 6'L Jet-Ski Lift, 10'W x 10'L Shorestation.	04/01/2021 \$400.00 Adjacent Landowner (Conditional)
Russell, Gary & Leslie	71 Pelican Dr.	SWAF - Install 12'W x 12'L Shorestation.	04/07/2021 \$50.00

Permits to Construct
Approved by Land Administration Department
4/23/2021 –Midway Lake

<u>Name</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Permit & Purpose</u>	<u>Date Approved & Fee</u>
Maguire, Mike & Patti	33 Hagadone Drive	Trim dead branches from several trees.	04/12/2021
Payne, Forest	55 Stange	Removal of bushes	04/01/2021

Permits to Construct Approved by Land Administration Department 4/23/2021 – Plum Creek Lake			
<u>Name</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Permit & Purpose</u>	<u>Date Approved & Fee</u>
Lundgren, Mary & Scott	67 Plum Creek Canyon Trail	ECS - Bank Stabilization (Riprap) for 90 linear feet of the shoreline.	04/09/2021
Embury, Stuart	2 Plum Creek Canyon Dr. 12B	Removal of dead Pine Tree.	03/29/2021

WORK ORDER/PURCHASE REQUISITION SUMMARY: Devin Brundage and staff presented an overview of the following:

- a. Work Order No. 2107181 – Kingsley Hydro Hydrogen Sulfide Removal (\$67,323.00)
- b. Work Order No. 107434 – Underground Cable Locator (\$5,191.00)
- c. Work Order No. 107433 – Robb Ranch Land Purchase

2021 BUDGET REVISION: Rochelle Jurgens presented Revision #1 to the Hydro Division Budget as follows:

	<u>Current Budget</u>	<u>Proposed Budget</u>	<u>Difference</u>
<u>Gothenburg Capital</u>			
Underground Locator	\$0	\$5,200	\$5,200

POWER AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE (4/5/21): Devin Brundage provided a summary of the subcommittee meeting held on April 5, 2021.

LAND AND RECREATION COMMITTEE (4/22/21): Mike Drain gave an overview of the items the subcommittee took action on at their recent meeting:

- a. Request for Replat – 5 Dry Bay, Johnson Lake: The subcommittee voted to recommend Board approval of a replat as requested by the customer, subject to neighbor and area association consent.
- b. Lease Agreement Modification Request – W.S. David, LLC at Jeffrey Lake Dam: The subcommittee voted to recommend Board approval of the modifications to the Lease Agreement as presented, subject to final legal review.
- c. Adjacent Landowner Agreement – Section 19, Township 9, Range 23, Dawson County: The subcommittee voted to recommend Board approval of the agreement as presented, subject to final legal review.

BID TAB – TUCKPOINT AND RESTORATION (JEFFREY HYDRO, JOHNSON #1 AND JOHNSON #2): Anton Hasebrook presented the sole bid received from McGill Restoration of Omaha, NE in the amount of \$382,843.00, exceeding the engineer’s estimate of \$100,000.00. He has tasked Civil Engineer, McKinley Harm, with expanding the search for contractors and he will report additional information to the Board at a later date.

BID TAB – PENSTOCK PAINTING: Anton Hasebrook presented bids from the following: WS Bunch Co. (\$231,005.00), Allen Blasting & Coating, Inc. (\$186,867.00), ABHE & Svoboda, Inc. (\$398,810.00), and Wilkinson/McGill Restoration (\$188,465.00). Staff will recommend accepting the low bid from Allen Blasting & Coating, Inc.

A break was taken at 9:51 a.m. The meeting resumed at 10:10 a.m.

2020 YEAR-END FINANCIALS: Rochelle Jurgens presented a review of year-end financial results for 2020 related to revenues, expenses, benefits, and fund balances.

2020 FINANCIAL AUDIT REPORT – BKD, LLP: Chris Lindner and Abby Dobson of BKD, LLP were present to review the Audit Report and Financial Statements and Disclosures for the year ending December 31, 2020 with the board.

Board President Rowe exited the meeting at 11:01 a.m. Board Vice President Mueller conducted the remainder of the meeting in Rowe's absence.

DISTRICT INTEGRATION STUDY UPDATE: Devin Brundage reported that the Districts are working with PSE to create an anonymous survey to gather input, ideas and expectations for Phase II of the integration study from both boards. A meeting will be held on May 20, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. at Dawson Public Power's office where Neal Seuss from Loup Public Power District will provide insight to the directors regarding their experience as a utility that has generation, distribution and water resources.

LEGISLATION: Jeff Buettner stated it is likely the legislature will recess on May 20, 2021, then resume in the fall for a special session on redistricting. An updated legislative watch list was distributed and reviewed.

BOARD COMMENTS: Director Dudley Nelson circulated a Central District water bill he found from 1939 showing a cost of \$1.25 per acre.

LEGAL UPDATE: Charles Brewster and Jim Brown attended a hearing on the Dawson County tax protest on April 15, 2021. The Dawson County Board of Commissioners denied the protest, so he will appeal the matter to TERC. He was able to make contact with someone at TERC who indicated they expect some progress on the pending tax appeal in the next few months. He has spent the remainder of his time working on real estate acquisition matters.

MANAGEMENT REPORTS:

- a. Cory Steinke reported the closing on the Robb Ranch property acquisition is scheduled for April 26, 2021. He displayed photos of concrete repairs around the Jeffrey return, the south side of Jeffrey Lake, and an excavator driving along the perimeter of the lake. He presented a graph of the historical generation along the Supply Canal hydros since 1941 and discussed recent trends in the District's hydropower production.
- b. Mike Drain reported that FERC issued an additional request for information regarding the District's boundary review application and he will have 90 days to file a response.

A break for lunch was taken at 11:42 a.m.

Director Soneson exited the meeting at 12:06 p.m.

The meeting resumed at 12:14 p.m.

- c. Tyler Thulin reported Lake McConaughy is at elevation 3,249.1, 1,300,000 acre feet, and 74.6% capacity. Inflows to Lake McConaughy are 850 cfs and outflows are 400 cfs. The USFW ended additional releases for the environmental account on April 14, 2021. Hydrocycling agreement restrictions will continue through the end of April. Fluctuations at Johnson Lake resulting from this activity will subside beginning in May. Snowpack is 89%-113% of the average peak. Crews have been clearing brush and shrubs from near the toe of the Elwood Dam in preparation of further repairs later this fall.
- d. Scott Dicke reported the canals are currently filling and water should be down to the Phelps Main Canal by next week. He displayed photos of crews working on new turnout connections, pipelines and road culverts. His initial conversations with landowners who would be affected by a new siphon from Johnson Lake to Elwood Reservoir have been positive.

- e. Jeff Buettner conducted a tour of the District yesterday for staff and directors from Dawson Public Power District. He announced that Kyle Shepherd was selected as a new member of the NWRA board. Shepherd was also nominated chairman of the annual NSIA/NWRA joint meeting. He reported that Alex Linden created a digital employee newsletter to improve communications with Central staff.
- f. Eric Hixson stated a preliminary agreement has been reached with NPPD regarding the transmission tariff for the Jeffrey/J-1/J-2 substations.
- g. Rochelle Jurgens received notice that Central did not qualify for the COVID paid leave reimbursement provisions based on being a governmental entity. The District will be remitting federal payroll taxes of approximately \$13,000.
- h. Alex Linden attended the annual Water Jamboree at Harlan County Reservoir this week.
- i. Devin Brundage reported on continuing work with PSE on the integration study and ongoing discussions with NDNR and others regarding the potential Elwood pipeline project.

PERSONNEL: Devin Brundage reported Cory Steinke and Doug Max have hired two new general maintenance employees in Gothenburg. Scott Dicke reported on two new irrigation service specialists in Holdrege. Eric Hixson reported on hiring of a new communications technician, and the ongoing work towards hiring one more.

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.

ADJOURNMENT: It was moved by Director R. Olson and seconded by Director Knoerzer to adjourn the meeting at 12:40 PM. Upon voting on the motion, the following Directors voted therefore: Bogle, Boyle, Dahlgren, Knoerzer, Mueller, David Nelson, Dudley Nelson, R. Olson, and Shepherd. Absent were: S. Olson, Rowe and Soneson. None voted no and the motion was declared carried.

MINUTES OF REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING OF THE
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MAY 3, 2021 – 9:00 A.M.

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A postcard was mailed to each Director on April 14, 2021 giving the time, date, and place of this meeting.

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
	Dudley L. Nelson	Gordon N. Soneson

The following Director was absent: Geoffrey K. Bogle

Also present were the following:

Devin M. Brundage, General Manager	Tyler Thulin, Civil Engineer
Eric R. Hixson, Electrical Project Ops. Mgr.	Duane Cernousek, Purchasing Agent
Mike A. Drain, Nat. Resources & Compliance Mgr.	Alex Linden, Public Relations Specialist
Cory A. Steinke, Hydraulic Project Ops. Mgr.	Charles Brewster, Legal Counsel
Scott Dicke, Irrigation & Water Services Mgr.	Emily Anderson, Assistant Secretary
Jeff J. Buettner, Govt & Public Relations Mgr.	

Others present were:

John Thorburn, Tri-Basin NRD

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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 a.m. the Board President announced that the meeting was open for business and proceeded with roll call.

PUBLIC INPUT: John Thorburn reported students from 10 schools participated in the annual Water Jamboree held April 21-22, 2021 at the Harlan County Reservoir. Tri-Basin distributed trees for Arbor Day and chemigation applications are due by the end of May.

CONSENT AGENDA: Devin Brundage provided an overview of the items on the Consent Agenda which were presented and discussed at the April 23, 2021 Committee Meeting of the Board.

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

- **Approval of Minutes of Regular Business Meeting of the Board of Directors held April 5, 2021**
- **Approval of Minutes of Committee Meeting of the Board of Directors held April 23, 2021**
- **Approval of the May Disbursements:**

Hydro Division:

Check #s 64157 & 64408-VOID; 64547 through 64750 and 8900306 through 8900327 (Accounts Payable) \$2,627,884.80

\$488,088.81

Payroll

Kingsley Division:

Check #s 3312 through 3317 (Accounts Payable) \$56,875.91

J-2 Regulating Reservoir Construction Fund:

NONE NONE

Glendo Division:

NONE NONE

Flex Spending Account:

Check # 7755754 \$38.03

- **Approval of Work Order No. 2107181 – Kingsley Hydro Hydrogen Sulfide Removal (\$67,323.00)**
- **Approval of Request for Replat of 5 Dry Bay, Johnson Lake, as requested by the customer, and subject to the neighbor’s and area associations’ consent**
- **Approval of Modifications to the Lease Agreement with W.S. David, LLC (reduce acres and rental fee)**
- **Approval of the Adjacent Landowner Agreement – Section 19, Township 9, Range 23, Dawson County**
- **Approval of Bid from Allen Blasting & Coating, Inc. for Penstock Painting in the amount of \$186,867.00**

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

2021 BUDGET REVISION: Eric Hixson presented revision #1 to the 2021 Budget:

	<u>Current Budget</u>	<u>Proposed Budget</u>	<u>Difference</u>
<u>Gothenburg Capital</u>			
Underground Locator	\$0	\$5,200	\$5,200
<u>Kingsley Hydro Capital</u>			
Diesel Storage Tank	\$10,000	\$18,000	\$8,000

It was moved by Director Dahlgren and seconded by Director Dudley Nelson to approve the 2021 Budget Revision as presented. Upon voting on the motion, the following Directors voted therefore: Boyle, Dahlgren, Knoerzer, Mueller, David Nelson, Dudley Nelson, R. Olson, S. Olson, Rowe, Shepherd, and Soneson. Absent: Bogle. None voted no and the motion was declared carried.

WORK ORDER/PURCHASE REQUISITION SUMMARY: Devin Brundage presented the following:

- a. Work Order No. 107434 – Underground Cable Locator (\$5,191.00)
- b. Work Order No. 2107182 – Kingsley Hydro Diesel Storage Tank (\$17,358.00)
- c. Work Order No. 107433 – Robb Ranch Land Purchase (\$1,544,078.00)
- d. Purchase Requisition No. 7499 – Robb Ranch Land Purchase (\$1,540,125.52)

It was moved by Director Mueller and seconded by Director S. Olson to approve Work Order Nos. 107434, 2107182 and 107433, and Purchase Requisition No. 7499 as presented. Upon voting on the motion, the following Directors voted therefore: Boyle, Dahlgren, Knoerzer, Mueller, David Nelson, Dudley Nelson, R. Olson, S. Olson, Rowe, Shepherd, and Soneson. Absent: Bogle. None voted no and the motion was declared carried.

RESCIND VEHICLE BID GROUP 21-4: Duane Cerousek was notified by Janssen & Sons that Ford is no longer accepting orders for 2021 trucks. They are not yet accepting orders for 2022 models and this appears to be the case for all dealerships that submitted a bid earlier this year. He stated staff recommends rescinding the bid awarded to Janssen & Sons Ford for two ¾ ton trucks. He will periodically check area dealerships for trucks that might closely meet he specs and potentially seek bids again later in 2021.

It was moved by Director R. Olson and seconded by Director Knoerzer to approve the Notice to Rescind Award of Bid Group 21-4 as presented. Upon voting on the motion, the following Directors voted therefore: Boyle, Dahlgren, Knoerzer, Mueller, David Nelson, Dudley Nelson, R. Olson, S. Olson, Rowe, Shepherd, and Soneson. Absent: Bogle. None voted no and the motion was declared carried.

CONTRACT CHANGE ORDER NO 1, CONTRACT NO. 0-700, GROUP NO. 21-6 – ALLEN BLASTING & COATING, INC. FOR ADDITION OF J-1 PENSTOCK TO THE JEFFREY PENSTOCK PAINTING PROJECT (\$198,512.00): **It was moved by Director Dudley Nelson and seconded by Director Soneson to approve Contract Change Order No. 1 to the Contract with Allen Blasting & Coating, Inc. in the amount of \$198,512.00. Upon voting on the motion, the following Directors voted therefore: Boyle, Dahlgren, Knoerzer, Mueller, David Nelson, Dudley Nelson, R. Olson, S. Olson, Rowe, Shepherd, and Soneson. Absent: Bogle. None voted no and the motion was declared carried.**

ELWOOD RESERVOIR PROJECTS: Cory Steinke updated the Board on the seepage management project at Elwood Reservoir. Staff, in consultation with RJH Engineering, has analyzed results of models and surveys and will recommend installing weighted filter blankets and drains to cover most of the length of the dam to ensure adequate safety factors for the manner in which the reservoir is operated now and in the future. Scott Dicke and Tyler Thulin briefed the Board on the potential project to update the aging infrastructure that delivers water from Johnson Lake to Elwood Reservoir.

LEGISLATION: Jeff Buettner presented an update of the bills he continues to follow. He reported that Governor Ricketts signed the budget bill that includes provisions for property tax relief.

DISTRICT INTEGRATION STUDY UPDATE: Devin Brundage reported Phase 2 of the study has commenced. An anonymous survey was designed to capture any additional topics and options the Directors representing Dawson PPD and Central have identified as important to be addressed in this phase. The survey is available by paper or an electronic format and will help steer the direction of the Phase 2 efforts.

WORKSHOPS, SEMINARS AND CONFERENCES: None.

PERSONNEL: None.

DIRECTORS' ATTENDANCE: It was moved by Director Dahlgren and seconded by Director Knoerzer to excuse the absence of Geoffrey K. Bogle. Upon voting on the motion, the following Directors voted therefore: Boyle, Dahlgren, Knoerzer, Mueller, David Nelson, Dudley Nelson, R. Olson, S. Olson, Rowe, Shepherd, and Soneson. Absent: Bogle. None voted no and the motion was declared carried.

BOARD COMMENTS: Director S. Olson asked for an update on the Phillips Canyon Boat Ramp project and Mike Drain responded he is working on the management agreement with the Nebraska Game and Parks Division.

Director Dahlgren exited the meeting at 9:50 a.m.

LEGAL UPDATE: Charles Brewster had nothing new to report.

MANAGEMENT REPORTS: The following management reports were presented:

- a. Cory Steinke met with prospective bidders for the Morning Glory painting project. He expects to receive bids in June, with the project to commence as early as July. The closing on the real estate purchase of Robb Ranch occurred earlier this week.
- b. Mike Drain has been busy with various FERC filings.
- c. Tyler Thulin reported Lake McConaughy is at elevation 3,249.7, 1,316,100 acre feet, and 75.5% capacity. Inflows to Lake McConaughy are 825 cfs, and outflows have decreased slightly to 375 cfs.
- d. Scott Dicke stated the canals are filling and water has reached the Axtell area on the Phelps Canal. Several irrigators received delivery of water last week for chemigation.
- e. Jeff Buettner is working to find a date to hold a legislative reception in Lincoln in 2022. He plans to attend a gathering in Lincoln tomorrow evening to meet with members of the legislature.
- f. Eric Hixson reported on the hiring of a new communications technician for the Gothenburg location.
- g. Duane Cernousek requested the Directors submit their apparel order forms by Friday, May 7, 2021.

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

ATTEST:

THE CENTRAL NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER
AND IRRIGATION DISTRICT

Robert B. Dahlgren, Secretary

By _____
David L. Rowe, President