# CUMING COUNTY PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT West Point, Nebraska

# Regular Meeting April 12, 2023

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of Cuming County Public Power District was held at the meeting room in the District Office, 500 South Main Street, West Point, Nebraska on the 12th day of April 2023 commencing at 9:00 o'clock a.m.

Present were: President Strehle; Members: Directors Kaup, Kluthe, Mostek, Petersen and staff members Doggett, Haase, Haber and McWhorter. Dennis Weiler was excused from the meeting.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by publications attached to these minutes. Notice of this meeting was simultaneously given to all members of the Board of Directors and acknowledgment of receipt of notice and the agenda confirmed at this meeting.

Availability of the agenda was communicated in the advance notice and in the notice to the members of the Board of Directors. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

President Strehle publicly stated to all in attendance that a current copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was available for review and indicated the location of such copy posted in the entrance to the meeting room where meetings are normally held.

# Acceptance of Consent Agenda Items:

Suggestion Box Contents: None
Call to Order
Roll Call
Agenda as Amended - Attached
Minutes of the Previous Meeting:
Treasurer's Report - Attached - All questions were addressed.

Financial & Statistical Report - Attached

Safety Committee Report:

Operating Safety Committee Minutes (Attached) All questions were addressed.

Outage Reports - March (Attached)

Staff Reports: (Haase, Haber) - (Attached)

(1) After discussion a motion was made by Director Kluthe and seconded by Director Mostek to accept Excused absence for Dennis Weiler.

A roll call was as follows:

Mostek	Yes	Strehle	Yes
Kaup	Yes	Weiler	Excused
Kluthe	Yes	Petersen	Yes

Motion carried (5-0).

(2) After discussion a motion was made by Director Kluthe and seconded by Director Kaup to accept the consent agenda items as presented.

A roll call was as follows:

Mostek	Yes	Strehle	Yes
Kaup	Yes	Weiler	Excused
Kluthe	Yes	Petersen	Yes

Motion carried (5-0).

(3) After discussion a motion was made by Director Kluthe and seconded by Director Petersen to accept Policy 331 -Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion as reviewed.

A roll call was as follows:

Mostek	Yes	Weiler	Excused
Kaup	Yes	Strehle	Yes
Kluthe	Yes	Petersen	Yes

Motion carried (5-0).

(4) After discussion a motion was made by Director Kaup and seconded by Director Mostek to accept Policy 220A -Uniforms as reviewed.

A roll call was as follows:

Mostek	Yes	Weiler	Excused
Kaup	Yes	Strehle	Yes
Kluthe	Yes	Petersen	Yes

Motion carried (5-0).

# Directors' Expense and Reports

Director expenses were presented.

Discussion was held on how well the wind tower has been running since it was fixed.

Federated met with CFO Kari Haase and Monte Draper in IT earlier in the week. Discussion was held on Cyber Security and making sure all steps are taken to attempt to prevent a cyberattack.

Director Strehle was impressed with the line loss number. Chet McWhorter and Scott Haber stated the load and balance were good these past months and agree the number looks great. After the meeting it was noted the ½ month production from Bluestem was not included in purchased power. That was added in and the number moved to normal. Chet emailed the directors after the meeting.

Director Strehle asked about Line 15 on the balance sheet and would like to understand the change from this year to last year. CFO Kari Haase discussed how we only have up to \$1 million in pledged securities and FDIC insurance. January is the biggest month for income due to initial charges for irrigation. In the past we have pushed that limit, but moving forward we are more apt to move funds to CFC to maximize interest income. There is a wire fee when moving the money, but the interest outweighs the cost.

## Meeting Updates

## NEG&T Meeting

Director Mostek attended the Finance meeting the night before and the full meeting the next day.

# Director Assignments

NRECA Legislative Conference is in Washington April  $17^{\rm th}-19^{\rm th}$ . Director Strehle and Petersen will attend the conference with General Manager McWhorter.

NREA Quarterly Board and Committee meeting will be held in Norfolk May  $3^{\rm rd}-4^{\rm th}$ . Director Strehle and General Manager McWhorter will attend the meeting.

CFC Forum was discussed; it will be held in Seattle. General Manager McWhorter stated the agenda looks great for this meeting. They will look into the travel cost before they make a decision.

# Managers Expense & Report

Chet McWhorter reported his expenses.

#### NPPD Board

There are two vacancies on the NPPD Board, and one is from our area. Govern Pillen will be appointing new directors. Director Kluthe is looking at applying for the position. Discussion was held on whether Kluthe could be apart of both boards. McWhorter will investigate the matter if Kluthe is elected on the NPPD board.

#### **PURPA**

Webinar was held on March  $15^{\text{th}}$  where it was discussed what the waiver process would entail and what advantages/disadvantages are for considering the process. It was determined that NPPD will cover any legal fees associated with the filing.

## Supply Chain

Long lead times have not changed but Cuming County is not at the point where we are unable to provide services to new customers or upgrades. Dan Payton from Okonite has offered to come to a board meeting.

## NPPD Integrated Resource Plan

The plan is a roadmap that identifies potential plans for NPPD to meet future energy and demand requirements while considering the associated risks and benefits to customers. This plan is prepared every five years. McWhorter shared the plan details with the board.

# Old Business

No old Business to report.

# New Business

## Distributed Generation Report

The report was discussed and reviewed.

## Policy 220- A Uniforms

Policy was discussed and reviewed.

# Policy 331 - Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion

Policy was discussed and reviewed.

The next regular meeting will be held Tuesday May 10th, 2023, at 9:00 am.

Director Kluthe will hold a discussion on Renewables at Lunch.

Motions were read by Doggett.

# ITEMS FOR FUTURE BOARD MEETINGS:

First Quarter Recap

The motion was made at 10:59 am to adjourn the meeting by director Petersen and seconded by director Kaup.

I the undersigned, Secretary for the Board of Directors of Cuming County Public Power District hereby certify that all of the subjects included in the foregoing proceedings are contained in the agenda for the meeting, kept continually current and available for public inspection at the District Office, 500 South Main Street, West Point, Nebraska; that subjects were contained in said agenda for at least twenty-four hours prior to said meeting; that said minutes were in written form and available for inspection within ten working days and prior to the next meeting of said body.

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	Secretary