

CUMING COUNTY PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT  
West Point, Nebraska

Regular Meeting December 13, 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 13th day of December 2023 commencing at 9:00 o'clock a.m.

Present were: President Strehle; Members: Directors Petersen, Kaup, Kluthe, Mostek, Arduser and staff members Doggett, Haase, Haber and McWhorter.

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 the meeting was being 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 - November (Attached)

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

- (1) After discussion, a motion was made by Director Kluthe and seconded by Director Mostek **to accept the consent agenda items as presented.**

After discussion, a roll call vote was as follows:

Petersen	Yes	Mostek	Yes
Kaup	Yes	Strehle	Yes
Kluthe	Yes	Arduser	Yes

Motion carried (6-0).

- (2) After discussion, a motion was made by Director Kluthe and seconded by Director Kaup **to accept Policy 409 - Board Per Diem and Expense, with changes as presented.**

After discussion, a roll call vote was as follows:

Petersen	Yes	Mostek	Yes
Kaup	Yes	Strehle	Yes
Kluthe	Yes	Arduser	Yes

Motion carried (6-0).

- (3) After discussion, a motion was made by Director Mostek and seconded by Director Petersen **to accept the Expense and Capital Budget for 2024, as presented.**

After discussion, a roll call vote was as follows:

Petersen	Yes	Mostek	Yes
Kaup	Yes	Strehle	Yes
Kluthe	Yes	Arduser	Yes

Motion carried (6-0).

- (4) After discussion, a motion was made by Director Petersen and seconded by Director Arduser **to accept Policy 511 - Net Metering up to 25kw, with changes as presented.**

After discussion, a roll call vote was as follows:

Petersen	Yes	Mostek	Yes
Kaup	Yes	Strehle	Yes
Kluthe	Yes	Arduser	Yes

Motion carried (6-0).

- (5) After discussion, a motion was made by Director Kluthe and seconded by Director Mostek **to accept By-Laws Article 3 - Board Meetings as reviewed.**

After discussion, a roll call vote was as follows:

Petersen	Yes	Mostek	Yes
Kaup	Yes	Strehle	Yes
Kluthe	Yes	Arduser	Yes

Motion carried (6-0).

- (6) After discussion, a motion was made by Director Petersen and seconded by Director Kaup **to accept By-Laws Article 4 - Miscellaneous as reviewed.**

After discussion, a roll call vote was as follows:

Petersen	Yes	Mostek	Yes
Kaup	Yes	Strehle	Yes
Kluthe	Yes	Arduser	Yes

Motion carried (6-0).

- (7) After discussion, a motion was made by Director Mostek and seconded by Director Kluthe **to accept Petersen as the NRECA Voting Delegate and Arduser as the alternate. For the NRTC Arduser was voted the Delegate and Petersen as the alternate.**

After discussion, a roll call vote was as follows:

Petersen	Yes	Mostek	Yes
Kaup	Yes	Strehle	Yes
Kluthe	Yes	Arduser	Yes

Motion carried (6-0).

### **Directors' Expense and Reports**

Director expenses were presented.

Director Mostek noticed that Danny Kluthe was not in the November minutes. Kinzey will update the minutes and bring them to the January board meeting. Mostek inquired about the blinks this last weekend. Scott Haber said it was very windy and a lineman drove the line that was reported. Nothing was found but that transmission line will continue to be monitored.

Director Kaup inquired about when the work would get done on the post poles that were hit by a car. Scott Haber will get a hold of Tony Kaup and will get it taken care of soon.

Discussion was held on the investment ladder document.

## **Meeting Updates**

### **NREA Annual Meeting**

Director Arduser and Mostek took a director class and attended the meeting in Kearney. General Manager McWhorter and directors Strehle, Kaup and Kluthe attended the meeting as well. During the week discussions were held on NPPD and contract extension. Wednesday was the committee meetings and Thursday was the general session with great speakers.

### **NEG&T Meeting**

Director Mostek attended the meeting with General Manager McWhorter. The minutes from the meeting were shown in the board book and discussion followed on a couple items.

### **NPPD Board Meeting**

The board meeting will be held December 14<sup>th</sup>, 2023. Director Strehle, Mostek and Kaup will attend the meeting.

## **Managers Expense & Report**

Chet McWhorter reported his expenses.

### **Policy 409**

The policy was tabled last month. The language has been updated to reflect the method we are using regarding our board pay. The policy will be voted on later in the meeting.

### **Budget**

The budget is shown in the board book. McWhorter spoke about how hard and what great work Kari Haase does with the budget every year. She will present her numbers to the board later in the meeting.

## **Public Comment**

None was given

## **Old Business**

### **Policy 409 – Board Per Diem and Expenses**

Policy was presented with changes and discussed.

## **New Business**

### **2023 Capital & Expense Budget**

Kari Haase presented the board members with the Capital and Expense Budget for 2024. The board approved the 2024 budget.

### **Policy 511 – Net Metering up to 25 kw**

Policy was presented with changes and discussed.

**By - Laws Article 3 - Board Meetings**

By Law was discussed and reviewed

**By - Laws Article 4 - Miscellaneous**

By Law was discussed and reviewed.

The board approved that Cuming County PPD will send both campers, Ian Schiller and Grace Hunzeker, to Washington DC for the NREA Youth Tour.

NRECA Governance Talk Video on Parliamentary Procedures was watched and discussed.

Director Kluthe left the meeting at 11:06 am.

The next regular meeting will be held Friday January 12th, 2023 at 9:00 am.

During lunch McWhorter will discuss the speakers for the NREA Annual Meeting.

Motions were read by Doggett.

**ITEMS FOR FUTURE BOARD MEETINGS:**

Write-Off of Uncollectible

The motion was made at 11:13 a.m. to adjourn the meeting by Director Kaup and seconded by Director Arduser.

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