

CUMING COUNTY PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT
West Point, Nebraska

Regular Meeting July 7th, 2022

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 7th day of July 2022 commencing at 9:00 o'clock a.m.

Present were President Strehle; Members: Directors Kaup, Kluthe, Mostek, Weiler, Petersen and staff members Doggett, Haber, Haase and McWhorter. Guest in attendance Darin Bloomquist from NE G&T and Levi Schiller.

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 - June (Attached)

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

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

A roll call was as follows:

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

Motion carried (6-0).

- (2) After discussion a motion was made by Director Mostek and seconded by Director Petersen **to accept the Sub 9 agreement with Stanton County PPD.**

A roll call was as follows:

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

Motion carried (6-0).

- (3) After discussion a motion was made by Director Kluthe and seconded by Director Kaup **to accept Policy 309 - Ethics and Conflicts of Interest in Relationship with Vendors, as reviewed.**

A roll call was as follows:

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

Motion carried (6-0).

- (4) After discussion a motion was made by Director Petersen and seconded by Director Mostek **to accept Policy 310 - Ethics and Conflicts of Interest in Outside business and related activities, as reviewed.**

A roll call was as follows:

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

Motion carried (6-0).

- (5) After discussion a motion was made by Director Kaup and seconded by Director Weiler **to accept Policy 327 - Cellular/Smart Phone Use, as reviewed.**

A roll call was as follows:

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

Motion carried (6-0).

- (6) After discussion a motion was made by Director Weiler and seconded by Director Mostek **to accept Policy 329 - Social Media, as reviewed.**

A roll call was as follows:

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

Motion carried (6-0).

- (7) After discussion a motion was made by Director Petersen and seconded by Director Kluthe **to enter into Executive Session at 11:12 am, for the protection of the public interest.**

A roll call was as follows:

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

Motion carried (6-0).

President repeated the board will go into executive session to discuss proprietary issues.

The board came out of executive session at 11:22 a.m.

Directors' Expense and Reports

Directors reported their expenses.

Director Kaup asked about why Federated will not help out a customer whose breaker panel was ruined after a line was reenergized. General Manager McWhorter stated that the claim was resubmitted but our work at the site was done correctly. Director Kaup still thinks that since CCPPD was there working, someone needs to help cover the cost to fix the breaker box. Kaup asked that more information be brought to the next meeting.

Director Mostek attended NEG&T meeting with General Manager McWhorter. Most of the discussion was held on NEG&T managers salary.

Director Assignments

Director Strehle, general Manager McWhorter and Operations Manager Scott Haber will attend NREA Quarterly board meeting in Scottsbluff.

Director Strehle will go to the Cooper Tour in July.

Discussion was held on who would attend the NRECA Regional Meeting. Directors Mostek, Kluth, Petersen will be attending with their wives. Director Strehle is on the board for NRECA and will also be attending.

Public Comment

None was given

Managers Expense & Report

McWhorter presented his expenses for the month.

NREA Managers Meeting

The meeting was held at St. Paul and hosted by Howard Greely PPD. Tim Pospisol from NPPD discussed Cyber Security. Wesco provided an update on the Supply Chain issues. Dave Jarecke provided information on the service territory. Discussion was also held on NREA Mutual Aid Agreement and ACRE program was discussed as well.

NREA Special Meeting

The meeting was held on the NREA Manager Search. It was decided that Rick Nelson will serve as the General Manager for the next two years.

Solar

Solar is still doing well at CCPPD. CCPPD continues to receive applications and questions regarding solar from customers.

Call Center

McWhorter stated that CCPPD is working with NPPD and AT&T to get our phones reconfigured. Once the work is done, CCPPD will meet with NPPD to go over the options and messages we will want for our customers.

Work Plan

JEO is working on modeling our system to create the most accurate planning going forward. Will meet in July sometime to go over the findings and pinpoint projects.

Load Control

CCPPD continues to have issues with Verizon sending out group texts to irrigators. Verizon put a limitation on how large texting groups can be. CCPPD is in a queue for the new product. Monte continues to work to remedy this issue.

Supply Chain

CCPPD is one of many Power Districts that is seeing long lead times for critical items. Transformers have the biggest backlog. ABB is seeing twice as many orders every day. CCPPD continues to order as needed and ordering ahead for future projects.

Old Business

Sub 9 Agreement with Stanton PPD

McWhorter held a discussion on why a new agreement was needed and what would change. The board agreed on the new agreement and a motion was passed.

New Business

Levi Schiller attended Washington D.C. with the NREA Youth tour. He gave the board a report on his experience during that week. Levi left the meeting at 9:30 am.

Darin Blomquist gave a report on the NEG&T. Darin left the meeting at 10:10 am.

Policy 309 - Ethics and Conflict of Interest in Relationship with Vendors.

Policy was discussed and reviewed.

Policy 310 - Ethics and Conflicts of Interest in Outside Business and related activities.

Policy was discussed and reviewed.

Policy 327 - Cellular/Smart Phone

Policy was discussed and reviewed.

Policy 329 - Social Media

Policy was discussed and reviewed.

The next regular meeting will be held August 8th, 2022, at 9:00 a.m.

Motions were read by Doggett.

ITEMS FOR FUTURE BOARD MEETINGS:

2021 KRTA Statistical Comparison
GM Performance Appraisal Due at August Meeting

Director Kluthe will be giving a report of the Fleet during the lunch break.

The motion was made at 11:28 am to adjourn the meeting by director Weiler and seconded by director Kluthe.

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