

CUMING COUNTY PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT  
West Point, Nebraska

Regular Meeting March 20, 2019

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 20th day of March 2019 commencing at 9:00 o'clock a.m.

Present were: President Strehle; Members: Directors Kaup, Kluthe, Mostek, Weiler, Schneider, and staff members Doggett, Haase, Haber and McWhorter. Guest in attendance Matt Robinette, from Bluestem and Ron Freeman, from Freeman & Riggs.

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 - February (Attached)

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

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

After discussion, a roll call vote was as follows:

Schneider	Yes	Mostek	Yes
Kaup	Yes	Strehle	Yes
Kluthe	Yes	Weiler	Yes

Motion carried (6-0).

- (2) After discussion, a motion was made by Director Kluthe and seconded by Director Schneider **to accept the 2018 Audit as presented by Ron Freeman.**

After discussion, a roll call vote was as follows:

Schneider	Yes	Mostek	Yes
Kaup	Yes	Strehle	Yes
Kluthe	Yes	Weiler	Yes

Motion carried (6-0).

- (3) After discussion, a motion was made by Director Kluthe and seconded by Director Schneider **to adopt the CoBank Resolution 2019-01.**

After discussion, a roll call vote was as follows:

Schneider	Yes	Mostek	Yes
Kaup	Yes	Strehle	Yes
Kluthe	Yes	Weiler	Yes

Motion carried (6-0).

- (4) After discussion, a motion was made by Director Mostek and seconded by Director Kluthe **to enter into Executive Session at 9:50 am to discuss proprietary/ confidential issues.**

After discussion, a roll call vote was as follows:

Schneider	Yes	Mostek	Yes
Kaup	Yes	Strehle	Yes
Kluthe	Yes	Weiler	Yes

Motion carried (6-0).

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

The board came out of executive session at 10:15 am.

- (5) After discussion, a motion was made by Director Schneider and seconded by Director Kaup **to accept PPA Pricing from BlueStem.**

After discussion, a roll call vote was as follows:

Schneider	Yes	Mostek	Yes
Kaup	Yes	Strehle	Yes
Kluthe	Yes	Weiler	Yes

Motion carried (6-0).

- (6) After discussion, a motion was made by Director Mostek and seconded by Director Weiler **to accept Policy 116 - Right to Know as reviewed.**

After discussion, a roll call vote was as follows:

Schneider	Yes	Mostek	Yes
Kaup	Yes	Strehle	Yes
Kluthe	Yes	Weiler	Yes

Motion carried (6-0).

- (7) After discussion, a motion was made by Director Schneider and seconded by Director Kluthe **to accept Policy 323A - Cyber Security as reviewed.**

After discussion, a roll call vote was as follows:

Schneider	Yes	Mostek	Yes
Kaup	Yes	Strehle	Yes
Kluthe	Yes	Weiler	Yes

Motion carried (6-0).

**Ron entered the meeting at 9:05am**

**Public Comment**

None was given

## **Directors' Expense and Reports**

Director expenses were presented.

Director Strehle asked about why there were so many close calls. General Manager McWhorter did say there was more than normal, but no one was hurt. CCPPD will continue to spread the word and educate the community.

## **Meeting Updates**

### **NREA Annual Meeting**

General Manager McWhorter and directors Strehle and Schneider attended the meeting in Orlando.

### **Co-Bank Regional Meeting**

General Manager McWhorter, directors Strehle, Kluthe, Schneider and Mostek attend the dinner reception Thursday night.

McWhorter, Strehle and Schneider attended the Friday meeting.

## **Director Assignments**

### **NEG&T in Columbus March 27<sup>th</sup>**

Director Mostek will be attending with General Manager McWhorter.

### **NRECA Legislative Conference in Washington D.C.**

**(April 28<sup>th</sup>- May 1st)**

Directors Strehle and Schneider will be attending with General Manager McWhorter.

## **Managers Expense & Report**

Chet McWhorter reported his expenses.

### **NPPD Board Meeting**

Discussion was held on repairs needed at Gerald Gentlemen. NPPD approved the expenditures needed to repair the unit.

Net metering in the legislation was the next topic. Customers, management, legislative and legal staff all recommended one way and the board went the other way. McWhorter stated that he will make a greater effort to communicate with the NPPD board members.

### **NREA Net Metering Task Force**

The task force met March 7<sup>th</sup> in Lincoln, to determine if there are areas that they all agree upon within the confines of consumer generation. They will be meeting further with hope of promoting legislation in 2020.

### **NE Legislature (LB 509)**

The bill was brought to Legislation and director Mostek attended in the hearing. Many of the NREA members are in opposition. Another study was recommended, and it will be drawn out another year.

### **New Business**

#### **2018 Audit**

Ron Freeman presented 2018 Audit

**Ron Left the meeting at 9:45am.**

### **Old Business**

#### **BlueStem**

PPA pricing was discussed in Executive Session.

The board approved the PPA pricing and a contract will be brought to the April Board meeting.

**Matt left the meeting at 10:15 am.**

#### **Lincoln Premium Poultry Project**

CCPPD has 3 chicken barns and one that is still in discussion. Of the 4 possible, three will need upgrades to existing.

#### **Line Extension Discussion**

General Manager McWhorter is still working on the contract and will bring it to the April board Meeting.

#### **CoBank Resolution**

The board approved the contract and resolution for Co-Bank. Due to the negative interest rate that CoBank can offer, CCPPD will be leasing the Bolt from them.

### **New Business**

#### **Policy 116 - Right to Know**

Policy was discussed and reviewed.

#### **Policy 323A - Cyber Security**

Policy was discussed and reviewed.

**Outage Report**

Scott Haber gave the unplanned outage report for 2018.

**The next regular meeting will be held Wednesday April 10th, 2019  
at 9:00 a.m.**

**Motions were read by Doggett.**

**ITEMS FOR FUTURE BOARD MEETINGS:**

Line Extension

BlueStem

The motion was made at 11:11 a.m. to adjourn the meeting by Director Weiler and seconded by Director Schneider.

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