

CUMING COUNTY PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT  
West Point, Nebraska

Regular Meeting October 11, 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 11th day of October, 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 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 - September (Attached)

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

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

After discussion, a roll call vote was as follows:

Mostek	Yes	Petersen	Yes
Kaup	Yes	Strehle	Yes
Kluthe	Yes		

Motion carried (5-0).

- (2) After discussion, a motion was made by Director Mostek and seconded by Director Petersen **to accept Resolution 2023-06 - Workers Compensation, 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 Kluthe and seconded by Director Kaup **to accept Resolution 2023-07 - Dennis Weiler, 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 Kluthe **to accept Policy 307 - Sexual Harassment, 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 Mostek and seconded by Director Kaup **to accept Policy 318 Anti-Harassment, 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).

**Rollie and Faye Bremerman, parents to Sonya Arduser, attended the meeting during the Oath of Office. They left the meeting at 9:14 am.**

### **New Business**

Tisha Wilson gave new director Sonya Arduser the Oath of Office.

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

Director expenses were presented.

Director Kaup stated that customer Louie Reppert is getting a bill in the mail when he should only be getting a bill online. Kinzey Doggett stated that after the meeting she would investigate why he was still getting a bill in the mail.

Director Kaup did inquire about why the Operation Round up is so small. Kinzey Doggett mentioned that when a new customer was signed up for a service, that customer was automatically put on. Customers were getting upset at knowing what the charge was for. Now when a customer signs up for a service, they have a choice to be part of Operation Round up or opt out.

Director Kaup asked General Manager McWhorter to investigate a battery again. Kaup stated that the battery is going well in Burt County. McWhorter will reach out and see what he can bring to a meeting.

### **NRECA Regional Meeting**

Directors Strehle, Kluthe, Mostek, Kaup and Petersen attended the meeting with General Manager McWhorter in Omaha Nebraska. It was a great meeting and nice to have it in Omaha. Speakers were good and the Resolutions were quick and easy.

## **Directors Assignments**

### **NREA Annual Meeting**

Leroy Mostek and Sonya Arduser will be attending the Director Class and the Annual Meeting. Directors Strehle, Kluthe and Kaup will attend the annual meeting in Kearney, NE.

## **Managers Expense & Report**

Chet McWhorter reported his expenses.

### **NEG&T Meeting**

The meeting was held in Columbus September 14<sup>th</sup>. The financial condition was discussed, along with NPPD's financial condition as well. Districts should see a nice PCA in 2025 as the result of NPPD's margins at the end of the year.

### **NPPD**

Discussion will continue with NPPD of the possibility of a new long-term power contract. NPPD will be at the office in early November for what they are calling a "listening tour". More details will be brought to the November Board Meeting.

### **SCADA**

Tisha and Sarah attended the Survalent conference and were impressed with the conference and the company. We are in the que for early 2024.

## **Public Comment**

None

## **Old Business**

None

## **New Business**

### **Resolution 2023-06: Workers Compensation**

Resolution was presented, discussed and approved.

### **Resolution 2023-07: Dennis Weiler**

Resolution was presented, discussed and approved.

### **Policy 307 - Sexual Harassment**

Policy was presented, discussed and approved.

### **Policy 318 - Anti Harassment**

Policy was presented, discussed and approved.

**NRECA Video - Maintaining By-Laws**

The board watched an NRECA video on maintaining the By-Laws. Discussion was held and it was decided to review the By-Laws at the board meetings.

**The next regular meeting will be held Thursday November 9th, 2023, at 9:00 am.**

**Motions were read by Doggett.**

**ITEMS FOR FUTURE BOARD MEETINGS:**

Third Quarter Report

Budget Narratives

The motion was made at 10:35 am 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