

CUMING COUNTY PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT
West Point, Nebraska

Regular Meeting October 9, 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 9th day of October, 2019 commencing at 9:00 o'clock a.m.

Present were: President Strehle; Members: Directors Schneider, Kaup, Kluthe, Mostek, Weiler and staff members Doggett, Haber, 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 Mostek **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 Mostek to **accept Policy 530-Large Power, 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).

- (3) After discussion, a motion was made by Director Schneider and seconded by Director Mostek to **accept Policy 530A - Large Power Seasonal Rate, 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).

- (4) After discussion, a motion was made by Director Kluthe and seconded by Director Schneider to **accept Policy 412 - General Fund Level and Investment of Cash Reserves, 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).

- (5) After discussion, a motion was made by Director Mostek and seconded by Director Kluthe **to accept Policy 307 Sexual Harassment, 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).

- (6) After discussion, a motion was made by Director Kluthe and seconded by Director Schneider **to accept Policy 318 Anti-Harassment, 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).

Dennis Weiler entered the meeting at 9:11 am.

Directors' Expense and Reports

Director expenses were presented.

Director Kluthe mentioned that there was static on his AM radio all around Dodge. General Manager McWhorter explained that issue is caused by the harmonic resonance from the water pumps. There is nothing that can be done about it on the District's system, but Scott Haber will have one of the linemen go check out the static and see if there is any other issues besides those already identified on the customer's equipment.

Director Kluthe asked why there was a renter fee for a Skid loader, when CCPPD has one. Scott Haber stated that a job was too big for the Skid loader CCPPD has. When it is time to look at the new one, they will be looking at a bigger one.

Director Strehle asked Kari about the bonding in her report. Kari explained that right now the interest rates are low, and it could be a good time to bond. She has been in touch with Cody, from D.A. Davidson, to see what he thought about the timing of bonding. He suggested that if CCPPD would bond now or wait a little bit either or would be fine. The board agrees that we need to bond and asked that Kari have everything ready to go, when it looks like a good time to bond. A special meeting can be called when the time to bond is right if the timing doesn't correlate with a regularly scheduled board meeting.

Director Strehle wanted the board members to know how great the Fun Run was. He wanted to congratulate the staff on how well the race was ran.

NRECA Regional Meeting

General Manager McWhorter and directors Mostek and Strehle attended the meeting. The biggest session and discussions were held on EV cars. They are looking at cars, trucks and even semi-trucks. There is a lot of money going into the research for the EV cars. The other session that the directors found interesting was the director compensation class. The session reflected on how to answer the questions of what a director makes from customers. The directors found it interesting how other directors would respond.

NEG&T

Director Mostek attended the NEG&T meeting back in September. The minutes were included in the board book. Mostek stated that CCPPD would be getting a PCA from NPPD and there is a good chance it will happen again next year as well. Discussion was also held on solar community projects, rate hearing and NPPD directors' elections.

Directors Assignments

NREA DC Fly-In

Directors Mostek and Kluthe will be attending with General Manager McWhorter. Discussions will be held on broadband, Farm Bill, NRECA retirement plan, tax issues and FEMA.

Public Comment

None was given.

Old Business

Director Schneider mentioned that Beemer Pronto Station is looking at adding a fast charge station. General Manager McWhorter will be meeting with the Pronto owner and discuss the options with owning a fast charge station.

Managers Expense & Report

Chet McWhorter reported his expenses.

NREA Legal Seminar and Manager's Group Meeting

During the legal seminar the topics discussed were the current legal status, challenges to battery storage, the renewable portfolio standards and G&T Challenges. Net metering issues were presented and an update on employment law.

The managers met and were given a presentation from the National Outage & Mutual Aid and the product they offer. The product is SPIA index, ice/snow impact forecasts for utilities. This product will save Chet and Scott Haber a lot of time looking at all the weather sites to find information.

Solar

Solar was average for the month of September and looks to be average for October as well. Yet we are still behind from last year's average.

Bluestem

Paperwork continues to be worked on. They are in the construction process and still on the right timeframe to be energized by mid-December.

Bancroft Sub

Survey is complete and they are working on the paperwork for the land exchange.

New Business

Policy 530 - Large Power

The policy was presented with changes to the rate and the demand response option. With the rate changes there would be three customers who would be affected greatly with the new policy. In the analysis of the demand response option, Cuming County PPD is not benefiting from the current rate option. The board members passed the policy removing the demand response option and approving the new rate.

Kari Haase will be reviewing data for the three customers who will see the greatest rate increase. She will analyze how Cuming County PPD can slowly increase the rate over the years and bring them up to the correct rate they should be paying.

Policy 530A - Large Power Seasonal Rate

Policy was approved with the changes that were presented.

Policy 412 - General Fund Level

Policy was presented for review.

Policy 307 - Sexual Harassment

Policy was presented for review.

Policy 318 - Anti Harassment

Policy was present for review

FR Clothing Procedure

General Manager McWhorter brought the procedure to the meeting with the changes the safety committee had made. The lineman's base gear is no longer available as a HRC2, which they are required to wear. It was approved for the lineman to wear the HRC1 but can only be worn as a base layer top and bottom. It can not be worn as an outer layer. The board agreed with the procedure.

The next regular meeting will be held November 13th, 2019 at 9:00 am.

Motions were read by Doggett.

ITEMS FOR FUTURE BOARD MEETINGS:

Third Quarter Report

Budget Narratives

Large Power Procedure

The motion was made at 10:58 a.m. to adjourn the meeting by Director Kaup and seconded by Director Weiler.

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