

CUMING COUNTY PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT
West Point, Nebraska

Regular Meeting September 9, 2020

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 September 2020 commencing at 9:00 o'clock a.m.

Present were: President Strehle; Members: Directors Petersen, 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 - August (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	Weiler	Yes

Motion carried (6-0).

- (2) After discussion, a motion was made by Director Kluthe and seconded by Director Weiler **to accept the Mid-Year Review as presented.**

After discussion, a roll call vote was as follows:

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

Motion carried (6-0).

- (3) After discussion, a motion was made by Director Kaup and seconded by Director Weiler **to accept Policy 117 - Safety, as reviewed.**

After discussion, a roll call vote was as follows:

Petersen	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 accept Policy 211 - Military Leave, as reviewed.**

After discussion, a roll call vote was as follows:

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

Motion carried (6-0).

- (5) A motion was made by Director Mostek and seconded by Director Weiler **to enter into Executive Session at 10:55 a.m. for General Manager Evaluation.**

A roll call was as follows:

Petersen	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 General Manager Evaluation.

The board came out of executive session at 11:31 am.

- (6) A motion was made by Director Kaup and seconded by Director Kluthe **to increase General Manager Chet McWhorter's salary up 2.5% starting August 26th.**

A roll call was as follows:

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

Motion carried (6-0).

Directors' Expense and Reports

Director expenses were presented.

Director Kluthe asked about the payment to Nebraska Power Review Board. McWhorter stated it is an annual payment to the Power Review Board based on the number of customers.

Director Kaup had four customers come to him about the DRU's. They stated that once they were controlled, if their system did not shut off, CCPPD would contact the customer to manually go shut off. The next day, a lineman would go out and take care of the issue. Those four customers did not understand why they needed to shut off and if it really affected out load control. General Manager McWhorter stated we are trying to keep our peak low, it could affect more than that customer if it would happen more frequently. CCPPD only had to control 6 times this year and the DRU's are checked before the season starts. Director Kaup would like CCPPD to keep a close eye on this situation. Some customers have to drive to their well and by the time they get there, in some cases, the load control is released.

Director Kluthe asked if Haber sent men out to check the static on Front St in Dodge. Scott Haber said that they drove the street and saw no issues. Looked into the situation more and discover the issue is in the City of Dodge. There is a sewer plant and 2 wells that cause a harmonic noise. If the static needs to be fixed, the City of Dodge would need to install filters and that could cost quite the penny.

Director Mostek had a customer ask about the charging station going into Pronto. McWhorter stated that the charging station did get put on the back burner. CCPPD would get a better grant than Pronto and would own the charging station. McWhorter will look at the business case of having a second charging station in Cuming County.

Director Assignments

NEG&T Customer Meeting

Director Mostek will be heading to the meeting today and tomorrow. General Manager McWhorter will also attend the meeting tomorrow, September 10th. They will give a report at the next board meeting.

Managers Expense & Report

Chet McWhorter reported his expenses.

NPPD Customer Meeting

Meeting was held via Teams. Main points discussed: different types of generation that are being experimented with and the rate outlook for 2021-2026, which is looking stable. PCA is being discussed once again and the NPPD board will decide at their September meeting.

NREA Northeast Manager Meeting

Meeting was held in person and McWhorter ran the meeting. Points discussed during the meeting; COVID 19, NREA meetings, R&S plan adjustments and the upcoming NEG&T meeting.

Solar

Solar has been looking good for CCPPD.

Bancroft Sub

Four bids were presented. The one accepted was lower than the 3 other bids. The company is newer but JEO has worked with the lead men on other jobs and is comfortable having them work and build the substation.

The gas line that needs to be moved has been paid for. Work should start on the move by the end of September.

NREA Regional Meeting

The Regional meeting will be held online. General Manager McWhorter has registered for the meeting, board members are welcome to come to the office to participate in the online event. Meeting will be held October 12th through 15th.

NRECA Annual Meeting

Will be held in December, still waiting to see if it will all be web based or some parts held in person. McWhorter will keep the board informed.

Public Comment

None

Old Business

None

New Business**Truck Pricing**

The board approved the pickup the CCPPD lineman had recommended to purchase.

VCAP Discussion

Kari Haase presented the VCAP to the board members. Discussion was held and it was decided to bring more data to the next board meeting to review.

Mid-Year Review

Kari Haase presented the 2020 Mid-Year Review.

Policy 117 - Safety

Policy was presented for review.

Policy 211 - Military Leave

Policy was presented for review.

The next regular meeting will be held October 14th, 2020 at 4:00 p.m.

Motions were read by Doggett.

ITEMS FOR FUTURE BOARD MEETINGS:

VCAP Discussion

The motion was made at 11:36 a.m. to adjourn the meeting by Director Weiler and seconded by Director Petersen.

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