

**Minutes of the 197th Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors
Northeast Nebraska Public Power District**

The 197th regular meeting of the Northeast Nebraska Public Power District was called to order at 7:43 p.m., on April 22nd, 2014, by President Don Larsen. This meeting was held in the District General's Office in Wayne, NE. Director Larsen announced that the meeting was being conducted pursuant to the Nebraska Open Meetings Law and pointed out the location of the law in the meeting room.

Notice of this meeting was posted at all facilities of Northeast Nebraska Public Power District and was delivered by first class mail to the City Hall offices of the following towns and villages: Allen, Carroll, Concord, Dixon, Emerson, Foster, Hoskins, Hubbard, Jackson, Martinsburg, Maskell, McLean, Newcastle, Obert, Osmond, Pierce, Ponca, South Sioux City, Thurston, Wakefield, Walthill, Waterbury, Wayne and Winside. Notice was also sent to the following newspapers: Dakota County Star, Nebraska Journal Leader, Norfolk Daily News, Norfolk Shopper, Pender Times, Pierce County Leader, Osmond Republican, Randolph Times, Wakefield Republican, and Wayne Herald.

The following Officers and Directors were present:

Director Silhacek	Director Gustafson	Director Kneifl
Director Lebsock	Director Gansebom	Director Larsen
Director Newton	Director Bodlak	

Others present: Kyle Dahl, Jan Kristjanson, Mark Shults, Mandy Backer, Kevin Pollard, and Randy Belt.

1. Review and approve minutes of the March 25, 2014 regular Board of Directors Meeting: A motion was made by Director Lebsock to approve the minutes from the March 25, 2014 Board meeting. This motion was seconded by Director Kneifl and carried on an 8-0 voice vote.
2. Review and approve minutes of the April 4, 2014 Employee Safety Meeting: A motion was made by Director Lebsock to approve minutes of the April 4, 2014 Employee Safety Meeting. This motion was seconded by Director Newton and approved on an 8-0 voice vote.
3. Public Comment Period: No one from the public was present, although Manager Shults relayed a complaint about the District's stance on 3 wire delta connected services.
4. Authorization of March 2014 expenses: Following a brief discussion about the March 2014 expenses, a motion was made by Director Gansebom to authorize March 2014 expenses. This motion was seconded by Director Gustafson.

The following roll call vote was taken upon the motion:

Director Larsen – yes	Director Gustafson - yes	Director Silhacek - yes
Director Newton - yes	Director Gansebom – yes	Director Kneifl – yes
Director Bodlak – yes	Director Lebsock - yes	

All directors present voting yes, the motion carried 8-0.

5. Review and approve the March 2014 Financial Statements: Mark Shults and Mandy Backer discussed the financial statements noting the District is still in good shape financially, and noted that sales and wholesale power costs were both up in about the same amounts. Director Kneifl

then made a motion to approve the March 2014 financial statements, which was seconded by Director Silhacek and carried on an 8-0 voice vote.

6. Management Reports to the Board:

- a. Mandy Backer – Mandy discussed the LED light fixture rebate from NPPD. She also noted that the Dueco mechanics are performing inspections on the trucks.
- b. Randy Belt – Randy reported on a number of items, including the weather-related incident that occurred last Sunday (4/20/14) and a recent farming accident. He also discussed various other construction projects including work on a line near Dixon and continuing work on the staking project.
- c. Jan Kristjanson – Jan reported that there is one more test file to do on the irrigation billing, and that she should have it done by April 30th at the latest. Afterwards, pre-season annual irrigation charges will be mailed.
- d. Kevin Pollard – Kevin reported on a number of items including the new service to a dairy, and that there are a number of irrigation wells and grain bins being installed. He also reported on the new fault indicators and the recent discussion with representatives from the Southwest Power Pool (SPP). Finally, he mentioned that Steve is leaving and Matt Sorenson is temporarily filling in until a replacement is found.
- e. Mark Shults – Mark reported on the talks with the Village of Walthill and the Cottonwood wind power project.

7. Old Business:

- a. Report by management about recent talks with the Southwest Power Pool regarding future membership by the District. Mark Shults and Kevin Pollard gave a report about the recent talks with representatives of the Southwest Power Pool (SPP) regarding the future membership by the District. Following the report, Director Bodlak made a motion to authorize Mark Shults to hire Guernsey Engineering, a consulting firm, to study the feasibility of NeNPPD becoming the transmission owner with SPP. This motion was seconded by Director Kneifl and carried on an 8-0 voice vote.

8. New Business:

- a. Resolution 2014-04-01 to Accept the 2013 Financial Audit: Director Gustafson made a motion to accept the 2013 Financial Audit. This motion was seconded by Director Gansebom and carried on an 8-0 voice vote.
- b. Resolution 2014-04-02 to Approve Construction of Facilities to CVA, INC: A motion was made by Director Bodlak to approve the construction of CVA, INC. facilities. This motion was seconded by Director Lebsock and carried on an 8-0 voice vote.
- c. Discussion by management regarding potential changes to the District's policies on extending credit to customers. Management and the Board discussed possibly re-defining the limits and definition of 'good credit' on the District's practices for disconnection of service for non-payment, when customers are to be considered an unacceptable credit risk and when 'pre-payment' of service should be required. This was a discussion item only and no official action was taken and no votes were had.

7. Board Member Reports:

- a. Director Silhacek and Mark Shults gave brief reports.

8. Executive Session: Director Larsen asked if there was any need to go into executive session. There being no need, no executive session was held.

There was then a motion to adjourn the meeting made by Director Gustafson and seconded by Director Kneifl. The motion was approved on an 8-0 voice vote. The meeting was adjourned at 10:02 p.m.

I, the undersigned, secretary of the Northeast Nebraska Public Power District, Wayne, Nebraska, hereby certify that all of the subjects included in the foregoing proceedings were contained in the agenda for the meeting, kept continually current and available for public inspection at the office of the District; that minutes of the District were in written form and available for public inspection within ten working days and prior to the next convened meeting of said body; that all news media requesting notification concerning meeting of said body were provided advance notification of the time and place of said meeting and the subject matters to be discussed at said meeting.

Secretary

Attest: _____
President