

**Minutes of the 221st Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors
Northeast Nebraska Public Power District**

The 221st regular meeting of the Northeast Nebraska Public Power District was called to order at 7:30 p.m., on April 26th, 2016, by Board President Don Larsen. This meeting was held in the District's General 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, Waterbury, Wakefield, Wayne and Winside. Notice was also sent to the following newspapers: Nebraska Journal Leader, Norfolk Daily News, Norfolk Shopper, Pender Times, Pierce County Leader, Osmond Republican, Randolph Times, South Sioux City Star, Wakefield Republican, and Wayne Herald.

The following Directors were present:

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

Directors Absent: None.

Others present: Mandy Backer, Jan Kristjanson, Kevin Pollard, Matt Sorensen, Mark Shults, and Kyle Dahl, from NeNPPD, Devon Kumm, customer, and Adam Herink and Matt Robinette from Bluestem Energy Solutions, LLC.

1. Director Lebsock: Director Larsen expressed condolences on behalf of the Board and the District for the family Director David Lebsock who passed away following a battle with cancer last month. Director Larsen then asked for a moment of silence in his memory.
2. Review and approve the minutes of the March 22nd, 2016 regular Board of Directors Meeting: The minutes of the March 2016 regular Board of Directors Meeting were presented and reviewed by the Board. Director Kneifl made a motion to approve the minutes from the March 2016 Board of Directors Meeting. The motion was seconded by Director Silhacek. The motion carried on a 7-0 voice vote.
3. Public Comment Period: Devon Kumm, a District customer presented some comments to the Board about a billing issue.
4. Approve the March 2016 Expense Report: Management provided information on the March 2016 expenses which were reviewed by the Board. Director Gustafson then made a motion to approve the expense report, and Director Bodlak seconded the motion. The following roll call vote was taken on the motion:

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

All Directors present voting yes, the motion carried 7-0.

5. Approve the March 2016 Financial Statements: Management provided information on the March 2016 financial statements, which were reviewed by the Board. Management stated in their report that currently the District is a little under budget for both revenue and operating expenses, but that they expect it to even out as the year progresses. Following the discussion, Director Newton made a motion to approve the financials and Director Bodlak seconded the motion. The motion carried with a 7-0 voice vote.

6. New Business:

a. Resolution 2016-04-02. Resolution to enter into a developer’s agreement with Bluestem Energy Solutions, LLC. Adam Herink and Matt Robinette from Bluestem presented information on the possibility of wind energy projects with the District. Then following a discussion with management and the Board, Director Gustafson made a motion to approve the resolution and Director Newton seconded his motion. The following roll call vote was taken on the motion:

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

All Directors present voting yes, the motion carried 7-0.

7. Management Reports:

- a. Jan Kristjanson: Jan gave a report on the annual benefits of ownership in the National Rural Utilities Cooperative Finance Corporation (referred to as CFC) as well on a report from the visit by the auditors.
- b. Mandy Backer: Mandy gave a report on three issues where metering and/or billing discrepancies had occurred resulting in under-billing the customer.
- c. Kevin Pollard: Kevin gave an update on upcoming construction and transmission line projects.
- d. Matt Sorensen: Matt gave an update on various construction project and other items, including the transmission line project in Dixon County, the snowstorm on March 23-24, maintenance checks, and a report on the Midwest Mutual Aid conference in Chicago, IL.
- e. Mark Shults: Mark presented information on various items, including the fact that he is planning on attending the Osmond City Council meeting on May 4th, and the fact that inquiries have been made to the District about possibly selling the offices located in Ponca and Osmond.

8. Old Business:

- a. Resolution 2016-04-01. Resolution to register the name “Northeast Power” with the Nebraska Secretary of State for the purpose of using the name with the public and doing business as “Northeast Power”. Director Newton made a motion to approve the resolution and Director Kneifl seconded his motion, the motion carried on a 7-0 voice vote.

9. New Business (cont’d):

- a. Discussion of a Memorandum of Understanding with the Village of Walthill regarding future wholesale power purchases. Management presented some information on a possible MOU with the Village of Walthill. This was a discussion item only; no official action or votes were taken.

10. Executive Session: Director Gansebom made a motion to go into executive session for the purpose of discussing ongoing and potential litigation involving the District, which was seconded by Director Newton. The following roll call vote was taken on the motion:

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

All Directors present voting yes, the motion carried 7-0.

The board entered executive session at 11:00 p.m. Later Director Gustafson made a motion to come out of executive session which was seconded by Director Kneifl. The motion carried on a 7-0 voice vote, and the Board came out of executive session at 11:50 p.m.

11. Board Member Reports: None.

12. Adjournment. There was a motion to adjourn the meeting made by Director Gustafson and seconded by Director Newton and was approved 7-0 on a voice vote. The meeting adjourned at 11:57 pm.

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