

**Minutes of the 227th Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors  
Northeast Nebraska Public Power District**

The 227th regular meeting of the Northeast Nebraska Public Power District was called to order at 7:30p.m., on October 25<sup>th</sup>, 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.

1. Roll Call. The following Directors were present:

**Director Kneifl**  
**Director Newton**  
**Director Etter**

**Director Bodlak**  
**Director Larsen**

**Director Gustafson**  
**Director Gansebom**

Directors absent: **Director Silhacek**

Others present: Mark Shults, Kevin Pollard, Matt Sorenson, Mandy Backer and Kyle Dahl from NeNPPD.

2. Review and approve the minutes of the September 27<sup>th</sup>, 2016 regular Board of Directors Meeting: The minutes of the September 27<sup>th</sup>, 2016 regular Board of Directors Meeting were presented and reviewed by the Board. Director Gansebom made a motion to approve the minutes of the September 27<sup>th</sup>, 2016 regular Board of Directors Meeting. The motion was seconded by Director Newton. The motion carried on a 7-0 voice vote.

3. Public Comment Period: None.

4. Approve the September 2016 Expense Report: Management provided information on the September 2016 expenses which were reviewed by the Board. Director Gustafson then made a motion to approve the September 2016 expenses, and Director Kneifl seconded the motion. The following roll call vote was taken on the motion:

<b>Director Kneifl- yes</b>	<b>Director Newton- yes</b>
<b>Director Gustafson- yes</b>	<b>Director Larsen- yes</b>
<b>Director Bodlak- yes</b>	<b>Director Gansebom - yes</b>
<b>Director Etter - yes</b>	

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

5. Approve the September 2016 Financial Statements: Management provided information on the September 2016 financial statements. Year to Date, actual expenses are very close to budgeted amounts. Some discussion was made regarding billing. After being reviewed by the Board, Director Bodlak made a motion to approve the financials and Director Newton seconded the motion. The motion carried on a 7-0 voice vote.
6. Management Reports:
  - a. Mandy Backer. Mandy led discussion about investing cash reserve in either in-state or out-of-state financial institutions. This discussion was to ask and clarify Board guidance on what type of accounts and institutions with which management was authorized to deposit funds.
  - b. Matt Sorenson. Matt reported about joint sub-transmission operations and planning a meeting. He also updated the board about the outage at Big Red Farms, a meeting with the Village of Jackson, as well as other projects.
  - c. Kevin Pollard. Kevin reported on the transmission line project.
  - d. Mark Shults. Mark stated that the WAPA prices are going down. He reported that Baird Holm is looking at State Statutes controlling entry into the internet services business. He also stated that Bluestem Energy is coming to a future meeting to make a proposal for local wind generation. Mark also gave an update on recent discussion with Big River Electric Corp.

\*Director Silhacek arrived at 8:10pm.

7. Old Business:
  - a. Resolution 2016-10-01. Resolution to approve general manager's goals and objectives for 2017-2018. After brief discussion between the Board and management, Director Silhacek made a motion to approve the Resolution. Director Gustafson seconded the motion, and it carried on an 8-0 voice vote.
8. New Business:
  - a. Resolution 2016-10-02. Resolution to accept the report on cyber security from Dell Secureworks. Management provided some comment about the cyber security report. And after a brief discussion, Director Newton made a motion to approve the Resolution. Director Silhacek seconded the motion, and it carried on an 8-0 voice vote.
  - b. Resolution 2016-10-03. Resolution to establish the position of billing supervisor. Mark Shults provided to the Board the rationale for the creation of the new. Then Director Gustafson made a motion to approve the Resolution, and Director Kneifl seconded the motion. The motion carried on an 8-0 voice vote.
  - c. Discussion of preliminary Budget and Workplans for 2017. Mandy gave the report on the 2017 budget. This was a discussion item only and no official action was taken and no votes were had. Budget and Workplans for 2017 will be presented for approval at a later meeting.
9. Executive Session: Director Bodlak made a motion to go into executive session for the purpose of discussing potential legal, real estate and personnel issues. The motion was seconded by

Director Newton. The following roll call vote was taken on the motion:

<b>Director Silhacek- yes</b>	<b>Director Kneifl- yes</b>
<b>Director Gustafson- yes</b>	<b>Director Bodlak- yes</b>
<b>Director Larsen- yes</b>	<b>Director Newton- yes</b>
<b>Director Etter – yes</b>	<b>Director Gansebom- yes</b>

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

The board entered executive session at 9:10 p.m.

Director Gansebom then made a motion to come out of executive session which was seconded by Director Kneifl. The motion carried on an 8-0 voice vote, and the Board came out of executive session at 10:15 p.m.

10. Board Member Reports: None.

11. Adjournment. There was a motion to adjourn the meeting made by Director Gustafson and seconded by Director Gansebom and was approved 8-0 on a voice vote. The meeting adjourned at 10:30 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.

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Secretary

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
President