

## **BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING, JANUARY 26, 2015**

The annual meeting of the Board of Directors of North Central Public Power District was held at the District office, Creighton, Nebraska, on Monday, January 26, 2015 at 6:30 P.M.

### **1. Call to Order; notice of meeting and proof of mailing.**

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. and conducted by Mary Ketelsen, President and Secretary, Gregory W. Walmer, recorded the minutes.

Directors in attendance were Terry Strope, Brent Stagemeyer, Gordon W. Fulton, Curt Zimmerer, Wm Jedlicka, Gregory Walmer, and Mary Ketelsen. Also attending were Jace Stagemeyer; Michael Kuhlman, Journeyman Lineman; Art Hickman, Staking Engineer / Safety Manager; Todd Zimmerer, Assistant Operations Manager; Chad Waldow, Operations Manager; Doyle Hazen, Manager of Finance and Administration; Keith E. Harvey, General Manager and Jeffrey M. Doerr, District Attorney.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by publication in the Creighton News, Niobrara Tribune, Plainview News, Orchard News, Holt County Independent and the Verdigre Eagle as shown by the affidavit of publication attached to the minutes of the meeting. Notice of the meeting was given simultaneously to all the members and a copy of their acknowledgment and receipt of notice and agenda is attached to the minutes of the meeting. Availability of the agenda was communicated in the notice mailed to all the members of the meeting. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

General Manager, Keith Harvey led the assembly in pledging their allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

### **2. Approval of Agenda.**

On a motion by Curt Zimmerer and seconded by Brent Stagemeyer be it:

RESOLVED THAT the Board of Directors of North Central Public Power District approve the agenda as amended and a copy is to be attached to the minutes of the meeting.

By roll call vote, Fulton, yes; Strope, yes; Stagemeyer, yes; Jedlicka, yes; Zimmerer, yes; Walmer, yes and Ketelsen, yes. Motion carried.

### **3. Administration of Oath of Office to newly elected Directors.**

General Manager, Keith E. Harvey administered the signing of the oath of office and sworn in elected board of directors, Gordon W. Fulton Jr. and Wm. Jedlicka.

### **4. Convene Public (Budget) Hearing at 6:35 p.m.**

On a motion by Gregory W. Walmer and seconded by Wm. Jedlicka be it:

RESOLVED THAT the Board of Directors of North Central Public Power District convene the public budget hearing.

By roll call vote, Fulton, yes; Strope, yes; Stagemeyer, yes; Jedlicka, yes; Zimmerer, yes; Walmer, yes and Ketelsen, yes. Motion carried.

### **5. Official Public (Budget) Hearing on the 2015 budgets for the purpose of hearing support, opposition, criticism, suggestions or observations of ratepayers' concerns for the proposed budget. Official Notice of the Budget Hearing was published in the Creighton News, Plainview News, Niobrara Tribune, Verdigre Eagle, Orchard News and the Holt County Independent on January 14, 2015 and on January 21, 2015. The 2015 Operating and Non-Operating Budget and Capital Expenditure Budget will be presented by General Manager, Keith Harvey.**

General Manager, Harvey discussed the 2015 Operating and Non-Operating Budget and Capital Expenditure Budget as presented to the board.

**6. Adjourn Public (Budget) Hearing.**

On a motion by Brent Stagemeyer and seconded by Gordon W. Fulton be it:

RESOLVED THAT the Board of Directors of North Central Public Power District adjourn the Public (Budget) Hearing.

By roll call vote, Fulton, yes; Strobe, yes; Stagemeyer, yes; Jedlicka, yes; Zimmerer, yes; Walmer, yes and Ketelsen, yes. Motion carried.

**7. Reconvene annual meeting.**

The annual meeting was reconvened.

**8. Approval of the December 22, 2014 Regular Board meeting minutes.**

A motion was made by Gordon W. Fulton and seconded by Curt Zimmerer to dispense with the reading of the December 22, 2014 regular board meeting minutes and approve the minutes as mailed. By roll call vote, Strobe, yes; Stagemeyer, yes; Fulton, yes; Zimmerer, yes; Walmer, yes; Jedlicka, yes and Ketelsen, yes. Motion carried.

**9. Election of Officers, appointment of District representatives, and selection of District Attorney.**

Board President, Ketelsen appointed Jeffrey Doerr, District Attorney as temporary chairman to conduct the election of board president.

On a motion by Gordon W. Fulton and seconded by Terry Strobe be it:

RESOLVED THAT the Board of Directors of North Central Public Power District retain the following officers, President, Mary Ketelsen; Vice President, Curt Zimmerer; Secretary, Gregory Walmer and Treasurer, Brent Stagemeyer and nominations cease.

By roll call vote, Fulton, yes; Strobe, yes; Stagemeyer, yes; Jedlicka, yes; Zimmerer, yes; Walmer, yes and Ketelsen, yes. Motion carried.

Temporary Chairperson, Jeffrey M. Doerr returned control of the meeting to board

president, Mary Ketelsen.

**Appoint District Representatives:**

Appointment of District voting delegates and alternates for G&T, NRECA, CFC, NREA, NRE Cooperative, NRTV and NRTC were assigned. G&T's voting delegate is Gordon W. Fulton with Brent Stagemeyer as alternate and Keith E. Harvey as 2<sup>nd</sup> alternate. NRECA's voting delegate is Chad Waldow with Tim Hoffman as alternate. CFC's voting delegate is Tim Hoffman with Chad Waldow as alternate. NREA's voting delegate is Wm Jedlicka, with Terry Strope as alternate, and 2nd alternate, Keith E. Harvey. NRE Cooperative's voting delegate is Keith Harvey with Chad Waldow as alternate. NRTV's voting delegate is Gordon W. Fulton. NRTC's voting delegate is Gordon W. Fulton with Wm. L. Jedlicka as alternate.

**Select District Attorney.**

Jeffrey M. Doerr, District Attorney, temporarily left the meeting at 6:45 P.M. to allow the board to discuss the selection of District Attorney.

On a motion by Gregory W. Walmer and seconded by Wm. Jedlicka be it:

RESOLVED THAT the Board of Directors of North Central Public Power District retain Jeffrey M. Doerr as District attorney.

By roll call vote, Fulton, yes; Strope, yes; Stagemeyer, yes; Jedlicka, yes; Zimmerer, yes; Walmer, yes and Ketelsen, yes. Motion carried.

Jeffrey M. Doerr, reentered the meeting at 6:48 P.M.

**10. Public Comment: Pursuant to Nebraska Statute Section 84-1412, the public is advised that a copy of today's agenda and all reproducible material which will be discussed at today's meeting is located on the table at the side of the room. Also available in that same general area is a current copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act which is accessible to the public.**

There were no public comments.

## **11. Discussion and possible action to approve the 2015 Operating and Non-Operating**

### **Budget and Capital Expenditure Budget.**

On a motion by Brent Stagemeyer and seconded by Wm. Jedlicka be it:

RESOLVED THAT the Board of Directors of North Central Public Power District approve the 2015 Operating and Non-Operating Budget and Capital Expenditure Budget as presented and a copy be attached to the minutes of the meeting.

By roll call vote, Fulton, yes; Strope, yes; Stagemeyer, yes; Jedlicka, yes; Zimmerer, yes; Walmer, yes and Ketelsen, yes. Motion carried.

## **12. Staff Reports.**

Doyle Hazen, Manager of Finance and Administration reported the District's annual audit for 2014 will be conducted by Schmidt and Company on March 16-18, 2015. The new load management software with BTE Corp is in the process of being implemented. The conversion process is complete and the new software is fully Internet based. Peter Battelino will be performing the training on this new software system.

Chad Waldow, Operations Manager reported on the operation department's monthly operations. The line crews are currently doing maintenance work; the District was able to come to an agreement with the Orchard resident concerning the installation of the AMI meter on his services. He chose to opt out of two-way, power line carrier electric metering (AMI) on his residential service and will pay \$60 per month to have his residential service meter read by a District personnel as stated in Exhibit A of Policy Bulletin 2500 Advanced Metering Information (AMI). OSHA new fall protection was also reported on.

## **13. Safety report (December 3 and 10, 2014 In-House conducted).**

The board of directors reviewed the **December 3 and 10, 2014**, In-House conducted

safety meeting minutes. On a motion by Gordon W. Fulton and seconded by Gregory W. Walmer be it:

RESOLVED THAT the Board of Directors of North Central Public Power District accept the December 3 and 10, 2014 Safety meeting minutes as presented and a copy is to be attached to the minutes of the meeting.

By roll call vote, Fulton, yes; Strobe, yes; Stagemeyer, yes; Jedlicka, yes; Zimmerer, yes;

Walmer, yes and Ketelsen, yes. Motion carried.

#### **14. Manager's report.**

**Meetings attended:** A list of the meetings attended is on the Manager's Report attached to the minutes of the meeting.

#### **Upcoming Meetings:**

The upcoming meetings are listed on the attached Manager's report. The regular board meeting will be on February 23, 2015.

#### **New Business:**

1. State Chamber sponsorship discussion. This sponsorship was done in conjunction with the NREA Statewide Office and three other public power districts. The NREA Statewide's logo will be displayed in the manual and on the table during the State Chamber banquet. The Districts will be recognized as a sponsor of the event.
2. Assign CFC Voting delegate for CFC meeting. Tim Hoffman was appointed voting representative and Chad Waldow is the alternate.

#### **Old Business:**

1. None

#### **Strategic Plan Update:**

1. Current Status. There was no discussion.

**15. Discussion and approval of the December 2014 financials.**

The board of directors reviewed the December 2014 financials. On a motion by Wm. Jedlicka and seconded by Curt Zimmerer be it:

RESOLVED THAT the Board of Directors of North Central Public Power District approve the December 2014 financials as presented and a copy be attached to the minutes of the meeting.

By roll call vote, Fulton, yes; Strope, yes; Stagemeyer, yes; Jedlicka, yes; Zimmerer, yes; Walmer, yes and Ketelsen, yes. Motion carried.

**16. Approval of expenditures covering all monetary encumbrances of the District for the month of December, 2014.**

The board of directors reviewed the expenditures covering the month of December 2014. On a motion by Terry Strope and seconded by Gordon W. Fulton JR be it:

RESOLVED THAT the Board of Directors of North Central Public Power District approve the expenditures for the month of December 2014 as presented and a copy be attached to the minutes of the meeting.

By roll call vote, Fulton, yes; Strope, yes; Stagemeyer, yes; Jedlicka, yes; Zimmerer, yes; Walmer, yes and Ketelsen, yes. Motion carried.

**17. Adjournment.**

Board President, Ketelsen adjourned the board meeting at 8:26 p.m.

I, Gregory W. Walmer, do hereby certify that I am the Secretary of North Central Public Power District and that the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of the minutes of the Board of Directors, meeting in annual session, January 26, 2015.

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Gregory W. Walmer, Secretary

APPROVED:

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Mary Ketelsen, President

Attachments: (To the original minutes)

- Acknowledgment of Notice
- Publishers Affidavit
- 2015 Operating and Non-Operating Budget and Capital Expenditure Budget
- December 3 and 10, 2014 Safety meeting minutes
- Manager's Report
- December 2014 Financials
- December 2014 Check Register