ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF NOTICE

The undersigned acknowledge receipt of notice of the annual board meeting and the agenda for the meeting on the date of <u>January 29, 2024</u> commencing at 6:30 o'clock P.M.

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North Central Public Power District Board of Directors Meeting

Guest Attendance Form

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NOTICE OF ANNUAL

MEETING & PUBLIC HEARING

NORTH CENTRAL PUBLIC

POWER DISTRICT

CREIGHTON, NEBRASKA

EN that the annual meeting of

the North Central Public Power

District board of directors will be

held on January 29, 2024 at 6:30 p.m. and a public hearing on the North Central Public Power District 2024 Budget will be approximately at 6:45 p.m. at the district

public. The current agenda for the meeting, including a public

comment period, shall be readily available for public inspection at the office of the district, during normal business hours. Among the items to be discussed at

this meeting is the approval of

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Gregory Walmer, Secretary

for 2024. The proposed budget nfield, Nebraska; and said newspaper has been is available for public inspection and for at least 52 consecutive weeks prior to hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., ion of attached notices; that said publication is of circulation; that attached notice was published

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AUTHORIZATION

James Rounovsky, Treasurer of North Central Public Power District, Creighton, Nebraska, by the signature below, hereby authorizes the delegation of the authority for the purpose of signing any general or operating accounts, construction accounts, bond reserve fund accounts, of any kind and description, created under the public corporate entity of North Central Public Power District, Creighton, Nebraska, including but not limited to District General & Operating Accounts, Trustee Special Construction Account, all Bond Reserve Funds, and all Bond Payment Fund checks in the manner provided as follows:

Doyle Hazen, General Manager and Brent Eggerling, Manager of Finance and Administration are herewith empowered and authorized to co-sign any general or operating accounts, construction accounts, bond reserve fund accounts, of any kind and description, created under the public corporate entity of North Central Public Power District, Creighton, Nebraska, including but not limited to District General & Operating Account, Trustee Special Construction Account, all Bond Reserve Funds, and all Bond Payment Fund checks by the use of checking signing software. If for any reason the "check signer" equipment should fail to be operational or in the event one or both of the designated "check signing" individuals listed above are not employed with the District, the District Treasurer shall appoint any two of the following Assistant Treasurers to personally sign and co-sign any general or operating accounts, construction accounts, bond reserve fund accounts, of any kind and description, created under the public corporate entity of North Central Public Power District, Creighton, Nebraska, including but not limited to District General & Operating Account, Trustee Special Construction Account, all Bond Reserve Funds, and all Bond Payment Fund checks: Doyle Hazen, General Manager; Brent Eggerling, Manager of Finance and Administration; and Todd Zimmerer, Operations Manager; until said "check signing" equipment has been placed in working order or until the Board has approved (a) new check signing individual(s) and a new check signing software has been obtained.

DATE this 29 day of January, 2024.

District Treasurer

ATTEST:

Gregory W. Walmer, Secretary

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING, JANUARY 29, 2024

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 29, 2024 at 6:30 P.M.

1. Call to Order.

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

2. Roll Call.

Upon calling the roll the secretary reported that the following directors were present: Terry Strope, Gordon W. Fulton, Linda Jedlicka, Gregory W. Walmer, James J. Kounovsky, and Mary Ketelsen, said persons being all of the directors. Director Brent Stagemeyer arrived at 6:42 p.m.

Also attending were Eric Schroeder, IT Networking Engineer; Todd Zimmerer, Operations Manager; Tim Hoffman, Assistant Operations Manager; Brent Eggerling, Manager of Finance and Administration; Doyle Hazen, CEO/General Manager and John Thomas, District Attorney.

3. Notice of meeting and proof of mailing.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by publication in the Knox County News, Niobrara Tribune, Plainview News, Antelope County 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.

4. Approval of Agenda.

On a motion by Gordon W. Fulton and seconded by Mary Ketelsen be it:

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

By roll call vote, Gordon W. Fulton, yes; Mary Ketelsen, yes; Gregory W. Walmer, yes; Linda Jedlicka, yes; Brent Stagemeyer, absent; James J. Kounovsky, yes; Terry Strope, yes. Motion carried.

5. Approval of the December 18, 2023 Regular Board meeting minutes.

On a motion by Mary Ketelsen and seconded by Linda Jedlicka be it:

RESOLVED THAT the Board of Directors of North Central Public Power District dispense with the reading of the December 18, 2023 regular board meeting minutes and approve the minutes as presented.

By roll call vote, Mary Ketelsen, yes; Linda Jedlicka, yes; Gregory W. Walmer, yes; Gordon W. Fulton, yes; Brent Stagemeyer, absent; James J. Kounovsky, yes; Terry Strope, yes. Motion carried.

6. Election of Officers, and appointment of District representatives and selection of District Attorney.

Election of Officers:

On a motion by Gregory W. Walmer and seconded by Mary Ketelsen be it:

RESOLVED THAT the Board of Directors of North Central Public Power District appoint Doyle Hazen, CEO/General Manager as temporary chairman to conduct the election of board president.

By roll call vote, Gregory W. Walmer, yes; Mary Ketelsen, yes; Gordon W. Fulton, yes; Brent Stagemeyer, absent; James J. Kounovsky, yes; Linda Jedlicka, yes; Terry Strope, yes. Motion carried.

Nominations for board president were accepted: Mary Ketelsen was nominated. A motion was made by Gordon W. Fulton and seconded by James J. Kounovsky that nominations cease for President and unanimous ballot be cast for Mary Ketelsen.

By roll call vote, Gordon W. Fulton, yes; James J. Kounovsky, yes; Brent Stagemeyer, absent; Mary Ketelsen, yes; Linda Jedlicka, yes; Gregory W. Walmer, yes; Terry Strope, yes. Motion carried.

CEO/General Manager Doyle Hazen returned control of the meeting to elected president, Mary Ketelsen.

Nominations for board vice president were accepted: Linda Jedlicka was nominated. A motion was made by Gregory W. Walmer and seconded by Terry Strope that nominations cease for Vice President and unanimous ballot be cast for Linda Jedlicka.

By roll call vote, Gregory W. Walmer, yes; Terry Strope, yes; Gordon W. Fulton, yes; Brent Stagemeyer, absent; Linda Jedlicka, yes; James J. Kounovsky, yes; Mary Ketelsen, yes. Motion carried.

Nominations for board secretary were accepted: Gregory W. Walmer was nominated. A motion was made by Terry Strope and seconded by James J. Kounovsky that nominations cease for secretary and unanimous ballot be cast for Gregory W. Walmer.

By roll call vote, Terry Strope, yes; James J. Kounovsky, yes; Gordon W. Fulton, yes; Brent Stagemeyer, absent; Gregory W. Walmer, yes; Linda Jedlicka, yes; Mary Ketelsen, yes. Motion carried.

Nominations for board treasure were accepted: James J. Kounovsky was nominated. A motion was made by Terry Strope and seconded by Gordon W. Fulton that nominations cease for treasurer and unanimous ballot be cast for James J. Kounovsky.

By roll call vote, Terry Strope, yes; Gordon W. Fulton, yes; Brent Stagemeyer, absent; James J. Kounovsky, yes; Linda Jedlicka, yes; Gregory W. Walmer, yes; Mary Ketelsen, yes. Motion carried.

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 Brent Stagemeyer with Gregory W. Walmer as alternate and Doyle Hazen as 2nd alternate. NRECA's voting delegate is Terry Strope with Doyle Hazen as alternate. CFC's voting delegate is Doyle Hazen with Terry Strope as alternate. NREA's voting delegate is James J. Kounovsky, with Linda Jedlicka as alternate, and Doyle Hazen as 2nd alternate. NRE Cooperative's voting delegate is Todd Zimmerer with Doyle Hazen as alternate. NRTC's voting delegate is Terry Strope with Gregory W. Walmer as alternate.

Brent Stagemeyer entered the meeting at 6:42 p.m.

Selection of District Attorney.

On a motion by Gregory W. Walmer and seconded by James J. Kounovsky be it:

RESOLVED THAT the Board of Directors of North Central Public Power District retain John Thomas as District attorney.

By roll call vote, Gregory W. Walmer, yes; James J. Kounovsky, yes; Linda Jedlicka, yes; Brent Stagemeyer, yes; Gordon W. Fulton, yes; Terry Strope, yes; Mary Ketelsen, yes. Motion carried.

7. Convene Public (Budget) Hearing at 6:45 p.m.

On a motion by Terry Strope and seconded by Linda Jedlicka be it:

RESOLVED THAT the Board of Directors of North Central Public Power District convene Public (Budget) Hearing at 6:45 p.m.

By roll call vote, Terry Strope, yes; Linda Jedlicka, yes; Gordon W. Fulton, yes; Brent Stagemeyer, yes; Gregory W. Walmer, yes; James J. Kounovsky, yes; Mary Ketelsen, yes. Motion carried.

8. Official Public (Budget) Hearing on the 2024 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 Knox County News, Plainview News, Niobrara Tribune, Verdigre Eagle, Antelope County

News and the Holt County Independent on January 17, 2024 and on January 24, 2024. The 2024 Operating and Non-Operating Budgets and Capital Expenditure Budget will be presented by CEO/General Manager, Doyle Hazen.

CEO/General Manager, Hazen discussed the 2024 Operating and Non-Operating Budgets and Capital Expenditure Budget as presented to the board. There were no public comments.

9. Adjourn Public (Budget) Hearing.

The public (Budget) hearing was adjourned and the meeting was reconvened.

10. Discussion and approval of the 2024 Operating and Non-Operating Budgets and Capital Expenditure Budget.

On a motion by Terry Strope and seconded by Linda Jedlicka be it:

RESOLVED THAT the Board of Directors of North Central Public Power District approve the 2024 Operating and Non-Operating Budgets and Capital Expenditure Budget as presented, and a copy be attached to the minutes of the meeting.

By roll call vote, Terry Strope, yes; Linda Jedlicka, yes; James J. Kounovsky, yes; Gordon W. Fulton, yes; Gregory W. Walmer, yes; Brent Stagemeyer, yes; Mary Ketelsen, yes. Motion carried.

11. 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 back of the room. Also available on the west wall of the Board room is a current copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act which is accessible to the public.

There were no public comments.

12. Discussion and approval to amend Policy Bulletin 2060: Authorized individuals to sign District, RUS, CFC, Federal, State, and Local financial institutions and other organizations, statements, forms and checks requiring District signatures - Exhibit 1 Authorization.

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

RESOLVED THAT the Board of Directors of North Central Public Power District approve Policy Bulletin 2060: Authorized individuals to sign District, RUS, CFC, Federal, State, and Local financial institutions and other organizations, statements, forms and checks requiring District signatures - Exhibit 1 Authorization as amended and a copy be attached to the minutes of the meeting.

By roll call vote, Gregory W. Walmer, yes; Gordon W. Fulton, yes; Brent Stagemeyer, yes; Linda Jedlicka, yes; Terry Strope, yes; James J. Kounovsky, yes; Mary Ketelsen, yes. Motion carried.

13. Discussion and approval to engage Eide Bailly CPAs & Business Advisors to complete the 2023 Year End Audit for North Central Public Power District.

On a motion by Linda Jedlicka and seconded by James J. Kounovsky be it:

RESOLVED THAT the Board of Directors of North Central Public Power District approve to engage Eide Bailly CPAs & Business Advisors to complete the 2023 Year End Audit for North Central Public Power District and a copy of the engagement agreement be attached to the minutes of the meeting.

By roll call vote, Linda Jedlicka, yes; James J. Kounovsky, yes; Terry Strope, yes; Gordon W. Fulton, yes; Brent Stagemeyer, yes; Gregory W. Walmer, yes; Mary Ketelsen, yes. Motion carried.

14. Discussion and approval to amend Policy Bulletin 2160R: Electric Efficiency Incentive Program.

On a motion by Terry Strope and seconded by Gregory W. Walmer be it:

RESOLVED THAT the Board of Directors of North Central Public Power District approve Policy Bulletin 2160R: Electric Efficiency Incentive Program as amended and a copy be attached to the minutes of the meeting.

By roll call vote, Terry Strope, yes; Gregory W. Walmer, yes; Linda Jedlicka, yes; Gordon W.

Fulton, yes; James J. Kounovsky, yes; Brent Stagemeyer, yes; Mary Ketelsen, yes. Motion carried.

15. Discussion and approval to amend Policy Bulletin 3001: <u>Single Phase Rural Residential</u> <u>City of Plainview Rates.</u>

On a motion by James J. Kounovsky and seconded by Linda Jedlicka be it:

RESOLVED THAT the Board of Directors of North Central Public Power District approve Policy Bulletin 3001: Single Phase Rural Residential City of Plainview Rates as amended and a copy be attached to the minutes of the meeting.

By roll call vote, James J. Kounovsky, yes; Linda Jedlicka, yes; Brent Stagemeyer, yes; Gordon

W. Fulton, yes; Terry Strope, yes; Gregory W. Walmer, yes; Mary Ketelsen, yes. Motion carried.

16. Discussion and approval to amend Policy Bulletin 3070: Irrigation.

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

RESOLVED THAT the Board of Directors of North Central Public Power District approve Policy Bulletin 3070: Irrigation as amended and a copy be attached to the minutes of the meeting.

By roll call vote, Gordon W. Fulton, yes; Brent Stagemeyer, yes; Gregory W. Walmer, yes;

Terry Strope, yes; Linda Jedlicka, yes; James J. Kounovsky, yes; Mary Ketelsen, yes. Motion carried.

17. Discussion and approval to amend Irrigation Supplement to the Application and

Agreement for Electric Service Contract.

On a motion by Terry Strope and seconded by Brent Stagemeyer be it:

RESOLVED THAT the Board of Directors of North Central Public Power District approve Irrigation Supplement to the Application and Agreement for Electric Service Contract as amended and a copy be attached to the minutes of the meeting.

By roll call vote, Terry Strope, yes; Brent Stagemeyer, yes; Gordon W. Fulton, yes; Gregory

W. Walmer, yes; James J. Kounovsky, yes; Linda Jedlicka, yes; Mary Ketelsen, yes. Motion carried.

18. Discussion and approval to amend Policy Bulletin 3080: <u>Large Power Rates</u>.

On a motion by Gregory W. Walmer and seconded by Terry Strope be it:

RESOLVED THAT the Board of Directors of North Central Public Power District approve Policy Bulletin 3080: Large Power Rates as amended and a copy be attached to the minutes of the meeting.

By roll call vote, Gregory W. Walmer, yes; Terry Strope, yes; James J. Kounovsky, yes; Linda Jedlicka, yes; Gordon W. Fulton, yes; Brent Stagemeyer, yes; Mary Ketelsen, yes. Motion carried.

19. Discussion and approval to amend Policy Bulletin 3080-1: Large Power Multiple Meters Rates.

On a motion by Linda Jedlicka and seconded by James J. Kounovsky be it:

RESOLVED THAT the Board of Directors of North Central Public Power District approve Policy Bulletin 3080-1: Large Power Multiple Meters Rates as amended and a copy be attached to the minutes of the meeting.

By roll call vote, Linda Jedlicka, yes; James J. Kounovsky, yes; Brent Stagemeyer, yes; Gregory W. Walmer, yes; Gordon W. Fulton, yes; Terry Strope, yes; Mary Ketelsen, yes. Motion carried.

20. Discussion and approval to amend Policy Bulletin 3110 - Wind Farm Delivery From High Voltage Transmission Facilities Rates.

On a motion by Terry Strope and seconded by Linda Jedlicka be it:

RESOLVED THAT the Board of Directors of North Central Public Power District approve Policy Bulletin 3110 - Wind Farm Delivery From High Voltage Transmission Facilities Rates as amended and a copy be attached to the minutes of the meeting.

By roll call vote, Terry Strope, yes; Linda Jedlicka, yes; Gordon W. Fulton, yes; Brent Stagemeyer, yes; Gregory W. Walmer, yes; James J. Kounovsky, yes; Mary Ketelsen, yes. Motion carried.

21. Staff Reports.

Brent Eggerling, Manager of Finance and Administration reported on the billing department's monthly operations.

Eric Schroeder, Network Engineer reported on the IT / Network Security department's monthly operations.

Todd Zimmerer, Operations Manager reported on the operation department's monthly operations.

22. Safety report (December 6, 2023 In-House conducted).

The board of directors reviewed the December 6, 2023 In-House conducted safety meeting minutes. On a motion by Gregory W. Walmer and seconded by James J. Kounovsky be it:

RESOLVED THAT the Board of Directors of North Central Public Power District accept the December 6, 2023 Safety meeting minutes as presented, and a copy is to be attached to the minutes of the meeting.

By roll call vote, Gregory W. Walmer, yes; James J. Kounovsky, yes; Gordon W. Fulton, yes; Terry Strope, yes. Brent Stagemeyer, yes; Linda Jedlicka, yes; Mary Ketelsen, yes. Motion carried.

23. CEO/General Manager's report including meetings attended, upcoming meetings, new business and old business.

The Manager's report was given by CEO/General Manager Doyle Hazen.

Meetings attended:

A list of the meetings attended is in the Manager's Report attached to the minutes of the meeting.

Upcoming Meetings:

The upcoming meetings are listed in the attached Manager's report.

New Business:

1. Current cash position report.

Old Business:

1. None

24. Discussion and approval of the December 2023 financials – Manager of Finance and Administration.

Manager of Finance and Administration, Brent Eggerling reviewed the December 2023 financials. On a motion by Gordon W. Fulton and seconded by Brent Stagemeyer be it:

RESOLVED THAT the Board of Directors of North Central Public Power District approve the December 2023 financials as presented and a copy be attached to the minutes of the meeting.

By roll call vote, Gordon W. Fulton, yes; Brent Stagemeyer, yes; Linda Jedlicka, yes; Gregory W. Walmer, yes; James J. Kounovsky, yes; Terry Strope, yes; Mary Ketelsen, yes. Motion carried.

25. Discussion and approval of expenditures covering all monetary encumbrances of the district for the month of December 2023.

On a motion by James J. Kounovsky and seconded by Linda Jedlicka be it:

RESOLVED THAT the Board of Directors of North Central Public Power District approve the expenditures for the month of December 2023 as presented and a copy be attached to the minutes of the meeting.

By roll call vote, James J. Kounovsky, yes; Linda Jedlicka, yes; Gregory W. Walmer, yes; Gordon W. Fulton, yes; Terry Strope, yes; Brent Stagemeyer, yes; Mary Ketelsen, yes. Motion carried.

26. Discussion and approval to set the date and time for the February 2024 Regular Board meeting (the last Monday in February is the 26th).

On a motion by Gregory W. Walmer and seconded by James J. Kounovsky be it:

RESOLVED THAT the Board of Directors of North Central Public Power District set the next Regular board meeting for February 26, 2024 at 6:30 p.m. at the district office.

By roll call vote, Gregory W. Walmer, yes; James J. Kounovsky, yes; Gordon W. Fulton, yes; Terry Strope, yes; Brent Stagemeyer, yes; Linda Jedlicka, yes; Mary Ketelsen, yes. Motion carried.

27. Adjournment.

Board President, Mary Ketelsen adjourned the board meeting at 8:14 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 29, 2024.

Gregory W. Walmer, Secretary

APPROVED:

Mary Ketelsen

Mary Ketelsen, President

Attachments: (To the original minutes)

- Acknowledgment of Notice
- Publishers Affidavit
- 2024 Operating and Non-Operating Budgets and Capital Expenditure Budget
- Eide Bailly CPAs & Business Advisors Engagement Agreement to complete the 2023 Year End Audit for North Central Public Power District
- Policy Bulletin 2160R: Electric Efficiency Incentive Program.
- Discussion and approval to amend Policy Bulletin 3001: <u>Single Phase Rural Residential City of Plainview Rates.</u>
- Discussion and approval to amend Policy Bulletin 3070: <u>Irrigation</u>.
- Discussion and approval to amend <u>Irrigation Supplement to the Application and Agreement for Electric Service Contract.</u>
- Discussion and approval to amend Policy Bulletin 3080: <u>Large Power Rates</u>.
- Discussion and approval to amend Policy Bulletin 3080-1: <u>Large Power Multiple Meters Rates</u>.
- Discussion and approval to amend Policy Bulletin 3110 <u>Wind Farm Delivery From High Voltage Transmission Facilities Rates.</u>
- December 6, 2023 Safety meeting minutes
- Manager's Report
- December 2023 Financials
- December 2023 Check Register