

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING, DECEMBER 18, 2023

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors of North Central Public Power District was held at the district office, Creighton, Nebraska, on Monday, December 18, 2023 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: Brent Stagemeyer, Gregory W. Walmer, James J. Kounovsky, Mary Ketelsen, Linda Jedlicka, Gordon W. Fulton, Terry Strope, said persons being all of the directors.

Also attending were Cindy Schlote, customer; Eric Schroeder, Network Engineer; Todd Zimmerer, Operations Manager; Brent Eggerling, Manager of Finance and Administration; and Doyle Hazen, CEO/General Manager. John Thomas, District Attorney enter the meeting at 7:00 p.m.

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 Mary Ketelsen and seconded by Linda Jedlicka 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, Mary Ketelsen, yes; Linda Jedlicka, yes; Brent Stagemeyer, yes; Gregory W. Walmer, yes; James J. Kounovsky, yes; Gordon W. Fulton, yes; Terry Strope, yes. Motion carried.

5. Approval of the November 27, 2023 Regular Board meeting minutes.

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 dispense with the reading of the November 27, 2023 regular board meeting minutes and approve the minutes as presented.

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

6. 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.

7. Discussion and approval of Resolution 2023-19 for Adoption of Nebraska Rural Electric Association Group Retention Plan Agreement.

On a motion by James J. Kounovsky and seconded by Mary Ketelsen be it:

RESOLVED THAT the Board of Directors of North Central Public Power District approve Resolution 2023-19 for Adoption of Nebraska Rural Electric Association Group Retention Plan Agreement as presented and a copy is to be attached to the minutes of the meeting.

By roll call vote, James J. Kounovsky, yes; Mary Ketelsen, yes; Gregory W. Walmer, yes;

Gordon W. Fulton, yes; Brent Stagemeyer, yes; Linda Jedlicka, yes; Terry Strobe, yes. Motion carried.

8. Presentation of Preliminary 2024 Operating and Non-Operating Budgets and Capital Expenditure Budget.

CEO/General Manager, Doyle Hazen distributed and reviewed the preliminary 2024 Operating and Non-Operating Budgets and Capital Expenditure Budget.

9. Discussion and approval of Production Cost Adjustment (PCA) of (\$.002761) for the month of January 2024 billing.

No action taken.

10. 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.

11. Safety Report (November 1, 2023 Statewide Conducted).

The board of directors reviewed the November 1, 2023, safety report. On a motion by Gregory W. Walmer and seconded by Brent Stagemeyer be it:

RESOLVED THAT the Board of Directors of North Central Public Power District accept the November 1, 2023 safety report as presented and a copy is to be attached to the minutes of the meeting.

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

12. 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. None

Old Business:

1. Strategic Plan Review.

13. Discussion and approval of the November 2023 financials – Manager of Finance and Administration.

Manager of Finance and Administration, Brent Eggerling reviewed the November 2023 financials. 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 approve the November 2023 financials as presented and a copy be attached to the minutes of the meeting.

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

14. Discussion and approval of expenditures covering all monetary encumbrances of the district for the month of November 2023.

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 expenditures for the month of November 2023 as presented and a copy be attached to the minutes of the meeting.

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

15. Discussion and approval to set the date and time for the January 2024 Annual Board meeting (the last Monday in January is the 29th).

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 January 29, 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; Brent Stagemeyer, yes; Linda Jedlicka, yes; Mary Ketelsen, yes; Terry Strope, yes. Motion carried.

16. Board will adjourn into executive session for the purposes of discussing matters related to 2023 Operating and Non-Operating write-offs to, among other things, avoid needless injury to individuals and to reconvene to the Regular board meeting after business is discussed.

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 enter into executive session at 8:15 p.m. for the purposes of discussing matters related to 2023 Operating and Non-Operating write-offs to, among other things, avoid needless injury to individuals and to reconvene to the Regular board meeting after business is discussed.

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

Meeting reconvened at 8:20 p.m.

17. Discussion and possible action to approve the 2023 Operating and Non-Operating

write-offs.

On a motion by Gregory W. Walmer and seconded by Brent Stagemeyer be it:

RESOLVED THAT the Board of Directors of North Central Public Power District approve the 2023 Operating and Non-Operating write-offs as presented and a copy be attached to the minutes of the meeting.

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

18. Adjournment.

Board President, Terry Strope adjourned the board meeting at 8:23 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 regular session, December 18, 2023.

Gregory W. Walmer, Secretary

APPROVED:

Terry Strope, President

Attachments: (To the original minutes)

- Acknowledgment of Notice
- Publishers Affidavit
- Resolution 2023-19 for Adoption of Nebraska Rural Electric Association Group Retention Plan Agreement
- Preliminary 2024 Operating and Non-Operating Budgets and Capital Expenditures Budget
- November 1, 2023 Safety meeting minutes
- Manager's Report
- November 2023 Financials
- November 2023 Check Register
- 2023 Operating and Non-Operating write-offs