

MINUTES OF REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
THE CENTRAL NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER AND IRRIGATION DISTRICT
HOLDREGE, NEBRASKA
MARCH 7, 2016 – 9:00 A.M.

This meeting was publicly advertised in accordance with Section 84-1411 of the Nebraska Statutes by a notice on Radio Station KUVR on February 29, 2016, giving the time, date, and place of the meeting and the information that the Agenda was available in advance at the Office of the Assistant Secretary.

Individual cards giving the time, date, and place of this meeting were mailed to the Directors on February 19, 2016.

The following Directors were present:

Dudley L. Nelson, President	Geoffrey K. Bogle	K. Scott Olson
David L. Rowe, Vice President	Ronald E. Fowler	Roger D. Olson
Robert B. Dahlgren, Treasurer	Robert A. Garrett	Robert L. Petersen
Martin E. Mueller, Secretary	William E. Knoerzer	Gordon N. Soneson

Also present were the following:

Don D. Kraus, General Manager	Jim Brown, Land Administrator
Kevin M. Boyd, Gothenburg Division Mgr.	Jeff J. Buettner, Public Relations Coord.
Cory A. Steinke, Civil Engineer	Holly G. Rahmann, Public Relations Asst.
Rochelle A. Jurgens, Controller	Jim Lauer, Senior Information System Analyst
Dave R. Ford, Irrigation Division Mgr.	Michael C. Klein, Legal Counsel
Mike A. Drain, Natural Resources Mgr.	Emily Anderson, Assistant Secretary

Others present:

Lori Potter, Kearney Hub	John Thorburn, Tri-Basin NRD
Dean Nelson	Dave Kreutz, on behalf of JLDI
Rod "Rook" Thorell	Curtis Scheele, NRCS

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The President announced that information for the public concerning the Open Meetings Act was available for interested parties to view.

At 9:00 AM, the Board President, Dudley L. Nelson, announced that the meeting was open for business and proceeded with roll call.

PUBLIC INPUT: Rod "Rook" Thorell explained a device his family has designed which will be used on irrigation motors to automatically shut them off during a rainfall event if the amount of water needed on a particular field is reached. He stated this device could save thousands of gallons of water per rainfall occurrence and purchased by irrigators through a potential cost-share program with the NRDs. He also asked the Board to consider recharge impacts when approving future canal lining projects.

John Thorburn stated the Tri-Basin and Little Blue NRDs will hold a stakeholder meeting on March 29, 2016 at the Adams County Fairgrounds regarding an integrated management plan.

CONSENT AGENDA: President Nelson asked the Directors if there were items they wished to be removed from the following consent agenda, to be discussed and voted on individually.

- **Approval of Minutes of Regular Business Meeting of the Board of Directors held February 1, 2016**
- **Approval of Minutes of Special Meeting of the Board of Directors held February 26, 2016**
- **Approval of Minutes of Committee Meeting of the Board of Directors held February 26, 2016**
- **Approval of Minutes of Special Committee Meeting of the Board of Directors held March 1, 2016**
- **Approval of Minutes of Special Committee Meeting of the Board of Directors held March 2, 2016**

➤ **Approval of the March Disbursements:**

<i>Hydro Division:</i>	\$993,676.30
Check # 50889, 50967, 31032 & 51098-VOID; Check #s 51100 through 51310 and 8899141 through 8899147 (Accounts Payable);	\$328,246.54
Check #s 9911917 through 9912025 (Payroll)	
<i>Kingsley Division:</i>	\$92,624.91
Check #s 2822 through 2834 (Accounts Payable)	
<i>J-2 Regulating Reservoir Construction Fund:</i>	\$25,537.38
Check #s 1191 through 1197 (Accounts Payable)	
<i>Glendo Division:</i>	\$1,301.13
Check #1106	
<i>Flex Spending Account:</i>	\$1,955.33
Check #6978 to 6982 and 8001 to 8002	

- **Approval of Tractor and Mower Bid: Landmark Implement, Gothenburg, NE - 2016 John Deere tractor and mower - \$135,500.00**
- **Approval of Jeffrey Island Grazing Bid (1-Year Grazing Lease with 4-Year Renewal Option, 1200 acres): David & Kurt Karlberg - \$42,100.00**
- **Approval of Work Order No. 107348 – Tractor with Side and Rear Mower for Supply Canal (\$149,300.00)**
- **Approval of Work Order No. 107354 – Large Drill Press for Gothenburg (\$30,878.00)**
- **Approval of Purchase Requisition No. G-3613 – Radial Drill Press (\$26,875.00)**
- **Approval of Johnson Lake Development, Inc. Service Agreement and Budget Expenditure in the amount of \$67,203.62**
- **Approval of the Lincoln County Sheriff Department’s request for a monetary contribution in the amount of \$744.00 for water/ice rescue equipment**

It was moved by Director Petersen and seconded by Director Knoerzer to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Upon voting on the motion, the following Directors voted therefore: Bogle, Dahlgren, Fowler, Garrett, Knoerzer, Mueller, Nelson, R. Olson, S. Olson, Petersen, Rowe, and Soneson. None voted no and the motion was declared carried.

WATER SERVICE AGREEMENTS: Dave Ford presented the Water Service Agreements which remained unchanged since the February 26, 2016 Committee Meeting of the Board:

System	Acct. No.	Legal Desc.	Landowner	Contr. Acres	Total	Acre
					Chg'd	
Phelps	7162803.....	SW1/4 28-7-16.....	Jerry E & Linda C Larson	145.....(1).....		+145
						(NOTE: 10-yr Termin. Completed – re-signed 145 ac)
Phelps	7172904.....	NE1/4 29-7-17	Stacey L Hallgren.....	107.....(1).....		+60
E65	7201301.....	NE1/4 13-7-20	Michael R Wallander	140.....(1).....		+40
E65	7202702.....	NE1/4 27-7-20	Michael R Wallander	120.....(1).....		+40

IMMEDIATE TERMINATION

E65 7201302.....NW1/413-7-20.....Michael R Wallander 80.....(prior to 2016)

- (1) IPP Amendment to Water Service Agreement for the 2016 irrigation season accompanies new WSA.
- (2) IPP Amendment to Water Service Agreement for the 2016 irrigation season to accompany existing WSA.
- (3) Water Service Agreement terminated after 2015, landowner came-back with new WSA.
- (4) Water Service Agreement in 10-year termination (after 2015), landowner came-back with new WSA.
- (5) Documents are currently being reviewed with landowners and/or are being signed by the landowners.

It was moved by Director Rowe and seconded by Director Knoerzer to approve the Water Service Agreements as presented. Upon voting on the motion, the following Directors voted therefore: Bogle, Dahlgren, Fowler, Garrett, Knoerzer, Mueller, Nelson, R. Olson, S. Olson, Petersen, Rowe, and Soneson. None voted no and the motion was declared carried.

AGRICULTURAL AND PASTURE LEASES: The following agricultural and pasture leases were presented for approval:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Type of Lease</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Rent</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Tract No</u>
Jeff Wilken	Grassland/Pasture Agricultural Lease	9.6	\$217.00	01/01/16 - 12/31/20	Parcel # 1: the SW¼ of Section 15-T8N-R20W and parts of the N½ and NE¼NE¼ of Section 22-T8N-R20W. Parcel # 2: the SE¼ of Section 7-T8N-R20W	A_106 & A_111
Larry Brell	Grassland/Pasture Agricultural Lease	22.6	\$477.00	01/01/16 - 12/31/20	SW¼ of Section 4 and the NW¼ of Section 9, all in T7N-R22	E65_161

It was moved by Director S. Olson and seconded by Director Dahlgren to approve the Agricultural and Pasture Leases as presented. Upon voting on the motion, the following Directors voted therefore: Bogle, Dahlgren, Fowler, Garrett, Knoerzer, Mueller, Nelson, R. Olson, S. Olson, Petersen, Rowe, and Soneson. None voted no and the motion was declared carried.

LAKE MCCONAUGHY SURVEYING AGREEMENT: Jim Brown stated that an updated survey of the K-1 area lots is necessary to realign lot lines to accommodate sewer systems and to clean-up inconsistencies in the lots. The Nebraska Game and Parks Commission originally surveyed the lots, but historically Central has conducted area-wide survey updates. The cost for Dickinson Land Surveyors, Inc. to conduct the survey is a fixed price of \$50,000.00.

It was moved by Director Soneson and seconded by Director Petersen to approve the Agreement for Professional Land Surveying Services with Dickinson Land Surveyors, Inc. for Surveying and Replatting of the K-1 Cabin Area at Lake McConaughy for a fixed price of \$50,000.00. Upon voting on the motion, the following Directors voted therefore: Bogle, Dahlgren, Fowler, Garrett, Knoerzer, Mueller, Nelson, R. Olson, S. Olson, Petersen, Rowe, and Soneson. None voted no and the motion was declared carried.

BUDGET REVISION – E65 BRIDGE: Dave Ford and Rochelle Jurgens presented the Hydro Division Budget Revision #4 to the Bertrand O & M for the Cost Share-E65 Bridge Replacement in Gosper County which increases the budget from \$0.00 to \$65,000.00. The timber bridge at the head of the E65 canal will be replaced with a 14’ x 14’ box culvert which will accommodate flows up to 650 cfs. Central will pay 20% of the project cost, not to exceed \$65,000.00, and the project is expected to begin October 1, 2016.

It was moved by Director S. Olson and seconded by Director Bogle to approve Hydro Division Budget Revision #4 to the Bertrand O & M for the Cost Share-E65 Bridge Replacement in Gosper County in the amount of \$65,000.00. Upon voting on the motion, the following Directors voted therefore: Bogle, Dahlgren, Fowler, Garrett, Knoerzer, Mueller, Nelson, R. Olson, S. Olson, Petersen, Rowe, and Soneson. None voted no and the motion was declared carried.

LETTER OF UNDERSTANDING – GOSPER COUNTY: Dave Ford explained the Letter of Understanding states that Gosper County will replace the timber bridge at E65-0.0h with a 14' x 14' concrete box culvert that will accommodate a flow capacity up to 650 cfs, and Central will pay Gosper County for 20% of the cost of project, not to exceed \$65,000.

It was moved by Director Bogle and seconded by Director Dahlgren to approve the Letter of Understanding with Gosper County for the E65-0.0h bridge replacement. Upon voting on the motion, the following Directors voted therefore: Bogle, Dahlgren, Fowler, Garrett, Knoerzer, Mueller, Nelson, R. Olson, S. Olson, Petersen, Rowe, and Soneson. None voted no and the motion was declared carried.

J-2 REGULATING RESERVOIR: Cory Steinke stated RJH is continuing with soil testing to be used in evaluation of the curtain wall construction concept.

PERSONNEL: There was no discussion.

LEGISLATION: Jeff Buettner presented a brief update of the legislative bills he is following.

DIRECTORS' ATTENDANCE: All Directors were in attendance.

BOARD COMMENTS: Director Nelson commented on an anti-agriculture documentary he watched over the weekend about how much water it takes to raise cattle.

OPERATIONS REPORT: The following operations reports were presented:

- a. Dave Ford reported the E65 pipeline installation is about two-thirds complete. Crews have been clearing silt from the Phelps 3.1 drain structure as it undergoes an inspection to assess whether it could handle J-2 Regulating Reservoir flows. He anticipates Platte River target flows will allow recharge flows to be available March 16-22, 2016. In preparation of beginning canal filling for irrigation, , crews are working to rehabilitate the Elwood pumps and replace the Phelps head gate.
- b. Cory Steinke reported that Lake McConaughy's elevation is at 3,255.4, 84% of capacity and 1,465,200 acre feet. The Environmental Account is shutting down releases so the Diversion Dam will be full. Snowpack is at or below average.
- c. Kevin Boyd explained that divers will be sent down to inspect the tailrace at J-2 since the plant is shut down for an inspection. Crews are finishing drainage ditches, building a dike for Jeffrey Lake dredging, and extending the drain tubes at the Supply Canal.
- d. Don Kraus will attend Governance Committee meetings on Tuesday and Wednesday to discuss Structured Decision Making Processes and Adaptive Management.

The meeting adjourned at 9:44 AM.

ATTEST:

THE CENTRAL NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER
AND IRRIGATION DISTRICT

Martin E. Mueller, Secretary

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Dudley L. Nelson, President