

CENTRAL NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER AND IRRIGATION DISTRICT

HOLDREGE, NEBRASKA

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MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
THE CENTRAL NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER AND IRRIGATION DISTRICT
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DECEMBER 20, 2019 – 9:00 A.M.

This meeting was publicly advertised in accordance with Section 84-1411 of the Nebraska Statutes by notices on KRVN (Lexington) and KUVR (Holdrege) radio stations on December 16, 2019, by legal publication in the Kearney Hub and Holdrege Daily Citizen on December 16, 2019, and the North Platte Telegraph and the Lexington Clipper-Herald on December 14, 2019, 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.

An e-mail giving the time, date, and place of this meeting was sent to the Directors on December 10, 2019.

The following Directors were present:

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

The following Director was absent: Robert L. Petersen

Also present were the following:

Devin M. Brundage, General Manager	Holly G. Rahmann, Public Relations Asst.
Eric R. Hixson, Electrical Project Operations Mgr.	Dusty Way, Irrigation O & M Asst. Supervisor
Mike A. Drain, Nat. Resources & Compliance Mgr.	Meredith Pierce, Asst. Controller
David R. Ford, Irrigation Operations Mgr.	Jim Brown, Compliance Coordinator
Cory A. Steinke, Hydraulic Project Ops. Mgr.	Tyler A. Thulin, Civil Engineer
Anton Hassebrook, Hydroelectric Ops. Super.	Duane Cernousek, Purchasing Agent
Jeff J. Buettner, Govt & Public Relations Mgr.	Charles Brewster, Legal Counsel
Luke Ritz, Land Administrator	Emily Anderson, Assistant Secretary

Others present were:

Colby Johnson, Nebraska Game & Parks Comm.	Carl Bibb, Harry A. Koch Co.
Jim Swenson, Nebraska Game & Parks Comm.	

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

At 9:00 a.m. Board President Rowe announced that the meeting was open for business and proceeded with roll call.

PUBLIC INPUT: None.

CONTRACT NO. 0-691 – RDO TRUCK CENTER FOR 2020 MACK & CHASSIS WITH HENDERSON REAR DUMP BODY: Cory Steinke stated this equipment has been received, inspected and found to be in satisfactory condition. Staff recommends final payment and closure of the contract.

- a. Progress Estimate No. 1 (Final) in the amount of \$139,674.44
- b. Closure of Contract

It was moved by Director Dudley Nelson and seconded by Director Mueller to approve the following items related to Contract No. 0-691 with RDO Truck Center: Progress Estimate No. 1 (Final) in the amount of \$139,674.44 and Closure of the Contract. Upon voting on the motion, the following Directors voted therefore: Bogle, Dahlgren, Fowler, Knoerzer, Mueller, Dave Nelson, Dudley Nelson, R. Olson, S. Olson, Rowe, and Soneson. Absent was: Petersen. None voted no and the motion was declared carried.

2020 BUDGET REVISION: Rochelle Jurgens presented Hydro Division Budget Revision #1 as follows:

	<u>Current Budget</u>	<u>Proposed Budget</u>	<u>Difference</u>
<u>Supply Canal</u>			
Property Insurance	\$73,500	\$206,500	\$133,000
Terrorism Insurance	\$4,800	\$7,500	\$2,700
Liability Insurance	\$73,100	\$67,800	(\$5,300)
General Crime Insurance	\$500	\$300	(\$200)
<u>Administration</u>			
Property Insurance	\$2,500	\$6,900	\$4,400
Worker's Comp Insurance	\$115,700	\$107,500	(\$8,200)
Terrorism Insurance	\$200	\$300	\$100
<u>Irrigation Administration</u>			
Property Insurance	\$3,300	\$9,200	\$5,900
Terrorism Insurance	\$200	\$300	\$100
Liability Insurance	\$22,500	\$20,800	(\$1,700)
<u>Kingsley Hydro</u>			
Property Insurance	\$68,200	\$191,700	\$123,500
Terrorism Insurance	\$4,400	\$7,000	\$2,600
Liability Insurance	\$5,800	\$5,300	(\$500)
		Net Change	\$256,400

Duane Cernousek presented the 2019 to 2020 rate comparisons of the various insurance coverages.

It was moved by Director Dahlgren and seconded by Director S. Olson to approve the Budget Revision as presented with a net change of \$256,400. Upon voting on the motion, the following Directors voted therefore: Bogle, Dahlgren, Fowler, Knoerzer, Mueller, Dave Nelson, Dudley Nelson, R. Olson, S. Olson, Rowe, and Soneson. Absent was: Petersen. None voted no and the motion was declared carried.

BID TAB – ANNUAL PROPERTY/CASUALTY INSURANCE COVERAGE EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2020: Duane Cernousek presented the bid from Harry A. Koch Co. in the amount of \$679,094.00.

It was moved by Director Soneson and seconded by Director Knoerzer to approve the bid from Harry A. Koch Co. in the amount of \$679,094.00. Upon voting on the motion, the following Directors voted therefore: Bogle, Dahlgren, Fowler, Knoerzer, Mueller, Dave Nelson, Dudley Nelson, R. Olson, S. Olson, Rowe, and Soneson. Absent was: Petersen. None voted no and the motion was declared carried.

PERSONNEL: None.

DIRECTORS' ATTENDANCE: It was moved by Director Dudley Nelson and seconded by Director Bogle to excuse the absence of Robert L. Petersen from this meeting. Upon voting on the motion, the following Directors voted therefore: Bogle, Dahlgren, Fowler, Knoerzer, Mueller, Dave Nelson, Dudley Nelson, R. Olson, S. Olson, Rowe, and Soneson. Absent was: Petersen. None voted no and the motion was declared carried.

ADJOURNMENT: It was moved by Director R. Olson and seconded by Director Mueller to adjourn the meeting at 9:21 a.m. Upon voting on the motion, the following Directors voted therefore: Bogle, Dahlgren, Fowler, Knoerzer, Mueller, Dave Nelson, Dudley Nelson, R. Olson, S. Olson, Rowe, and Soneson. Absent was: Petersen. None voted no and the motion was declared carried.

MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETING OF THE
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A postcard giving the time, date, and place of this meeting was mailed to the Directors on December 11, 2019.

The following Directors were present:

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Ronald E. Fowler, Vice President	William E. Knoerzer	Roger D. Olson
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The following Director was absent: Robert L. Petersen

Also present were the following:

Devin M. Brundage, General Manager	Holly G. Rahmann, Public Relations Asst.
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At 9:21 a.m. Board President Rowe announced that the meeting was open for business and proceeded with roll call.

PUBLIC INPUT: None.

CONSENT TO ASSIGNMENT SUMMARY: Three consents at Johnson Lake were approved during the month of December, 2019.

PERMIT TO CONSTRUCT SUMMARY: The following permits were approved during the month of December, 2019:

Permits to Construct Approved by General Manager December 20, 2019			
<u>Name</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Purpose</u>
None			

Permits to Construct Approved by Land Administration Department December 20, 2019 – Johnson Lake			
<u>Name</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Permit & Purpose</u>	<u>Date Approved & Fee</u>
Clark, Daniel and LuAnn	5 Dry Bay Dr. 15	Amended SWAF Permit – Amended to include a 4’x4’ dock anchor pad.	11/19/2019 No application fee
Clark, Daniel and LuAnn	5 Dry Bay Dr. 15	Amended SWAF Permit – Correction of the aerial photo	11/04/2019 No application fee
Hastings, Michael and Julie	143 Mallard Beach Dr. 23	ECS Permit – Install riprap along 20± ft. of shoreline.	10/28/19 No application fee
Schulte, Conly and Kelly	39 North Shore Dr. 8	ECS Permit - Install riprap along 50± ft. of shoreline.	10/22/19 No application fee
Freeborn, Brian and Mary	8 Mallard Cove Dr. 19	ECS Permit - Install riprap along 81± ft. of shoreline.	11/13/2019 \$50.00 application fee
Colter, Steve	22 Lakeview Acres	ECS Permit - Install riprap along 50± ft. of shoreline.	11/18/2019 No application fee
Hemmett, Larry and Judith	47 Bass Bay Dr. 16	DEF Permit – Excavate a 6’ wide area behind the existing riprap across the property and refill excavated area with clean broken concrete and dirt.	12/10/2019 \$50.00 application fee
Brown Cabin, LLC.	17 Sandy Point Dr. 24	Amended DWEL Permit – Amended to include installation of buried propane tank and service lines.	12/04/2019 No application fee
Stieben, Randy and Blakeley	23 Lakeview Acres Dr. 14A	DWEL Permit – Construct a new fence and gate.	12/02/2019 No application fee
Clark, Daniel and LuAnn	5 Dry Bay Dr. 15.	DWEL Permit – Construct a new house with basement and attached garage.	12/04/2019 No Application fee

Permits to Construct Approved by Land Administration Department December 20, 2019 – Lake McConaughy			
<u>Name</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Permit & Purpose</u>	<u>Date Approved & Fee</u>
Schilz, Dennis and Susan	9 K-3 Rd.	DWEL Permit – Install a 3’x4’ metal address sign with a concrete base.	
Ledgerwood, Nathaniel and Karen	60 K-1 Rd.	DWEL Permit – Convert an existing carport into an enclosed garage.	12/06/2019 No application fee

Permits to Construct Approved by Land Administration Department December 20, 2019 – Jeffrey Lake			
<u>Name</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Permit & Purpose</u>	<u>Date Approved & Fee</u>

None			
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Permits to Construct Approved by Land Administration Department December 20, 2019 –Midway Lake			
<u>Name</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Permit & Purpose</u>	<u>Date Approved & Fee</u>
None			

Permits to Construct Approved by Land Administration Department December 20, 2019 – Plum Creek Lake			
<u>Name</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Permit & Purpose</u>	<u>Date Approved & Fee</u>
Fairbanks, David and Carolyn	3 Plum Creek Canyon Dr. 12G	ECS Permit - Install riprap along 175± ft. of shoreline.	11/08/2019 No application fee

WORK ORDER/PURCHASE REQUISITION SUMMARY: Cory Steinke presented the following work order which should have been placed on the December 20, 2019 Special Meeting Agenda for approval with the items related to Contract No. 0-691 with RDO Truck Center:

- a. Work Order No. 107405 – 10 Yard Dump Truck for Gothenburg (\$154,500)

PROGRESS PAYMENT ESTIMATE NO. 4, CONTRACT NO. 0-693, ALLEN BLASTING & COATING, INC. FOR PAINTING OF J-2 PENSTOCK AND SURGE TANK (\$273,388.27): Anton Hassebrook stated the project was completed this week.

POWER AND RECREATION COMMITTEE (12/20/19): Mike Drain gave an overview of the item discussed by the committee before they had to take a recess for this meeting.

- a. Hardship Relief: The Committee recommended Board approval of a 2020 lease rate consistent with the 2019 rate reduction for a lake tenant.

The Power and Recreation Committee will reconvene following this meeting to discuss the remaining items on their agenda.

PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE (12/20/19): Due to a miscommunication, the committee did not meet this morning. The meeting was rescheduled to January 6, 2020.

NEBRASKA GAME AND PARKS COMMISSION – LAKE MCCONAUGHY MASTER PLAN: Colby Johnson and Jim Swenson presented detailed information about the Lake McConaughy Master Plan.

A break was taken at 10:24 a.m. The meeting resumed at 10:37 a.m.

2020 WATER LEASING PROGRAM: Dusty Way reported that 150 accounts totaling 3,018 acres enrolled in the program for 2020. He will seek approval of the contracts at the January 6, 2020 Regular Business Meeting.

BOARD RETREAT 2020 – MARCH 31-APRIL 1, 2020 AT 8:30 A.M., NEBRASKA CITY, NE: Jeff Buettner stated reservations have been made at the Lied Lodge in Nebraska City. This item will be placed on the consent agenda of the January 6, 2020 Regular Business Meeting for approval.

OUT OF STATE TRAVEL: The following out of state travel was reported for December, 2019.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Meeting</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Date</u>
Dave Zorn	North American Crane Workshop	Lubbock, TX	January 8-11, 2020
Dave Ford	Four States Irrigation Council	Fort Collins, CO	January 8-10, 2020
Marcia Trompke	Four States Irrigation Council	Fort Collins, CO	January 8-10, 2020

Dusty Way	Four States Irrigation Council	Fort Collins, CO	January 8-10, 2020
Devin Brundage	NRECA	Palm Desert, CA	January 13-15, 2020
Dave Ford	Irrigation Leader O & M Training Workshop	Phoenix, AZ	January 28-31, 2020

LEGISLATION: Jeff Buettner learned of a potential bill lead by a coalition of NRDs which would require members of the Natural Resources Committee to be residents of Nebraska.

BOARD COMMENTS: Director Dave Nelson advised a hearing on the Mike Cavanaugh well pumping matter will be held today at 2:00 p.m. in the Phelps County District Court. Director Soneson has received multiple compliments on his Central hat. Director Rowe noted that Devin Brundage is on the cover of the January issue of Irrigation Leader. Director Fowler reported there were many eagles present at Johnson Lake yesterday.

LEGAL UPDATE: Charles Brewster reported on Mike Klein's condition. He stated there has been no ruling in the TERC case.

MANAGEMENT REPORTS:

- a. Cory Steinke displayed a social media post from the Nebraska Emergency Management Agency showing the flood warning on the Niobrara River was finally cancelled after 318 days. He complimented Central's staff for the operations efforts taken to preserve structures and control flooding during the high water events this summer.
- b. Anton Hassebrook stated the J-2 painting project is complete. He expects a final bill from the contractor in January, 2020.
- c. Mike Drain will meet in January with NPPD about the potential joint annual operating plan. He is still awaiting a conference call with FERC to discuss the next steps for the Inflow Design Flood plan. He announced that Dave Zorn received his Masters of Science degree in Biology.
- d. Luke Ritz reported agreements have been reached with all Johnson Lake outlet concessionaires.
- e. Tyler Thulin reported Lake McConaughy is at elevation 3,257.2, 1,515,000 acre feet, and 86.9% capacity. Inflows are at 1,100 cfs and outflows are at 1,300 cfs. The Supply Canal is iced over and the water elevation is decreasing at Johnson Lake.
- f. Jeff Buettner conducted a reconnaissance tour in northeast Nebraska for the 2020 Water and Natural Resources Tour. He has an upcoming meeting with Firespring to discuss updates to the District's virtual tour. He plans to participate in 10/11 News's Our Town Holdrege with a 30 second commercial which will be shot in late January or early February. The annual NWRA/NSIA legislative reception will be held on January 29, 2020 at 5:00 p.m. at the Nebraska Club.
- g. Eric Hixson reported the District had a good generation year with 378 Mwh generated on the Supply Canal.
- h. Holly Rahmann reminded everyone the eagle viewing facilities open December 28, 2019. The South Central Water Conference will be held on February 6, 2020 at 10:00 a.m.
- i. Meredith Pierce reported the accounting department has been working to generate the Johnson Lake lease invoices.
- j. Devin Brundage reported management has been conducting hourly employee reviews using the new evaluation tool. Studies of the Platte Alliance Water Supply (PAWS) have been posted to the board website under the News section. The legislation to authorize

another 13-year increment of the Platte Program is included in the spending bill. He will display the new security camera system during the lunch break. He thanked the Directors and staff for a successful year.

PERSONNEL: None.

WORKSHOPS, SEMINARS AND CONFERENCES: None.

BOARD SUB-COMMITTEE MEETING DATES: The Power and Recreation Committee will reconvene following this meeting. The Public Relations Committee will meet after the January 6, 2020 Regular Business Meeting.

ADJOURNMENT: It was moved by Director R. Olson and seconded by Director Bogle to adjourn the meeting at 11:31 AM. Upon voting on the motion, the following Directors voted therefore: Bogle, Dahlgren, Fowler, Knoerzer, Mueller, Dave Nelson, Dudley Nelson, R. Olson, S. Olson, Rowe, and Soneson. Absent was: Petersen. None voted no and the motion was declared carried.

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Others present were:

Lori Potter, Kearney Hub	John Thorburn, Tri-Basin NRD
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The Board President, David L. Rowe, 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 announced that the meeting was open for business and proceeded with roll call.

PUBLIC INPUT: John Thorburn thanked Tyler Thulin and Van Fastenau for their help coordinating diversions into the Victor Lakes WPA. He stated Tri-Basin's new Water Incentive Conservation Program (WCIP) is gaining interest among irrigators and he will make a presentation at the Central District Water Users annual meeting on March 2, 2020. The keynote speaker for the South Central Water Conference on February 6, 2020 is NDNR Director, Jeff Fassett.

CONSENT AGENDA: Devin Brundage gave an overview of the items on the Consent Agenda which were previously presented and discussed at the December 20, 2019 Committee Meeting of

the Board.

President Rowe asked the Directors if there were items they wished to be removed from the Consent Agenda to be discussed and voted on individually. Hearing none, the following items were presented for approval:

- **Approval of Minutes of Regular Business Meeting of the Board of Directors held December 2, 2019**
- **Approval of Minutes of Special Meeting of the Board of Directors held December 20, 2019**
- **Approval of Minutes of Committee Meeting of the Board of Directors held December 20, 2019**
- **Approval of the January disbursements:**

Hydro Division:

Check #s 61153, 61211 & 61314-VOID; Check #s 61281-61487 and 8899963-8899980 (Accounts Payable) \$1,002,852.37

Payroll \$559,330.47

Kingsley Division:

Check # 3172-VOID; Check #s 3172-3182 (Accounts Payable) \$68,566.44

J-2 Regulating Reservoir Construction Fund:

NONE NONE

Glendo Division:

NONE NONE

Flex Spending Account:

Check #s 8161-8163 \$2,775.00

- **Approval of Work Order No. 107405 – 10 Yard Dump Truck for Gothenburg (\$154,500)**
- **Approval of Progress Payment Estimate No. 4, Contract No. 0-693, Allen Blasting & Coating, Inc. for Painting of J-2 Penstock and Surge Tank (\$273,388.27)**
- **Approval of Hardship Relief Request as recommended by the Power and Recreation Committee at their December 20, 2019 meeting**
- **Approval of 2020 Water Leasing Program Acres (150 accounts totaling 3,018 acres)**
- **Approval of 2020 Board Retreat Meetings (March 31, 2020 at 8:30 a.m. at the Lied Lodge, Nebraska City, NE and April 1, 2020 at 8:30 a.m. at the Lied Lodge, Nebraska City, NE)**

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

PURCHASE REQUISITION NO. HA6281 – ALLEN BLASTING & COATING FOR COATING OF INLETS AND OUTLETS OF UPPER THREE SIPHONS ON E-65 CANAL (\$66,418.00): It was moved by Director Soneson and seconded by Director Knoerzer to approve Purchase Requisition No. HA6181 in the amount of \$66,418.00. Upon voting on the motion, the following Directors voted therefore: Bogle, Dahlgren, Fowler, Knoerzer, David Nelson, Dudley Nelson, R. Olson, S. Olson, Rowe, and Soneson. Absent: Mueller and Petersen. None voted no and the motion was declared carried.

LAKE IMPROVEMENT FUND REQUESTS: Mike Drain presented an overview of the items reviewed by the Power and Recreation Committee at the second-half of their December 20, 2019 meeting:

- a. Mallard Beach Jetty/Lighthouse Project at Johnson Lake: Drain stated the committee recommended Board approval to authorize staff to utilize funds to improve the walking surface at the end of the jetty. Director Fowler stated his recollection of the Power and Recreation Committee's recommendation was that funds would be in an amount not-to-exceed \$6,000.00.
- b. Emergency Responder Directional Signage at K-1 Cabin Area at Lake McConaughy: Drain stated the committee recommended Board approval of the use of \$7,325.00 to purchase the signage and cover the cost of installation.

It was moved by Director Dahlgren and seconded by Director S. Olson to approve the expenditures of 1) not-to-exceed \$6,000.00 for the Mallard Beach Jetty/Lighthouse Project at Johnson Lake and 2) \$7,325.00 for the Emergency Responder Directional Signage at the K-1 Cabin Area at Lake McConaughy. Upon voting on the motion, the following Directors voted therefore: Bogle, Dahlgren, Fowler, Knoerzer, David Nelson, Dudley Nelson, R. Olson, S. Olson, Rowe, and Soneson. Absent: Mueller and Petersen. None voted no and the motion was declared carried.

CHANGE LOCATION OF MARCH 2, 2020 REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING TO THE RODEWAY INN: Director S. Olson commented the change in location will allow the meeting to occur at the Rodeway Inn the morning of the annual meeting of the Central District Water Users.

It was moved by Director Dave Nelson and seconded by Director Dudley Nelson to approve a change in location of the March 2, 2020 Regular Business Meeting to the Rodeway Inn, Holdrege, NE. Upon voting on the motion, the following Directors voted therefore: Bogle, Dahlgren, Fowler, Knoerzer, David Nelson, Dudley Nelson, R. Olson, S. Olson, Rowe, and Soneson. Absent: Mueller and Petersen. None voted no and the motion was declared carried.

2020 WATER YEAR OPERATING PLAN – NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT: Mike Drain presented the circumstances which would affect the operations of Lake McConaughy depending on whether diversions were requested by either district during storage season or irrigation season. He stated the Annual Operating Plan also addresses NPPD hydro outages and icing operation, GGS cooling, and potential variations from the plan. Drain informed the Directors that no action is required by the board for the plan to take effect, but the Board may object to the plan, in whole or in part, within thirty days if they desire.

LEGISLATION: Jeff Buettner had nothing new to report.

WORKSHOPS, SEMINARS AND CONFERENCES: None.

PERSONNEL: None.

DIRECTORS' ATTENDANCE: **It was moved by Director R. Olson and seconded by Director Dudley Nelson to excuse the absences of Directors Mueller and Petersen. Upon voting on the motion, the following Directors voted therefore: Bogle, Dahlgren, Fowler, Knoerzer, David Nelson, Dudley Nelson, R. Olson, S. Olson, Rowe, and Soneson. Absent: Mueller and Petersen. None voted no and the motion was declared carried.**

BOARD COMMENTS: None.

LEGAL UPDATE: None.

MANAGEMENT REPORTS: The following operations reports were presented:

- a. Cory Steinke reported the Gothenburg crews have been removing snow and slush from the hydros.
- b. Mike Drain stated many from the public are starting to inquire about the Nebraska Game and Parks Commission's plans to implement their Master Plan. He will work with Holly

Rahmann and Jeff Buettner to develop a strategy to educate the public about the changes.

- c. Mike Drain advised the Directors of the District's policy to require a minimum credit score of 600 to enter into a residential lease at the lakes.
- d. Tyler Thulin stated Lake McConaughy is at elevation 3,257.3, 1,509,100 acre feet, and 86.6% capacity. Inflows and outflows remain around 1,200 cfs. Icing has been minimal so far, aside from one instance which allowed Central to bring levels at Johnson Lake down to normal winter operating levels.
- e. Jeff Buettner reported Holly Rahmann will be responsible for handling the 10/11 News Our Town Holdrege ads which will begin shooting later this month.
- f. Dave Ford stated recharge on the E-65 Canal will continue through January. Crews have been applying riprap along the Phelps and E-65 canals. The building to house the Elwood pump stations is progressing. Rainfall totals for 2019 were as follows: Holdrege 31.93", Minden 33.17", and Bertrand 35.54".
- g. Eric Hixson reported that Jeffrey Hydro froze up last Monday but both units were back online within hours. The year of 2019 was the fourth highest generation year with 378 Mwh generated. He and Rochelle Jurgens met with NPPD recently concerning the Kingsley Hydro budget.
- h. Rochelle Jurgens and the accounting department were busy the past month working to implement the employee benefit changes.

ADJOURNMENT: It was moved by Director Soneson and seconded by Director Fowler to adjourn the Regular Business Meeting of the Board at 9:55 a.m. Upon voting on the motion, the following Directors voted therefore: Bogle, Dahlgren, Fowler, Knoerzer, David Nelson, Dudley Nelson, R. Olson, S. Olson, Rowe, and Soneson. Absent: Mueller and Petersen. None voted no and the motion was declared carried.

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ATTEST:

Robert B. Dahlgren, Secretary

By _____
David L. Rowe, President