

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF  
NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT  
JANUARY 13-14, 2021

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A meeting of the Board of Directors of Nebraska Public Power District was held at the Columbus General Office, Columbus, Nebraska, on Wednesday, January 13, 2021, beginning at 11:13 a.m. Due to concerns surrounding COVID-19, only the Board of Directors and members of NPPD's executive staff were seated in the Board Room, and guests and other members of staff viewed the meeting from conference rooms at the Columbus General Office.

In compliance with state law, legal notice announcing the date, hours, location and availability of the Board agenda for the meeting was published in advance of the meeting in the following newspapers:

- (1) Columbus Telegram, Columbus, Nebraska;
- (2) Kearney Hub, Kearney, Nebraska;
- (3) Lincoln Journal Star, Lincoln, Nebraska;
- (4) Norfolk Daily News, Norfolk, Nebraska;
- (5) North Platte Telegraph, North Platte, Nebraska;
- (6) Omaha World-Herald, Omaha, Nebraska;
- (7) Scottsbluff Star-Herald, Scottsbluff, Nebraska;
- (8) York News-Times, York, Nebraska.

First Vice Chair Johnson called the regular meeting to order on Wednesday, January 13, 2021, at 11:13 a.m. and directed the roll be called:

Present: Jerry L. Chlopek, Fred L. Christensen, Melissa S. Freeland, Mary A. Harding, Bill C. Hoyt, William D. Johnson, Charlie C. Kennedy, Edward J. Schrock, Gary G. Thompson, Aaron D. Troester, Wayne E. Williams

Absent: None

constituting a quorum of the Board of Directors.

First Vice Chair Johnson announced that there was a posting of the Open Meetings Act and copies of the Board agenda in the Board Room and area conference rooms, for anyone wishing to examine those documents.

The first order of business was election of officers for 2021. Pursuant to the District's By-Laws, Directors vote by secret ballot for officer elections. Executive Vice President of External Affairs and General Counsel John C. McClure outlined the protocols for officer elections, and announced that he would collect and tabulate the votes.

LEGAL NOTICE RUN  
PRIOR TO THE  
MEETING

ROLL CALL,  
11:13 A.M.,  
JANUARY 13, 2021

ANNOUNCEMENT OF  
POSTING OF OPEN  
MEETINGS ACT AND  
AGENDA

ELECTION OF  
OFFICERS

Director Christensen nominated Mary A. Harding as Board Chair for 2021; Director Chlopek nominated William D. Johnson as Chair. No other nominations were made and First Vice Chair Johnson declared the nominations closed. Vote totals for Chair were as follows:

Mary A. Harding	5 votes
William D. Johnson	4 votes
Abstentions	2

NOMINATION AND  
ELECTION OF  
BOARD CHAIR

Executive Vice President of External Affairs and General Counsel John C. McClure stated that per the By-Laws, an affirmative vote of a majority of the membership of the Board was required for election to such office, and therefore no winner was declared.

A recess was taken from 11:41 to 11:49 a.m.

RECESS

After reconvening, Directors again voted by secret ballot for Board Chair for 2021, with the same nominations on the table as were previously. Vote totals for Chair were as follows:

Mary A. Harding	6 votes
William D. Johnson	4 votes
Abstentions	1

First Vice Chair Johnson declared Mary A. Harding Chair for 2021 and passed the gavel to Director Harding.

Director Thompson nominated William D. Johnson as First Vice Chair for 2021; Director Johnson declined the nomination. Director Johnson nominated Jerry L. Chlopek as First Vice Chair for 2021. No other nominations were made and Chair Harding declared the nominations closed. Vote totals for First Vice Chair were as follows:

Jerry L. Chlopek	10 votes
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Chair Harding declared Jerry L. Chlopek elected First Vice Chair for 2021.

NOMINATION AND  
ELECTION OF FIRST  
VICE CHAIR

Director Johnson nominated Melissa S. Freelend as Second Vice Chair for 2021. No other nominations were made and Chair Harding declared the nominations closed. Vote totals for Second Vice Chair were as follows:

Melissa S. Freelend	9 votes
Abstentions	1

NOMINATION AND  
ELECTION OF  
SECOND VICE  
CHAIR

Chair Harding declared Melissa S. Freelend elected Second Vice Chair for 2021.

Director Thompson nominated Edward J. Schrock as Secretary for 2021; Director Johnson nominated Wayne E. Williams as Secretary. No other nominations were made and Chair Harding declared the nominations closed. Vote totals for Secretary were as follows:

NOMINATION AND  
ELECTION OF  
SECRETARY

Edward J. Schrock	6 votes
Wayne E. Williams	5 votes

Chair Harding declared Edward J. Schrock elected Secretary for 2021.

Director Thompson nominated Traci L. Bender as Treasurer for 2021. No other nominations were made, and Chair Harding declared the nominations closed. Vote totals for Treasurer were as follows:

NOMINATION AND  
ELECTION OF  
TREASURER

Traci L. Bender	11 votes
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Chair Harding declared Traci L. Bender elected Treasurer for 2021.

The following appointments of staff members were recommended by Treasurer Traci L. Bender, stating that these appointments are for the purpose of authorizing such persons to sign on behalf of the Treasurer for the disbursement of District funds:

Donna K. Starzec	Assistant Treasurer*
Christine A. Pillen	Deputy Assistant Treasurer*
Joni J. Davis	Authorized Signatory*
Mark A. Weeder	Authorized Signatory*
David J. Mazankowski	Authorized Signatory*
Sheila M. Sommermeyer	Authorized Signatory
Joan G. Witt	Authorized Signatory

\*Authorized to invest and manage NPPD funds in accordance with Board-approved investment policies.

**It was moved by Director Chlopek and seconded by Director Freelend that the Board confirm the appointments of Donna K. Starzec as Assistant Treasurer; Christine A. Pillen as Deputy Assistant Treasurer; and Joni J. Davis, Mark A. Weeder, David J. Mazankowski, Sheila M. Sommermeyer, and Joan G. Witt as Authorized Signatories for 2021. Votes were cast and recorded as follows:**

**MOTION (CARRIED):  
CONFIRM  
APPOINTMENTS OF  
ASSISTANT  
TREASURER,  
DEPUTY ASSISTANT  
TREASURER, AND  
AUTHORIZED  
SIGNATORIES FOR  
2021**

Voting Aye:	Chlopek, Christensen, Freelend, Harding, Hoyt, Johnson, Kennedy, Schrock, Thompson, Troester, Williams
Voting Nay:	None
Abstaining:	None
Present But Not Voting:	None
Absent:	None

Whereupon the Chair declared the motion carried.

**It was moved by Director Schrock and seconded by Director Hoyt that the Board confirm the appointments of Janette Modelski as Assistant Secretary, and Sandra Keefover as Deputy Assistant Secretary for 2021. Votes were cast and recorded as follows:**

Voting Aye:	Chlopek, Christensen, Freelend, Harding, Hoyt, Johnson, Kennedy, Schrock, Thompson, Troester, Williams
Voting Nay:	None
Abstaining:	None
Present But Not Voting:	None
Absent:	None

**MOTION (CARRIED):  
CONFIRM  
APPOINTMENT OF  
ASSISTANT  
SECRETARY AND  
DEPUTY ASSISTANT  
SECRETARY FOR  
2021**

Whereupon the Chair declared the motion carried.

A lunch recess was taken from 12:12 to 1:00 p.m.

LUNCH RECESS

Chair Harding recommended the following Committee appointments for 2021, to be effective immediately (first person named is Chair; second person named is First Vice Chair; third person named is Second Vice Chair):

**Energy Supply:**

Kennedy  
Schrock  
Hoyt  
Thompson  
Williams

**Customer and Support Services:**

Chlopek  
Christensen  
Johnson  
Troester  
Freelend

**Nuclear (Committee of the Whole):**

Johnson  
Freelend  
Hoyt  
Chlopek  
Christensen  
Harding  
Kennedy  
Schrock  
Thompson  
Troester  
Williams

**Audit, Risk and Compliance:**

Harding  
Chlopek  
Freelend  
Schrock

**Board Governance and Strategic Planning:**

Thompson  
Kennedy  
Williams  
Troester

**Budget:**

Freelend  
Hoyt  
Christensen  
Chlopek  
Schrock

**Chartered Territory (Ad Hoc):**

Schrock  
Thompson  
Chlopek  
Johnson

**It was moved by Director Chlopek and seconded by Director Schrock that the foregoing Committee appointments for 2021 be approved, effective immediately. Votes were cast and recorded as follows:**

Voting Aye:	Chlopek, Christensen, Freelend, Harding, Hoyt, Johnson, Kennedy, Schrock, Thompson, Troester, Williams
Voting Nay:	None
Abstaining:	None
Present But Not Voting:	None
Absent:	None

Whereupon the Chair declared the motion carried.

Executive Vice President of External Affairs and General Counsel John C. McClure made a presentation regarding best practices and legal responsibilities with regard to board governance, including statutory responsibilities and requirements of Directors, potential conflicts of interest, NPPD’s corporate and Board Governance policies, and recommended best practices and suggestions for performance monitoring for Boards.

President and Chief Executive Officer Thomas J. Kent outlined basic foundations for development of a strategic plan and elements necessary for an organization to think strategically. Included in Mr. Kent’s presentation

**MOTION (CARRIED):  
APPROVE  
COMMITTEE  
APPOINTMENTS  
FOR 2021**

**CORPORATE  
GOVERNANCE  
DISCUSSION –  
LEGAL  
REQUIREMENTS  
AND BEST  
PRACTICES**

**STRATEGIC  
PLANNING  
DISCUSSION**

were reviews of the District’s vision and mission, values, and Board Strategic Directives, and a listing of the Executive Planning Council’s top five strategic priorities for 2021 and beyond. Management plans to work within the Board Governance and Strategic Planning Committee over the next several months as development of the District’s Strategic Plan begins, with periodic updates to be provided to the full Board and customers.

Director Kennedy temporarily stepped out of the room.

**It was moved by Director Christensen and seconded by Director Williams that the Board go into Executive Session at 3:23 p.m. to protect the public interest and discuss competitive and proprietary information, pending and potential litigation, and receive legal advice. Votes were cast and recorded as follows:**

Voting Aye:	Chlopek, Christensen, Freelend, Harding, Hoyt, Johnson, Schrock, Thompson, Troester, Williams
Voting Nay:	None
Abstaining:	None
Present But Not Voting:	None
Absent:	Kennedy

Whereupon the Chair declared the motion carried.

Following the vote to go into executive session, a recess was taken from 3:24 to 3:31 p.m. Director Kennedy entered the room during the recess.

Chair Harding announced the executive session was ended at 4:51 p.m., during which nothing was discussed beyond the items declared: competitive and proprietary information, pending and potential litigation, and receive legal advice.

The meeting was recessed at 4:51 p.m., to reconvene on Thursday, January 14, 2021.

**JANUARY 14, 2021**

Chair Harding called the regular meeting to order on Thursday, January 14, 2021, at 10:00 a.m., and directed the roll to be called:

Present: Jerry L. Chlopek, Melissa S. Freelend, Mary A. Harding, Charlie C. Kennedy, Edward J. Schrock, Gary G. Thompson, Aaron D. Troester, Wayne E. Williams

Absent: Fred L. Christensen, Bill C. Hoyt, William D. Johnson

constituting a quorum of the Board of Directors.

**MOTION (CARRIED):  
GO INTO EXECUTIVE  
SESSION AT  
3:23 P.M. TO  
PROTECT THE  
PUBLIC INTEREST,  
DISCUSS  
COMPETITIVE AND  
PROPRIETARY  
INFORMATION,  
PENDING AND  
POTENTIAL  
LITIGATION, AND  
RECEIVE LEGAL  
ADVICE**

RECESS

EXECUTIVE  
SESSION ENDED AT  
4:51 P.M.

ROLL CALL,  
10:00 A.M.,  
JANUARY 14, 2021

Director Johnson entered the meeting shortly after roll call.

Due to concerns surrounding COVID-19, only the Board of Directors and members of NPPD's executive staff were seated in the Board Room, and guests and other members of staff viewed the meeting from conference rooms at the Columbus General Office. The January 14, 2021, proceedings were also live streamed over the internet, and recorded.

Chair Harding announced that there was a posting of the Open Meetings Act and copies of the Board agenda in the Board Room and area conference rooms, for anyone wishing to examine those documents.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF  
POSTING OF OPEN  
MEETINGS ACT AND  
AGENDA

Guests at the meeting included Darin Bloomquist, Nebraska Electric G&T; Jon Dockhorn, Burt County Public Power District; Mark Kirby, Butler Public Power District; Mike Lammers, Cedar-Knox Public Power District; Clay Gibbs and Brian Strong, Cornhusker Public Power District; Chet McWhorter, Cuming County Public Power District; Mark Miller, Tom Rudloff, and Rod Zohner, Elkhorn Rural Public Power District; Dirk Dietz, Howard Greeley Rural Public Power District; Bob Beatty, KBR Rural Public Power District; and Chad Waldow, Stanton County Public Power District.

GUESTS  
WELCOMED TO  
MEETING

During the time designated for public comments, Cuming County Public Power District General Manager Chet McWhorter addressed the Board.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

A legislative update was provided during the Energy Supply Committee meeting, which was attended by all Directors present.

LEGISLATIVE  
UPDATE

Chair Harding asked for discussion of any consent agenda items, which included the following:

CONSENT AGENDA

- Minutes of December 9-10, 2020, Regular Board Meeting
- March 2021 Regular Board Meeting Scheduled for March 10-11, 2021, in Columbus (February 2021 Regular Board Meeting Previously Scheduled for February 10-11, 2021, in Columbus)
- Ratification/Confirmation of Signatures of Staff Members
- November 2020 Summary of Disbursements

Chair Harding asked whether any Directors desired any items on the consent agenda to be placed on the regular agenda and voted on separately. There were none.

**It was moved by Director Johnson and seconded by Director Thompson that all items on the consent agenda be approved as listed above. Votes were cast and recorded as follows:**

**MOTION (CARRIED):  
APPROVE CONSENT  
AGENDA**

Voting Aye: Chlopek, Freelend, Harding, Johnson, Kennedy, Schrock, Thompson, Troester, Williams  
 Voting Nay: None  
 Abstaining: None  
 Present But Not Voting: None  
 Absent: Christensen, Hoyt

Whereupon the Chair declared the motion carried.

President and Chief Executive Officer Thomas J. Kent read an excerpt from NPPD's "CNS Tools for Excellence" pocket guide.

Vice President of Corporate Strategy and Innovation Timothy J. Arlt, serving as Emergency Manager and Director of the District's Executive Response Team for the COVID-19 Pandemic Response, provided a pandemic update to the Board and indicated that NPPD remains at an elevated risk status with regard to the Pandemic Response Plan, which equates to "a predicted high-risk health threat to NPPD teammates and their families", and indicated that this status would not likely change anytime soon.

COVID-19 PANDEMIC  
UPDATE

Mr. Arlt reviewed the historical positive COVID cases experienced by NPPD; after a spike in November, case counts decreased and as of January 14, a total of 263 teammates tested positive for the virus since the beginning of the pandemic, with most experiencing mild symptoms and full recovery.

Information and statistics regarding vaccination efforts across the state were presented and will become a part of the regular monthly update to the Board. A brief overview of NPPD's vaccination plans and a status report of employee vaccination efforts were provided. NPPD continues to work with regional health districts on all issues related to the pandemic, including vaccination planning and communication of the number of employees that fall into each phase of vaccine distribution.

A video highlighting various District achievements for 2020 was shown.

NPPD 2020  
YEAR-END  
PERFORMANCE  
REVIEW

President and Chief Executive Officer Thomas J. Kent introduced NPPD's latest advertising campaign, "Powering Your Everyday, Every Day". The television, social media, internet and print ads feature customers sharing what they value about NPPD beyond the generation and delivery of electricity. A video spot that highlighted Handlebend Handmade Copper Mugs in O'Neill was shown; additional spots will be shared with the Board at future meetings.



President and Chief Executive Officer Thomas J. Kent provided an update on NPPD employee staffing levels, and presented the Report on Retirements and Former District Employee Rehires which is on file with the Assistant Secretary and attached and made a part of these minutes.

EMPLOYEE  
COUNTS,  
RETIREMENTS AND  
REHIRES FOR  
JANUARY 2021

During the time designated for Directors' comments and questions, Director Schrock provided brief comments on the agricultural industry.

DIRECTORS'  
COMMENTS

The Nuclear Committee of the Whole, chaired by Director Johnson, met Thursday, January 14, 2021, from 10:47 to 11:10 a.m. during the Board of Directors meeting.

NUCLEAR  
COMMITTEE OF THE  
WHOLE

Senior Project Manager Russ L. Wenzl reviewed Contract No. 21-002, Install Water Line (CNS). Director Johnson, Chair of the Nuclear Committee, recommended the following resolution:

**RESOLUTION NO. 21-1**

**RESOLUTION  
NO. 21-1 (ADOPTED):  
AWARD CONTRACT  
NO. 21-002, INSTALL  
WATER LINE (CNS),  
TO MIDWEST  
INFRASTRUCTURE,  
INC., FIRM BASE BID  
PRICE OF  
\$620,882.26**

WHEREAS, pursuant to and in accordance with law, bids on Contract No. 21-002, Install Water Line, Cooper Nuclear Station, have been duly invited, received, opened, read, and tabulated; and

WHEREAS, management has studied and analyzed the bids and recommended acceptance of a certain bid as the lowest and best evaluated bid, as per data filed with the Board; and

WHEREAS, on the basis of evidence and information received, and after an analysis of the responsibility of the bidders, amounts and terms of the bids, delivery dates, and the needs of the District, this Board has determined and does hereby find that the bid of Midwest Infrastructure, Inc., Lincoln, Nebraska, is the lowest and best evaluated bid on Contract No. 21-002.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that, subject to receipt and approval of a performance bond and certificate of insurance as herein provided, the following bid submitted on Contract No. 21-002 be accepted by the District:

Midwest Infrastructure, Inc., Lincoln, Nebraska, firm base bid price of \$620,882.26.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the President or a Vice President be, and each of them is hereby authorized and instructed to execute for and on behalf of the District, a Contract with the aforementioned bidder in accordance with the plans and specifications and on the form of Contract submitted to bidders.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the award of the Contract is contingent upon receipt and approval by the District of a performance bond and certificate of insurance from Midwest Infrastructure, Inc., as provided in the Contract.

**It was moved by Director Freelend and seconded by Director Harding that the foregoing resolution be adopted. Votes were cast and recorded as follows:**

Voting Aye:	Chlopek, Freelend, Harding, Johnson, Kennedy, Schrock, Thompson, Troester, Williams
Voting Nay:	None
Abstaining:	None
Present But Not Voting:	None
Absent:	Christensen, Hoyt

Whereupon the Chair of the Nuclear Committee declared Resolution No. 21-1 adopted.

Senior Project Manager Russ L. Wenzl Amendment No. 1 to Contract No. 19-045, Reactor Feed Pump Turbine Refurbishment (CNS). Contract No. 19-045 was awarded to Siemens Demag Delaval Turbomachinery, Inc., under an engineer's certificate approved by the Board in November 2019. The original Contract scope included procurement of necessary materials and services to inspect and refurbish Reactor Feed Pump Turbine "A" rotor, and one complete set of diaphragms prior to the Fall 2020 Refueling Outage. Additional repairs were required, and unanticipated recommendations were made by the vendor for the equipment, resulting in additional costs above \$500,000 and thus requiring Board consideration.

**It was moved by Director Chlopek and seconded by Director Kennedy to approve Amendment No. 1 to Contract No. 19-045, Reactor Feed Pump Turbine Refurbishment (CNS), in the amount of \$711,856. Votes were cast and recorded as follows:**

Voting Aye:	Chlopek, Freelend, Harding, Johnson, Kennedy, Schrock, Thompson, Troester, Williams
Voting Nay:	None
Abstaining:	None
Present But Not Voting:	None
Absent:	Christensen, Hoyt

Whereupon the Chair of the Nuclear Committee declared the motion carried.

Vice President and Chief Nuclear Officer John A. Dent, Jr., provided an update regarding Cooper Nuclear Station.

Director Kennedy, Chair of the Energy Supply Committee, reported that the Energy Supply Committee met Thursday morning, January 14, 2021.

**MOTION (CARRIED):  
APPROVE  
AMENDMENT NO. 1  
TO CONTRACT NO.  
19-045, REACTOR  
FEED PUMP  
TURBINE  
REFURBISHMENT  
(CNS)**

CNS MONTHLY  
UPDATE

ENERGY SUPPLY  
COMMITTEE  
REPORT

Director Kennedy, Chair of the Energy Supply Committee, recommended the following resolution:

**RESOLUTION NO. 21-2**

WHEREAS, the Hallam Combustion Turbine (“Hallam CT”) can use natural gas as the primary fuel for generating electricity and Sheldon Station uses natural gas for flame stabilization, which requires that the District enter into new contracts or amend existing contracts for the supply, transportation, and balancing of such natural gas; and

WHEREAS, the existing contracts for the supply, transportation, and balancing of natural gas to the Hallam CT and Sheldon Station expire on March 31, 2021; and

WHEREAS, due to the volatility of the natural gas market, the price of natural gas and transportation changes on a daily basis so proposals from natural gas suppliers are typically valid for one day or less. Management is in the best position to obtain the lowest natural gas, transportation, and balancing price by selecting the price and supplier for the natural gas supply, transportation, and balancing contracts on the same day that the price quotations are received from natural gas suppliers, which prevents a recommendation for contracts with a specific supplier or suppliers from being presented to the Board for approval in advance of entering into a binding agreement with the natural gas supplier with the best price; and

WHEREAS, the natural gas suppliers and transporters for the natural gas supply, transportation, and balancing service to the Hallam CT and Sheldon Station will be determined through negotiations with the various companies which own capacity on the pipeline and that have a potential to supply natural gas to these plants, and that said natural gas supply, transportation, and balancing contracts shall be for a term that shall not begin prior to April 1, 2021, and shall not extend past March 31, 2024; and

WHEREAS, during said period of time management has estimated the cost of such contracts should be in a total amount not to exceed \$4,130,000.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that management be and hereby is authorized to engage in negotiations with selected natural gas suppliers and transporters for the sale, transportation, and balancing of natural gas to the Hallam CT and Sheldon Station for the period of April 1, 2021, through March 31, 2024, in a total dollar amount not to exceed \$4,130,000 and, based on the lowest and best evaluated price and service proposal solicited from said suppliers, to execute new or amend existing natural gas supply, transportation, and balancing contracts for said total amount and duration at such time that said contracts or amendments are in form acceptable to management and legal counsel.

**RESOLUTION  
NO. 21-2 (ADOPTED):  
APPROVE  
NEGOTIATIONS FOR  
NATURAL GAS  
SUPPLY,  
TRANSPORTATION  
AND BALANCING  
CONTRACTS FOR  
SHELDON STATION  
AND HALLAM  
COMBUSTION  
TURBINE, 4/1/21-  
3/31/24**

**It was moved by Director Kennedy and seconded by Director Thompson that the foregoing resolution be adopted. Votes were cast and recorded as follows:**

Voting Aye: Chlopek, Freelend, Harding, Johnson, Kennedy, Schrock, Thompson, Troester, Williams  
 Voting Nay: None  
 Abstaining: None  
 Present But Not Voting: None  
 Absent: Christensen, Hoyt

Whereupon the Chair declared Resolution No. 21-2 adopted.

Director Kennedy, Chair of the Energy Supply Committee, presented the following Capital Projects Report:

Report No. ES-1 Capital Projects \$500,000 and above not specifically identified in the Budget that require approval by the Board for the period December 1, 2020, through December 31, 2020 – 2020 Capital Additions Budget.

**It was moved by Director Kennedy and seconded by Director Freelend that Capital Projects Report No. ES-1 (2020 Budget) be approved for the period December 1, 2020, through December 31, 2020, which included Capital Project C/6641, Ash Landfill No. 4 Partial Cover, Phase 1 Closure (Sheldon Station). Votes were cast and recorded as follows:**

Voting Aye: Chlopek, Freelend, Harding, Johnson, Kennedy, Schrock, Thompson, Troester, Williams  
 Voting Nay: None  
 Abstaining: None  
 Present But Not Voting: None  
 Absent: Christensen, Hoyt

Whereupon the Chair declared the motion carried.

Director Kennedy, Chair of the Energy Supply Committee, presented the following Capital Projects Report:

Report No. ET-1 Capital Projects \$500,000 and above not specifically identified in the Budget that require approval by the Board for the period December 1, 2020, through December 31, 2020 – 2020 Capital Additions Budget.

**MOTION (CARRIED):  
 APPROVE CAPITAL  
 PROJECTS REPORT  
 NO. ES-1 (2020  
 BUDGET)**

**It was moved by Director Kennedy and seconded by Director Chlopek that Capital Projects Report No. ET-1 (2020 Budget) be approved for the period December 1, 2020, through December 31, 2020, which included Capital Project C/9871, SAP SuccessFactors – Employee Central and Benefitfocus. Votes were cast and recorded as follows:**

Voting Aye:	Chlopek, Freelend, Harding, Johnson, Kennedy, Schrock, Thompson, Troester, Williams
Voting Nay:	None
Abstaining:	None
Present But Not Voting:	None
Absent:	Christensen, Hoyt

Whereupon the Chair declared the motion carried.

Director Kennedy, Chair of the Energy Supply Committee, reported that the Energy Supply Committee also received highlights related to the following matters: 1) Energy Supply monthly generation performance; 2) Energy Supply look-ahead for February 2021; 3) Water Supply; and 4) Governmental Affairs.

Director Schrock temporarily stepped out of the room.

Director Chlopek, Chair of the Customer and Support Services Committee, reported that the Customer and Support Committee met Thursday morning, January 14, 2021.

Accounting Manager Joni J. Davis presented financial performance measures for November 2020, as well as the monthly financial report, which indicated that operating revenues from electric sales were \$6.6 million under budget for the month, and \$28.7 million under budget year to date. Firm electric sales were \$2.5 million under budget for the month, and \$11.2 million under budget year to date. Other electric sales were \$4.1 million under budget for the month, and \$17.5 million under budget year to date. Total operating expenses were under budget by \$12.6 million for the month, and \$19.3 million under budget year to date. The balance in the Unearned Revenues account as of November 30, 2020, was \$212.4 million. This balance represents surplus net revenues to be applied to revenue requirements in future rate periods.

**It was moved by Director Chlopek and seconded by Director Johnson that the November 2020 Financial Statements be accepted, as presented. Votes were cast and recorded as follows:**

**MOTION (CARRIED):  
APPROVE CAPITAL  
PROJECTS REPORT  
NO. ET-1 (2020  
BUDGET)**

**CUSTOMER AND  
SUPPORT SERVICES  
COMMITTEE  
REPORT**

**NOVEMBER 2020  
FINANCIAL  
STATEMENTS**

**MOTION (CARRIED):  
ACCEPT  
NOVEMBER 2020  
FINANCIAL  
STATEMENTS**

Voting Aye: Chlopek, Freelend, Harding, Johnson, Kennedy,  
Thompson, Troester, Williams  
Voting Nay: None  
Abstaining: None  
Present But Not Voting: None  
Absent: Christensen, Hoyt, Schrock

Whereupon the Chair declared the motion carried.

Director Schrock entered the room.

Accounting Manager Joni J. Davis presented preliminary year-end 2020 financial results, which indicated a year-end surplus of \$13.0 million. The Board will be asked to consider acceptance of the finalized (unaudited) 2020 year-end financial statements at the February meeting.

PRELIMINARY  
YEAR-END 2020  
FINANCIAL  
STATEMENTS

Accounting Manager Joni J. Davis provided information regarding a recommendation from the District's investment advisor, Segal Marco, for an additional investment manager for real estate for the Other Post-Employment Benefits (OPEB) Trust to complement existing real estate investments. Segal Marco's recommendation included an initial investment of \$11.5 million in Boyd Watterson's General Services Administration (GSA) Fund, which includes properties comprised solely of buildings leased by various agencies of the federal government. This item will be brought back to the Board for consideration in February.

OPEB TRUST  
GOVERNMENT  
PROPERTY REAL  
ESTATE FUND  
INVESTMENT  
MANAGER – BOYD  
WATTERSON GSA  
FUND

Director of Finance and Financial Planning Donna K. Starzec provided information on a proposed forward bond sale for potential savings due to current low interest rates, targeting certain District generation and transmission assets. Ms. Starzec stated that the District currently has approximately \$411 million of tax-exempt bonds callable on January 1, 2022, which can be redeemed 90 days prior to the call date. The bonds, which financed capital projects from generation, transmission and distribution levels of service, include multiple bond issues: 2012 Series A, 2013 Series A, 2014 Series A Series C, and 2015 Series A-2. The District is currently examining the forward bond sale, which would target only a portion of the current callable bonds related to certain generation and transmission assets of approximately \$280 million. Management plans to bring a thirty-second supplemental revenue bond resolution, outlining the parameters of the bond sale, to the Board for consideration in February. If approved, the 2021 Series A and Series B General Revenue Bonds would be priced in late February, with a preliminary close of the bond sale in March, and a final settlement of the 2021 Series A and Series B Bond Sale likely in October.

THIRTY-SECOND  
SUPPLEMENTAL  
REVENUE BOND  
PARAMETERS  
RESOLUTION,  
GENERAL REVENUE  
BONDS, 2021  
SERIES A AND  
SERIES B UPDATE

Director Chlopek, Chair of the Customer and Support Services Committee, recommended the following resolution:

**RESOLUTION NO. 21-3**

WHEREAS, pursuant to and in accordance with law, bids on Contract No. 21-005, 6x4, 56,000 Gross Vehicle Weight Rating (GVWR) Cab and Chassis, have been duly invited, received, opened, read, and tabulated; and

WHEREAS, management has studied and analyzed the bids and recommended acceptance of a certain bid as the lowest and best evaluated bid, as per data filed with the Board; and

WHEREAS, on the basis of evidence and information received, and after an analysis of the responsibility of the bidders, amounts and terms of the bids, delivery dates, and the needs of the District, this Board has determined and does hereby find that the bid of Truck Center Companies, Lincoln, Nebraska, is the best evaluated bid on Contract No. 21-005.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that, subject to receipt and approval of a performance bond and certificate of insurance as herein provided, the following bid submitted on Contract No. 21-005 be accepted by the District:

Truck Center Companies, Lincoln, Nebraska, firm  
base bid price of \$421,758.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the President or a Vice President be, and each of them is hereby authorized and instructed to execute for and on behalf of the District, a Contract with the aforementioned bidder in accordance with the plans and specifications and on the form of Contract submitted to bidders.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the award of the Contract is contingent upon receipt and approval by the District of a performance bond and certificate of insurance from Truck Centers Companies, as provided in the Contract.

**It was moved by Director Chlopek and seconded by Director Johnson that the foregoing resolution be adopted. Votes were cast and recorded as follows:**

Voting Aye:	Chlopek, Freeland, Harding, Johnson, Kennedy, Schrock, Thompson, Troester, Williams
Voting Nay:	None
Abstaining:	None
Present But Not Voting:	None
Absent:	Christensen, Hoyt

Whereupon the Chair declared Resolution No. 21-3 adopted.

Director Chlopek, Chair of the Customer and Support Services Committee, recommended the following resolution:

**RESOLUTION NO. 21-3 (ADOPTED):  
AWARD CONTRACT NO. 21-005, 6x4, 56,000 GVWR CAB AND CHASSIS, TO TRUCK CENTER COMPANIES, FIRM BASE BID PRICE OF \$421,758**

**RESOLUTION NO. 21-4**

WHEREAS, pursuant to and in accordance with law, bids on Contract No. 21-007, Digger Derricks, have been duly invited, received, opened, read, and tabulated; and

WHEREAS, management has studied and analyzed the bids and recommended acceptance of a certain bid as the lowest and best evaluated bid, as per data filed with the Board; and

WHEREAS, on the basis of evidence and information received, and after an analysis of the responsibility of the bidders, amounts and terms of the bids, delivery dates, and the needs of the District, this Board has determined and does hereby find that the bid of Custom Truck One Source, Kansas City, Missouri, is the best evaluated bid on Contract No. 21-007.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that, subject to receipt and approval of a performance bond and certificate of insurance as herein provided, the following bid submitted on Contract No. 21-007 be accepted by the District:

Custom Truck One Source, Kansas City, Missouri,  
firm base bid price of \$871,324.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the President or a Vice President be, and each of them is hereby authorized and instructed to execute for and on behalf of the District, a Contract with the aforementioned bidder in accordance with the plans and specifications and on the form of Contract submitted to bidders.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the award of the Contract is contingent upon receipt and approval by the District of a performance bond and certificate of insurance from Custom Truck One Source, as provided in the Contract.

**It was moved by Director Chlopek and seconded by Director Freelend that the foregoing resolution be adopted. Votes were cast and recorded as follows:**

Voting Aye:	Chlopek, Freelend, Harding, Johnson, Kennedy, Schrock, Thompson, Troester, Williams
Voting Nay:	None
Abstaining:	None
Present But Not Voting:	None
Absent:	Christensen, Hoyt

Whereupon the Chair declared Resolution No. 21-4 adopted.

Director Chlopek, Chair of the Energy Supply Committee, presented the following Capital Projects Report:

**RESOLUTION  
NO. 21-4 (ADOPTED):  
AWARD CONTRACT  
NO. 21-007, DIGGER  
DERRICKS, TO  
CUSTOM TRUCK  
ONE SOURCE, FIRM  
BASE BID PRICE OF  
\$871,324**



Report No. CSD-1 Capital Projects \$500,000 and above not specifically identified in the Budget that require approval by the Board for the period December 1, 2020, through December 31, 2020 – 2020 Capital Additions Budget.

**It was moved by Director Chlopek and seconded by Director Schrock that Capital Projects Report No. CSD-1 (2020 Budget) be approved for the period December 1, 2020, through December 31, 2020, which included: 1) Capital Project C/ C/3994, Benjamin Avenue Distribution Road Project (Norfolk); and 2) Capital Project C/ C/6819, Supplement No. 1, New Theford 345 kV Substation (R-Project). Votes were cast and recorded as follows:**

Voting Aye:	Chlopek, Freeland, Harding, Johnson, Kennedy, Schrock, Thompson, Troester, Williams
Voting Nay:	None
Abstaining:	None
Present But Not Voting:	None
Absent:	Christensen, Hoyt

Whereupon the Chair declared the motion carried.

The monthly Transmission Projects Update was included in the electronic file provided to the Board.

Director Chlopek, Chair of the Customer and Support Services Committee, reported that the Committee also heard reports on the following matters: 1) Preliminary Year-End 2020 Financial Statements; 2) Commercial/Bank Depository Update; 3) OPEB Trust Government Property Real Estate Fund Investment Manager – Boyd Watterson GSA; 4) 2021 Series A and Series B General Revenue Bonds, Parameters Resolution Update; 5) Retail Business Unit performance; and 6) Customer Services and Delivery look-ahead for February 2021.

Director Schrock reported that the Board Governance and Strategic Planning Committee met Wednesday afternoon, January 13, 2021.

**It was moved by Director Schrock and seconded by Director Chlopek to approve revisions to the District’s By-Laws, to 1) define and identify the Board Executive Committee membership, and 2) reassign governmental affairs responsibilities from the Energy Supply Committee to the Audit, Risk and Compliance Committee. Votes were cast and recorded as follows:**

**MOTION (CARRIED):  
APPROVE CAPITAL  
PROJECTS REPORT  
NO. CSD-1 (2020  
BUDGET)**

TRANSMISSION  
PROJECTS UPDATE

CUSTOMER AND  
SUPPORT SERVICES  
COMMITTEE  
REPORT

BOARD  
GOVERNANCE AND  
STRATEGIC  
PLANNING  
COMMITTEE  
REPORT

**MOTION (CARRIED):  
APPROVE REVISION  
TO NPPD BY-LAWS**

Voting Aye: Chlopek, Freelend, Harding, Johnson, Kennedy,  
Schrock, Thompson, Troester, Williams  
Voting Nay: None  
Abstaining: None  
Present But Not Voting: None  
Absent: Christensen, Hoyt

Whereupon the Chair declared the motion carried.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was duly adjourned at 11:53 a.m.

ADJOURNMENT  
11:53 A.M.

Minutes approved at  
the meeting of  
February 10-11, 2021

\_\_\_\_\_/s/\_\_\_\_\_  
Mary A. Harding, Chair

\_\_\_\_\_/s/\_\_\_\_\_  
Edward J. Schrock, Secretary

**REPORT ON RETIREMENTS AND  
FORMER DISTRICT EMPLOYEE REHIRES  
JANUARY 2021 BOARD MEETING**

**RETIREMENTS**

1. Robert J. Delay, Technical Specialist, Cooper Nuclear Station, Brownville, was employed March 1, 1985, and retired as of January 1, 2021.
2. Timothy A. Morey, Station Operator, Gerald Gentleman Station, Sutherland, was employed May 21, 1979, and is retiring as of January 30, 2021.
3. David D. Ahlstrand, Material Handler, Sheldon Station, Hallam, was employed December 1, 1980, and is retiring as of January 31, 2021.
4. Patrick L. Pope, Special Assistant to the President and Chief Executive Officer, General Office, Columbus, was employed December 26, 1979, and is retiring as of January 31, 2021.
5. Chris A. Sullivan, Transmission System Coordinator, Control Center, Doniphan, was employed May 19, 1980, and is retiring as of February 15, 2021.
6. Keith A. Wright, Senior Technical Support Specialist – Mechanical/ Electrical/ Instrument and Control, Cooper Nuclear Station, Brownville, was employed March 16, 1998, and is retiring as of March 5, 2021.
7. Kym A. Haynes, Security Programs Supervisor, Cooper Nuclear Station, Brownville, was employed February 1, 1998, and is retiring as of March 15, 2021.

**REHIRES**

In accordance with the Board motion approved in February 1988, employees reemployed by the District within one year of their termination date (Including those rehired directly or indirectly as a consultant) require approval of the President. Pursuant to that Board motion, Mr. Kent has approved this rehire:

Colby A. Purkeypile was hired on January 6, 2020; his temporary Apprentice Line Technician Intern position in Scottsbluff ended March 26, 2020. Colby was rehired as Apprentice Line Technician in Training at Hartington effective January 18, 2021.