



**MINUTES**  
**DAWSON PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT**  
**REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS**  
**April 6, 2022**

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Dawson Public Power District was held April 6, 2022, at 8:30 a.m. at the District Headquarters at 75191 Road 433, Lexington, Nebraska, pursuant to written notice to each of the Directors and publication in the Lexington Clipper Herald, North Platte Telegraph, and the Kearney Hub, the proofs of publication being attached to the minutes of this meeting. The agenda of subjects was included in the Notice to Directors, and the availability of said agenda at the District Headquarters Office was a part of said newspaper publication. The President announced the posting of the open meetings act.

The meeting was called to order by Pat Hecox, President, who presided, and Bronson J. Malcom, Secretary, recorded the minutes.

Upon calling the roll, the following Directors were reported to be:

-Page Peterson	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Present	<input type="checkbox"/>	Not Present
-Rodger White	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Present	<input type="checkbox"/>	Not Present
-Bob Kennicutt	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Present	<input type="checkbox"/>	Not Present
-Bill Henry	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Present	<input type="checkbox"/>	Not Present
-Pat Hecox	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Present	<input type="checkbox"/>	Not Present
-Dave Dwiggins	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Present	<input type="checkbox"/>	Not Present
-Brad Brodine	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Present	<input type="checkbox"/>	Not Present
-Craig Wietjes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Present	<input type="checkbox"/>	Not Present
-Dan Muhlbach	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Present	<input type="checkbox"/>	Not Present
-Joe Jeffrey	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Present	<input type="checkbox"/>	Not Present
-Vacant	<input type="checkbox"/>	Present	<input type="checkbox"/>	Not Present

Gwen Kautz was also present throughout the meeting.

Also present at various times throughout the meeting were:

- Marsha Banzhaf
- Paige McConville
- Michael Zern
- Jerry Hobelman
- Bob Miller
- Shannon Peard
- Jeremy Kaiser

**APPROVE AGENDA**

Upon motion by Director Muhlbach, duly seconded by Director Henry, and roll call vote with Directors voting as follows

-Page Peterson	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No
-Rodger White	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No
-Bob Kennicutt	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No
-Bill Henry	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No
-Pat Hecox	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No
-Dave Dwiggins	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No
-Brad Brodine	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No
-Craig Wietjes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No
-Dan Muhlbach	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No
-Joe Jeffrey	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No
-Vacant	<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No

the following Resolution was adopted:

2022-5861 RESOLVED: That the agenda, as amended, of the regular meeting of the Board of Directors of April 6, 2022, be approved.

**APPROVE MINUTES.** A draft copy of the minutes of the prior month's Board meeting is included immediately following this report. After any additions or corrections, the minutes should be approved.

Upon motion by Director Kennicutt, duly seconded by Director Brodine, and roll call vote with Directors voting as follows:

-Page Peterson	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No
-Rodger White	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No
-Bob Kennicutt	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No
-Bill Henry	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No
-Pat Hecox - abstained	<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No
-Dave Dwiggins	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No
-Brad Brodine	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No
-Craig Wietjes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No
-Dan Muhlbach	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No
-Joe Jeffrey	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No
-Vacant	<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No

the following Resolution was adopted

2022-5862 RESOLVED: That the minutes of the regular meeting of the prior month's Board meeting, be approved.

**CUSTOMER COMMENTS AND INQUIRIES.** Customer comments and concerns were discussed to ensure appropriate board and staff follow-up.

**SAFETY REPORT.** Dean was absent, so no safety report was provided.

**BUDGET AND FINANCIAL REPORTS.**

- A. Budget to actual review. The board discussed current budget to actuals.
- B. Form 7 review. The board reviewed and discussed Form 7 in detail.
- C. Consent Agenda. The board reviewed the following items:
  - i. Wholesale power bill. The wholesale power bill was presented and discussed.
  - ii. Invoices. The list of invoices, which are to be paid subject to approval by the Board, and the list of Electronic Fund Transfers were presented and discussed.
  - iii. Electronic Fund Transfers.
  - iv. District funds at the end of the month prior. District account information was presented.
  - v. Active work plan – budget to actual.
  - vi. Accounts receivable
  - vii. Current YTD Revenue & Expenses by Type.
  - viii. Investment recap
  - ix. NSF checks
  - x. 30-60-90 day AR

Included was a capital budget comparison. District funds at the end of the month prior, a listing of District investments, investment charts, and investment changes were provided for review in the financial section.

The items listed in the Consent Agenda in the Written Report were reviewed and discussed. Upon motion by Director Wietjes, duly seconded by Director Jeffrey, and a roll call vote with Directors voting as follows:

-Page Peterson	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No
-Rodger White	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No
-Bob Kennicutt	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No
-Bill Henry	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No
-Pat Hecox	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No
-Dave Dwiggin	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No
-Brad Brodine	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No
-Craig Wietjes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No
-Dan Muhlbach	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No
-Joe Jeffrey	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No
-Vacant	<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No

the following Resolution was adopted:

2022-5863: RESOLVED: That the Consent Agenda, including the payment of invoices, be approved and invoices be ordered to be paid, as described in the Manager’s Written Report in greater detail, including the following:

- A. Approve Invoices.
- B. Review and Discuss Operating and Financial Reports.

**LINEMAN APPRECIATION DAY RESOLUTION.** The board reviewed a proposed resolution celebrating Lineman Appreciation Day.

Motion by Director Brodine, seconded by Director White, to approve the resolution. Motion carried unanimously.

**ADMINISTRATIVE PROFESSIONALS DAY RESOLUTION.** The board reviewed a proposed resolution celebrating Administrative Professionals Day.

Motion by Director White, seconded by Director Brodine, to approve the resolution. Motion carried unanimously.

**STATE OF NEBRASKA HIGHWAY 83 PROJECT.** Cole presented on the proposed NDOT Highway 83 project from Lake Maloney south to the border of the District's territory. The project will affect the substation south of Lake Maloney and 13 miles of DPPD Sub-T line. The total cost to the District is projected at \$3.9 million. The District has contacted the State to see if funds are available for relocating utilities. The District is in the process of determining easement and right-of-way issues.

**ENERGYWISE REPORT.** Marsha presented on the benefit of NPPD's EnergyWise program.

**LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITY.** Gwen provided a legislative update to the board.

**BEYOND 2020.** The board discussed an update.

Motion to amend the Agenda to move Executive Session to the end of the meeting. Seconded by Director Henry. Motion carried unanimously.

**NEW BUSINESS.** Gwen provided an irrigation rate comparison

**DIRECTOR/STAFF REPORTS ON MEETINGS ATTENDED.** The following presented on their attendance.

a. NRECA PowerXChange/TechAdvantage	March 6-9	Page, Jeremy
b. Irrigator Workshop	March 8	Brad
c. Mid-west Electric Consumers Assoc. Mtg.	March 14-16	Craig
d. Safety Meeting	March 16	Joe
e. NREA Strategic Planning	March 23-24	Pat, Gwen
f. NE G&T Board Mtg	March 30	Dan, Gwen

**AFFILIATION UPDATES.** Updates were provided on the following:

- a. NPPD
- b. NREA
- c. NE G&T
- d. NRECA

e. Others

**DEPARTMENT MANAGER REPORTS.** Reports were provided to the board.

**GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT.** Gwen presented the following:

- a. Customer concern summary for prior month.
- b. Proposed changes to PURPA.

**UPCOMING MEETINGS/CALENDARS.**

- a. Calendars were coordinated.
- b. Safety meeting schedule was set.
- c. Selected date for next board meeting. The next regular meeting will be held Wednesday, May 4, 2022, at 10:00 a.m. at the District headquarters.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION.** Motion by Director Kennicutt, seconded by Director Henry, to enter executive session for the purposes of discussing the vacant board seat. Motion carried unanimously. The board entered executive session at 2:07 p.m.

Motion by Director Wietjes, seconded by Director Dwiggins to exit executive session at 2:46 p.m.

Motion by Director Wietjes, seconded by Director Dwiggins, for Director Hecox to contact Don Batie and ask him to fill the vacant Dawson Subdivision seat with the understanding that the vacancy is temporary until the person officially is elected at the November 2022 general election can be seated in January 2023. Motion carried unanimously.

**ADJOURNMENT.** There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned by acclamation at 2:53 p.m.

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Bronson J. Malcom, Secretary

ATTEST:

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Pat Hecox, President