



**MINUTES**  
**DAWSON PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT**  
**REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS**  
**September 4, 2024**

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Dawson Public Power District was held September 4, 2024, at 10:00 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 Dan Muhlbach, President, who presided, and Bronson J. Malcom, Secretary, recorded the minutes.

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

-Bob Kennicutt	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Present	<input type="checkbox"/>	Not Present
-Tyler Kugler	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Present	<input type="checkbox"/>	Not Present
-Pat Hecox	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Present	<input type="checkbox"/>	Not Present
-David Pieper	<input type="checkbox"/>	Present	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Not Present
-Brad Brodine	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Present	<input type="checkbox"/>	Not Present
-Rodger White	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Present	<input type="checkbox"/>	Not Present
-Joe Jeffrey	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Present	<input type="checkbox"/>	Not Present
-Page Peterson	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Present	<input type="checkbox"/>	Not Present
-Mary Wroblewski	<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

Gwen Kautz was also present throughout the meeting.

Also present at various times throughout the meeting were:

- Marsha Banzhaf
- Paige McConville
- Cole Brodine
- Bob Miller
- Carmen Ackerman
- Jeremy Kaiser
- Robb Hanna
- Dean Kunkee

Motion by Director White, seconded by Director Jeffrey, to excuse Director Pieper. Motion carried unanimously.

**APPROVE AGENDA**

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
-Tyler Kugler	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No
-Mary Wroblewski	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No
-David Pieper	<input 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
-Pat Hecox	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No

the following Resolution was adopted:

2024-5968 RESOLVED: That the agenda, as amended, of the regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the September 4, 2024, be approved.

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

Upon motion by Director Wietjes, duly seconded by Director Kugler, 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
-Tyler Kugler	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No
-Mary Wroblewski	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No
-Pat Hecox	<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
-David Pieper	<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No
-Bob Kennicutt	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No

the following Resolution was adopted

2024-5969 RESOLVED: That the minutes of the regular meeting of the prior month's Board meeting be approved.

**CUSTOMER COMMENTS AND INQUIRIES.** Board and staff discussed customer comments to ensure appropriate follow-up.

**SAFETY REPORT.** Dean updated the board on his work on the JT&S committee. Director Kugler updated the board on the previous safety meeting.

**BUDGET AND FINANCIAL REPORTS.**

A. Budget to actual review. The board discussed current budget to actuals. CFO Carmen Ackerman presented.

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.

vi. Accounts receivable.

vii. Current YTD Revenue & Expenses by Type.

viii. Investment recap.

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 Hecox, duly seconded by Director Peterson, 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
-Tyler Kugler	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No
-Pat Hecox	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No
-Mary Wroblewski	<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
-David Pieper	<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No

the following Resolution was adopted:

2024-5970 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.

**DISCUSSION WITH RICK NELSON, NREA GM.** Rick Nelson presented on the 2025 NREA budget, including membership dues.

**DPPD COST TO PROVIDE NEBRASKA MAGAZINE.** Marsha and Chelsea presented on the District’s cost to provide the NREA’s Nebraska Magazine and possible alternatives. Staff recommends continuing to provide the magazine.

**CONFLICT OF INTEREST.** Gwen presented on new conflict of interest policy which includes a District required annual disclosure.

**NEW BUSINESS.** None

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

- a. NREA Board & Committee Mtgs      Aug 7-8      Rodger, Brad, Pat, Tyler, Gwen, Dean
- b. Safety Meeting                              Aug 21      Tyler

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

- a. NPPD
- b. NREA
- c. NE G&T
- d. Others – Mid-west Electric Consumers.

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

**GENERAL MANAGER’S REPORT.** Gwen presented on the following:

- a. Customer concern summary for prior month.
- b. Breaking down rising material costs
- c. Wholesale contract negotiation update
- d. Kearney office – NPPD’s 115kv line easement update

**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, October 2, 2024, at 10:00 a.m. at the District headquarters.

**ADJOURNMENT.** There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned by acclamation at 1:48 p.m.

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Bronson J. Malcom, Secretary

ATTEST:

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Dan Muhlbach, President