

*January 10, 2025*

*TO: Board of Directors, Staff and District's Attorney*

*FROM: Curtis Kayton, General Manager*

*RE: Board Meeting Agenda*

*Everyone:*

*The Regular monthly meeting of the Board of Directors will be **Wednesday January 15th, 2025, at 8:00 a.m. (MT)**, at the District's Headquarters, at 128 West 8<sup>th</sup> Street, Bayard, Nebraska.*

*Items on the Agenda will be:*

*Opening Business*

*Call the meeting to order.*

- 1. Approve the agenda and Managers memo.*
- 2. Approve the minutes of the December 16th, regular meeting,*
- 3. Approval of General Fund Expenditures.*
- 4. Review of Operating Statement, Year to Date Budget  
Report, Balance Sheet, Cashflow statement, Investment report, and Power Bill.*
- 5. Operations report including Construction, Maintenance,  
Outage summary, New services, Fleet, and Training reports.*
- 6. Report on District's employee Job Training and Safety activities.*
  
- 7. Public comment period on any agenda items.*

8) - Old Business

- a) Establish date for annual planning meeting

9) - New Business

- a) Swear in Dan Carnine to CRPPD board – K. Stommen
- b) Annual officer reorganization and voting delegate designations – Board Action Required
- c) Revisions to Policy E-10 Employee medical and insurance coverage – Board Action Required
- d) Revisions to Policy B-12 Authorized depositories – Board Action Required
- e) Revisions to Policy B-14 Check signing – Board Action Required

Reports and Announcements

- 10) NREA-
- 11) Tri-State G & T/Basin Electric – Contract Committee, FRTC progress
- 12) NRECA
- 13) CFC
- 14) FEDERATED
- 15) Misc.
- 16) Manager's Report
- 17) Attorney's Report

**Executive Session if Necessary**

Adjournment

**CRPPD reserves the right to re-arrange the agenda at anytime.**

# CHIMNEY ROCK PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT

## REGULAR MEETING OF TH BOARD OF DIRECTORS

**January 15, 2025**

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Chimney Rock Public Power District was held in the District in Bayard, Nebraska on January 15, 2025, at 8:00 a.m. Notice of the meeting was published in the Bayard Transcript, Bridgeport NewsBlade and the Star-Herald, newspapers of general circulation. An agenda of items to be discussed was available to the public and kept continuously current in the office of the district. Each Director was furnished with an agenda prior to the meeting

Directors present at the meeting:

Kevin Stuart	<input type="checkbox"/> Present	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not Present
Travis Petersen	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present	<input type="checkbox"/> Not Present
Larry Fiscus	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present	<input type="checkbox"/> Not Present
Corey Henkel	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present	<input type="checkbox"/> Not Present
Richard Kildow	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present	<input type="checkbox"/> Not Present
Dan Carnine	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present	<input type="checkbox"/> Not Present

Employees present at all times throughout the meeting: General Manager Curtis Kayton, Operation Superintendent Ron Hubbard, Line Foreman Justin McAllister and Director of Finance Shauna Abbott.

Attorney: Kendra Strommen present

Guests present: Linz Kildow

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 a.m. by board Vice-President Travis Petersen, who noted the posting of a copy of the Open Meetings Law in the boardroom and who established a quorum was present. Kendra Strommen recorded minutes at the request of Board Secretary/Treasurer Corey Henkel.

Swearing in of Dan Carnine to CRPPD Board by Attorney Strommen

Larry Fiscus made a motion to accept and approve the Agenda and the Manager's memo. Corey Henkel seconded followed by roll call vote with voting as follows:

Dan Carnine	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Larry Fiscus	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Corey Henkel	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Travis Petersen	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Kevin Stuart	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No (absent)
Richard Kildow	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No

Motion carried.

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Corey Henkel made a motion to accept and approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting dated December 16, 2024. Larry Fiscus seconded followed by roll call vote with voting as follows:

Kevin Stuart	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No (absent)
Richard Kildow	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Dan Carnine	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Larry Fiscus	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Corey Henkel	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Travis Petersen	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No

Motion carried.

Travis Petersen made a motion to accept and approve the General Fund Expenditures with discussion on the FNBO Employee credit card purchases, an explanation of the attorney fees and including the General Managers expense report. Corey Henkel seconded followed by roll call vote with voting as follows:

Richard Kildow	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Dan Carnine	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Larry Fiscus	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Corey Henkel	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Travis Petersen	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Kevin Stuart	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No (absent)

Motion carried.

Shauna Abbot, Director of Finance, provided the financial update including an overview of the Statement of Operations Actual Comparison Financial and Operating Electric Distribution Report for the 12 months ending 12/31/2024. Review of the December Balance Sheet. Additionally, Abbot reviewed the Active Account Amount Past Due Over 60 days dated 1/8/2025, Nebraska Class specifically 4 different funds income earned YTD \$71,170.90. December's power bill from Tri-State was entered in the amount of \$256,979.34.

Justin McAllister provided an Operators Report stating that in December they were able to continue working hard on pole change outs due to the nice weather. Continue working on the April ice storm damage. They only have two poles left to change and about two miles of three phase to re-sag from that storm. Two new services were installed, and 2 services were retired. There were 11 pole changes, 1 upgrade and 6 meters can changes. The Overtime Outages were on December 19, December 21, December 24 and January 5. Truck #1, #9 and #10 needed to have maintenance.

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Justin reported that internally, they have been creating a plan and ordering material for the Goodstreak substation upgrade. A new Safety Improvement Plan was created for 2025 highlighting crew training, crew visits and housekeeping. Additionally, they have received between nine and ten resumes for the Lineman position and plan to conduct interviews. The bucket truck sold for \$30,800 and the pick-up box sold for \$440 on Purple Wave.

Ron Hubbard, Operations Superintendent, reminded the Board of Directors that he plans to retire between January and June 2026. Hubbard provided an overview of the PCS/Springboard update and the efforts to streamline the process. Additionally, Hubbard reported on the Job Training and Safety Committee Meeting that is listed in the board book.

Larry Fiscus made a motion to accept and approve the December Safety Meeting Minutes. Dan Carnine seconded followed by roll call vote with voting as follows:

Dan Carnine	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Richard Kildow	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Kevin Stuart	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No (absent)
Travis Petersen	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Corey Henkel	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Larry Fiscus	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No

Motion carried.

**Public Comment** – no comments were received from the public

**Old Business:**

Curtis Kayton discussed the following:

- Tri-State Wholesale Contract and the Contract Committee.
- Planning Meeting
  - Establish date for annual planning meeting

Larry Fiscus made a motion to accept and approve the annual meeting to be in Bridgeport on Feb. 18<sup>th</sup>. Corey Henkel seconded followed by roll call vote with voting as follows:

Larry Fiscus	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Dan Carnine	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Richard Kildow	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Kevin Stuart	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No (absent)
Travis Petersen	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Corey Henkel	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No

Motion carried.

**Meeting Minutes**

**January 15, 2025**

**New Business:**

Annual officer reorganization and voting delegate designations were discussed and action was taken as follows:

Larry Fiscus made a motion to accept and approve the officer reorganization to retain the current officer structure in an election by acclamation. Richard Kildow seconded followed by roll call vote with voting as follows:

Travis Petersen	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Kevin Stuart	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No (absent)
Richard Kildow	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Dan Carnine	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Larry Fiscus	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Corey Henkel	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No

Motion carried.

Dan Carnine made a motion to accept and approve the delegate reorganization to retain the current delegation structure except for the NRECA delegate in an election by acclamation. Corey Henkel seconded followed by roll call vote with voting as follows:

Corey Henkel	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Travis Petersen	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Kevin Stuart	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No (absent)
Richard Kildow	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Dan Carnine	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Larry Fiscus	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No

Motion carried.

Dan Carnine made a motion to accept and approve Corey Henkel as the delegate for NRECA. Larry Fiscus seconded followed by roll call vote with voting as follows:

Corey Henkel	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No (abstain)
Travis Petersen	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Kevin Stuart	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No (absent)
Richard Kildow	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Dan Carnine	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Larry Fiscus	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No

Motion carried.

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Corey Henkel made a motion to accept and approve the policy changes on B-12, B-14 and E-10. Larry Fiscus seconded followed by roll call vote with voting as follows:

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| Larry Fiscus    | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No         |
| Dan Carnine     | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No         |
| Richard Kildow  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No         |
| Kevin Stuart    | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes            | <input type="checkbox"/> No(absent) |
| Travis Petersen | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No         |
| Corey Henkel    | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No         |

Motion carried.

**Reports and Announcements:**

General Manager Curtis Kayton reported on the NREA and NREA legislative event/banquet coming up on Feb. 4, 2025. Kayton reviewed the relevant legislative bills.

Kayton reviewed the Tri-State Contract Committee. Additionally, Kayton gave a white board presentation on Tri-State’s New Era Funding 2024-2031.

Northwest Rural PPD provides a second notice to withdraw from Tri-State membership.

**Executive Session:**

The board entered Executive session at 10:03 a.m., Strommen and Kayton were asked to stay to discuss personnel issues.

Corey Henkel made a motion to enter the executive session at 10:03 a.m.; Dan Carnine seconded. Roll call voting by the directors as follows:

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| Travis Petersen | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No          |
| Kevin Stuart    | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes            | <input type="checkbox"/> No (absent) |
| Richard Kildow  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No          |
| Dan Carnine     | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No          |
| Larry Fiscus    | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No          |
| Corey Henkel    | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No          |

Motion carried

**Meeting Minutes**

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Travis Petersen made a motion to end the executive session at 10:38 a.m.; Dan Carnine seconded. Roll call voting by the directors as follows:

Corey Henkel	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Travis Petersen	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Kevin Stuart	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No(absent)
Richard Kildow	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Dan Carnine	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Larry Fiscus	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No

Motion carried

The next regular board meeting is Wednesday, February 19, 2025 at 8:00 a.m. at the Chimney Rock office.

With no further business, Travis Petersen moved for adjournment with the consensus of the Directors that the Meeting be adjourned at 10:39 a.m.

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Travis Petersen, Vice-President

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Corey Henkel, Secretary/Treasurer