



OPPD BOARD OF DIRECTORS

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

June 19, 2025

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Omaha Public Power District ("OPPD" or "District") was conducted virtually via WebEx audio and video conference.

Joining via WebEx were Directors A. E. Bogner, M. J. Cavanaugh, M. R. Core, S. E. Howard, J. L. Hudson, C. C. Moody, M. G. Spurgeon and E. H. Williams. Also present via WebEx were L. J. Fernandez, President and Chief Executive Officer, and Messrs. S. M. Bruckner, of the Fraser Stryker law firm, General Counsel for the District, E. H. Lane, Sr. Board Operations Specialist, and other members of the OPPD Board meeting logistics support staff. Chair M. R. Core presided, and E. H. Lane recorded the minutes. Members of the executive leadership team joining via WebEx included K. W. Brown, C.V. Fleener, S. M. Focht, G. M. Langel, T. D. McAreavey, M. V. Purnell, T. R. Via and B. A. Underwood.

Board Agenda Item 1: Chair Opening Statement

Chair Core gave a brief opening statement, including reminders for using the WebEx audio and video conferencing platform.

Board Agenda Item 2: Safety Briefing

CEO Fernandez provided safety reminders.

Board Agenda Item 3: Guidelines for Participation

Chair Core then presented the guidelines for the conduct of the meeting and instructions on the public comment process using WebEx audio and video conferencing features.

Board Agenda Item 4: Roll Call

Ms. Lane took roll call of the Board. All members were present via WebEx.

Board Agenda Item 5: Announcement regarding public notice of meeting

Ms. Lane read the following:

"Notice of the time and place of this meeting was publicized by notifying the area news media; by publishing in the Omaha World Herald and Nebraska Press Association, OPPD Outlets newsletter, oppd.com and social media; by displaying such notice on the Arcade Level of Energy Plaza; and by e-mailing such notice to each of the District's Directors on June 13, 2025.

A copy of the proposed agenda for this meeting has been maintained, on a current basis, and is readily available for public inspection in the office of the District's Corporate Secretary.

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Additionally, a copy of the Open Meetings Act is available for inspection on oppd.com.”

President’s Report

CEO Fernandez next presented the following information:

- May 2025 Baseload Generation
- May 2025 Balancing Generation
- May 2025 Renewables
- Power-Up Conference 2025
- Cinco de Mayo Parade
- Community Volunteering
- Rock the Block
- In Memoriam – Jimmie Dobbs

Board Consent Action Items:

7. Approval of the April 2025 Financial Reports, May 2025 Meeting Minutes and the June 19, 2025, Agenda
8. 2025 Labor Agreement Ratification - IBEW 1483 – Resolution No. 6710
9. SD-15: Enterprise Risk Management Monitoring Report – Resolution No. 6711
10. SD-2: Rates Monitoring Report – Resolution No. 6712
11. 2025/2026 NC2 Unit No. 2 Separate Electric System Revenue Bonds – Series – Resolution No. 6713
12. 2025/2026 NC2 Unit No. 2 Separate Electric System Revenue Bonds – Sales – Resolution No. 6714
13. Declining Block Rates and Energy Management Credit Removal – Resolution No. 6715
14. RFP 6193 - North Omaha to Eppey Manhole Duct Line Construction Contract Award – Resolution No. 6716
15. NOS ELG Building and Equipment - Engineer’s Certificate to Negotiate – Resolution No. 6717

It was moved and seconded that the Board approve the consent action items.

Chair Core noted the Board discussed the action items during the All Committees meeting held on Tuesday, June 17.

Chair Core then asked for public comment on WebEx. There was one comment.

John Pollack, 1412 N. 35th Street, Omaha, provided comments on the financial burden of a monthly flat fee.

Thereafter, the vote was recorded as follows: Bogner – Yes; Cavanaugh – Yes; Core – Yes; Howard – Yes; Hudson – Yes; Moody – Yes; Spurgeon – Yes; Williams – Yes. The motion carried (8-0).

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Board Discussion Action Items

16. AMI Opt-Out Service Charge – Resolution No. 6718

Director Moody moved to approve the discussion action item, and it was seconded by Director Cavanaugh. Chair Core asked for Board member questions or comments. Director Spurgeon provided comments in support of the resolution.

Chair Core then asked for public comment. There were none.

Chair Core asked for comments from the Board. There were comments made by Director William and Director Spurgeon in support of the resolution.

Thereafter, the vote was recorded as follows: Bogner – Yes; Cavanaugh – Yes; Core – Yes; Howard – No; Hudson – Yes; Moody – Yes; Spurgeon – Yes; Williams – Yes. The motion carried (7-1).

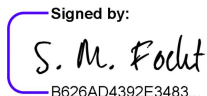
Board Agenda Item 17: Opportunity for comment on other items of District Business

Chair Core asked for comments from the public on WebEx. There were two comments.

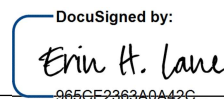
John Pollack, 1412 N. 35th Street, Omaha, provided a weather update.

There were no additional comments from the public.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:34 p.m.

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S. M. Focht
Vice President – Corporate Strategy &
Governance and Assistant Secretary

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E. H. Lane
Sr. Board Operations Specialist

RESOLUTION 2025 - 19
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
KNOX COUNTY, NEBRASKA
RESOLUTION AND STATEMENT OF FACTS

WHEREAS, the duly appointed Planning Commission of Knox County, Nebraska has prepared amendments to the Knox County Comprehensive Plan and Zoning Regulations;

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission gave public notice as required by Nebraska law of a hearing held on May 6, 2025 at The Barn at God's Country, 53174 Hwy 84, Center, Nebraska;

WHEREAS, the public hearing was held pursuant to said notice and all statements received at the hearing have been duly considered by the Planning Commission;

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission has reviewed the amendments and makes its recommendation to the Board of Supervisors ("Board") for its approval;

WHEREAS, the Board has established the following factual findings as the reasons for the Resolution:

1. Commercial WECS (as defined in Knox County Zoning Regulation section 8.08.03) and CSCS (as defined in Knox County Zoning Regulation section 8.23.01) would significantly decrease property values near any wind towers and solar panels, causing economic harm and direct financial loss to the owners of the affected real estate.
2. When operating, commercial WECS developments emit constant noise and shadow flicker which disturbs nearby residents causing them mental and physical health harm.
3. Commercial WECS and CSCS energy developments cause significant view-scape pollution and are not consistent with the rural character of Knox County.
4. A commercial WECS development presents a substantial health and safety issue to crop dusting planes and reduces the area that can be safely dusted.
5. The Comprehensive Plan states that Knox County should encourage economic development projects that do not conflict with the agricultural character of the county. Knox County Comprehensive Plan 2020 at 28.

6. The Comprehensive Plan states the total land in farms is 82% of all of Knox County's land. *Id.* at 26.
7. Commercial WECS would decrease the existing revenue for tourism businesses in Knox County and would discourage growth in hunting, fishing, and water sports. Tourism is an important part of the Knox County economy and it creates a non-agricultural revenue stream, thus, diversifying the economy.
8. Commercial wind turbine towers have a history of killing birds; including federally protected birds.
9. The Missouri River and Lewis and Clark Lake are the northern border of Knox County. New residential real estate development would be reduced or eliminated in Hill, Herrick, Frankfort, and North Frankfort townships if additional commercial WECS developments were permitted. New residential real estate adds to the taxable value of Knox County and, hence, to the tax revenue for the County.
10. Commercial WECS and CSCS panels are an industrial use that manufacture electricity which is inconsistent with the agricultural character of the county.
11. Currently, there are no pre-existing high-capacity electrical lines to transmit significant quantities of electricity from Knox County to more populated areas. Furthermore, Nebraska Public Power District has not acquired all of the easements necessary to build high-capacity transmission lines from Knox County.
12. The highest and best use of real estate in Knox County is for the efficient production of food rather than the inefficient production of electricity.
13. CSCS panels are tilted and, during heavy rain, water will flow from the CSCS panels and onto the ground. Hence, lower elevation farmland of adjoining landowners will, more likely than not, be adversely affected with soil erosion.
14. Commercial WECS, CSCS developments and battery energy storage systems are susceptible of catching on fire and the local volunteer fire departments do not have the proper equipment to contain or extinguish electrical fires of this nature. There are also concerns regarding toxic chemicals that might be

released into the air and onto the land in the event of fire, thus, affecting the health of Knox County residents.

15. It is the public policy of Nebraska and, Nebraska law requires, that Nebraska Public Power District and Omaha Public Power District produce and sell only reliable electricity. Neb. Rev. Stat. §§70-1001, 70-1001.01(11), 70-1301, and 70-1501. Wind and solar power are inherently unreliable due to their intermittent nature. Intermittent power is not dispatchable. On April 28, 2025, the country of Spain experienced a nationwide blackout because its electrical grid had too much unreliable solar and wind energy.
16. Under current federal law, the owners of commercial WECS and CSCS developments are entitled to substantial federal income tax credits. The current federal debt is approximately \$36 trillion and the current year federal budget is in deficit. Hence, any new commercial WECS or CSCS development in Knox County would add to the \$36 trillion federal debt which current and future Knox County residents will be obligated to pay.
17. An Executive Order by the President of the United States titled, "Unleashing American Energy" and dated January 20, 2025, states that it is the policy of the United States to encourage the development of oil, natural gas, coal, hydropower, biofuels, critical mineral, and nuclear energy resources.
18. The establishment, operation, or maintenance of any new commercial WECS or CSCS would be detrimental to or endanger the public health, safety, convenience, order, prosperity, comfort, or general welfare of Knox County and its residents.
19. Finally, that no one specific finding listed above, in and of itself, serves as the lone or primary reason for voting in the affirmative on the Resolution, but Supervisors voting for the Resolution did so based on agreement with all or most of the findings.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Knox County Supervisors that it accepts the report and recommendations of the Planning Commission dated May 6, 2025;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Knox County Supervisors that the Comprehensive Plan is amended as per the redlined stricken language from Chapter 9 as set out in the Planning Commission report of May 6, 2025;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Knox County Supervisors that section 8.08 Commercial/Utility Grade Wind Systems and section 8.23.05 Commercial Solar Conversion Systems are repealed and stricken, in their entirety, from the Knox County Zoning Regulations;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Knox County Supervisors that any new commercial WECS or CSCS energy developments are banned and prohibited;

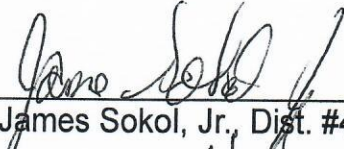
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the actions of Knox County Supervisors in banning commercial WECS and CSCS are in the best interests of the public health, safety, convenience, order, prosperity and welfare of Knox County and its present and future residents and the demonstrable benefit to agricultural and recreational land in Knox County;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Knox County Supervisors that nothing in this Resolution applies to the Crofton Bluffs and Elkhorn Ridge wind energy developments; and

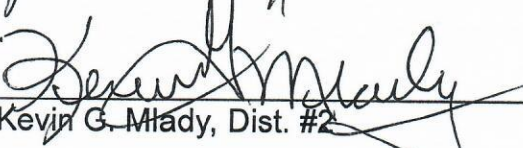
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Knox County Supervisors that this Resolution is effective immediately and shall be published in the newspapers of record for Knox County, Nebraska.


DATED this 11th day of June, 2025.

KNOX COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

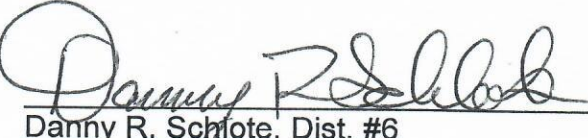

James Sokol, Jr., Dist. #4, Chairman

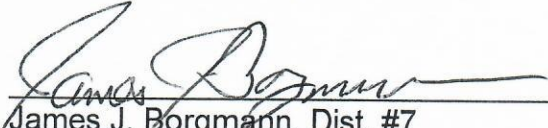

Martin J. O'Connor, Dist. #1


Kevin G. Mlady, Dist. #2

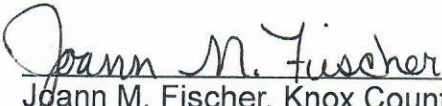

David L. Pierce, Dist. #3

 - Voted "No"
Kevin D. Mackeprang, Dist. #5


Danny R. Schrote, Dist. #6


James J. Borgmann, Dist. #7

ATTEST:


Joann M. Fischer, Knox County Clerk

