

**MINUTES OF  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
PERENNIAL PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT  
April 21, 2026**

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Directors of Perennial Public Power District was called to order by President Mark Becker at 9:00 a.m., Tuesday, April 21, 2026, in the board room at the District office in York, Nebraska. The directors in attendance were Steve Wright, Dan Hendrickson, Jeff Obermier, Grant Schmidt, and Matt Clark. Also present at the meeting was Brandon Lehman, General Manager; District Attorney, Dave Jarecke; Steve Gerken, Manager of Operations; Jared Hain, Manager of Finance and Accounting; Lisa Jacobsen, Manager of Customer Service; Jeremy Styskal, Manager of Operational Technology; Jeff Burk, Manager of Purchasing and Warehouse; and Josh Seaberg, Lead Line Technician.

In compliance with state law, legal notice announcing the date, hour, location, and availability of the agenda for the meeting was published in advance in the York News-Times on April 17, 2026 for the meeting notice.

President Becker announced that there is a posting of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act on the back wall of the room that is available for viewing by the public, that copies of the Act are also available and will be provided to the public upon request, and that the District reserves the right to adjust the order of items on the Agenda and may act on any of the items.

**1. Approval of the March 17, 2026, Regular Board Meeting Minutes**

A motion was made by Wright to approve the minutes of the March 17, 2026, meeting. Obermier seconded the motion. By roll call vote, All Ayes. Motion carried.

**2. Approval of the March 30, 2026, Special Board Meeting Minutes**

A motion was made by Obermier to approve the minutes of the March 30, 2026, special meeting. Schmidt seconded the motion. By roll call vote, All Ayes. Motion carried.

**3. Public Comment Period**

None.

**4. Acceptance of the February 2026 Financial Report**

Hain gave the financial report for the month of February 2026. Energy sold was 671 MWh higher than expected for February. Hain reviewed the income statement for the month of February with a margin trending ahead of budget values for the month. Hain reported that funds available were \$11.2M excluding PCA at the end of February. A motion was made by Clark to accept the financial reports as presented. Schmidt seconded the motion. By roll call vote, all Ayes. Motion carried. Hain reviewed the retirement of assets that were depreciated and no longer in service. Management will continue to review assets annually and as capitalized items are retired.

**5. Management Reports**

Jacobsen provided an update on the Energy Efficiency Program and 2026 Beneficial Electrification. For Energywise Incentives, there is \$66,963 in the proportionate contribution, \$14,247 waiting reimbursement, and \$5,395 waiting approval. She also reported that active accounts with accumulated balances 60 days or more past due now total \$27,580.54 as of April 15, 2026. Courtney Geisenhagen attended the Editors Workshop in Lincoln last month, Camryn Holtzen completed the NRECA Customer Services Essentials Training, and Brandon, Jared, and Lisa attended the NREA Employment Law Workshop in early April. Critel Enterprises LLC provided lunch for Line worker Appreciation Day on April 13<sup>th</sup>.

Gerken reported that crews have completed the Bradshaw sub-transmission line, retired the old transmission line south of the Bradshaw Substation, and built 10 irrigation services. Crews are now working on a 3-mile line upgrade off the York Substation, replacing reject

poles, and finishing well services. N&M contractor will work on the POET substation upgrade in April and May.

The district has worked 827 days without a lost time accident. The York Fire Department gave hands-on fire extinguisher training on March 4<sup>th</sup>. There were no employee accidents or near misses in the past month. On March 3<sup>rd</sup>, Line techs were driving a bucket truck through an alley in Exeter when they hit a low hanging tree with the bucket. The bucket needed replaced and the bracket for the bucket rotation repaired.

Luke Gruber participated in the York County Development Career Days at the Holthus Convention Center March 10<sup>th</sup>. Luke also attended the NREA Safety Directors Update in Kearney in late March.

Gerken reviewed the hazardous situation at the POET substation where Josh Seaberg found dirty oil in one of the switchgear. Oil tests showed high combustible gas build up. The Operations department worked quickly, and a replacement unit was installed in two days.

Lehman reported on the NPPD New Load Process. NPPD has accumulated 18 projects which consist of 434 MW of firm load on the Expected list. For loads less than one megawatt customers are not required to complete a New Load Process Application. A generation security deposit is required for loads above 5 megawatts.

Lehman reviewed the NPPD Tap agreement and the Perennial Sub-T agreement for wheeling services to NPPD's Village of Bradshaw Substation through the newly constructed Perennial Bradshaw Sub-transmission line. Lehman reviewed the rate for wheeling services that would be paid by NPPD. A motion was made by Schmidt to approve the agreements. Obermier seconded the motion. By roll call vote, All Ayes. Motion carried.

Lehman reviewed the past month's expenses for the Board and General Manager. A motion was made by Clark and seconded by Wright to accept the report. By roll call vote, All Ayes. Motion Carried.

**6. Review of 2025 Audit by Dana Cole—Susan Teutschmann 9:30am**

Teutschmann reviewed the findings and opinion of the 2025 audit. She noted that a single audit will be needed if FEMA funding above one million is received for reimbursement of storm damages in 2025. A motion was made by Schmidt to accept the 2025 audit report. Clark seconded the motion. By roll call vote, All Ayes. Motion carried.

A break was taken at 10:23 am and the meeting resumed at 10:33 am.

**7. Legislative District 32 Candidate—Shay Smith**

Smith shared her background and family connection with NPPD. Smith is not registered with either political party and has been heavily involved in the Crete community and economic development. Smith looks forward to the opportunity to represent Legislative District 32.

**8. Discussion of the Wholesale Power Contract**

Lehman discussed the past NPPD communication and inquiry regarding the wholesale power contract and response to NPPD.

**9. Legislative District 32 Candidate—Mark Schoenrock**

Schoenrock outlined his military career and the adversity that shaped his character. Schoenrock serves as a Jefferson County Commissioner and is a registered Republican. Brandt has endorsed Schoenrock's candidacy for District 32.

A lunch break was taken at 12:12 pm and the meeting resumed at 12:40 pm.

**10. Closed Session**


At 12:41 pm a motion was made by Clark to go into closed session to discuss the Wholesale Power Contract. Schmidt seconded the motion. All Ayes. Motion Carried. The meeting reconvened at 1:20 pm.

**11. Other Business**

Becker reviewed the upcoming meetings. NPPD will be holding a customer meeting on April 23 in Grand Island. The NREA will have Committee meetings and a Board meeting May 6-7<sup>th</sup> in Norfolk, and Perennial will hold a Safety meeting May 6<sup>th</sup>.

**12. Adjournment**

There being no further business to come before the Board of Directors, the meeting was duly adjourned at 1:29 pm.

  
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Matt Clark, Secretary