## Unapproved Minutes Board of Directors Meeting Municipal Energy Agency of Nebraska Younes Conference Center – 416 W Talmadge Road, Kearney, Nebraska August 17, 2023 – 9:00 a.m. (CT)

The Board of Directors of the Municipal Energy Agency of Nebraska (MEAN) met Thursday, August 17, 2023, at the Younes Conference Center South, 416 W Talmage Rd, in Kearney, Nebraska, the designated public meeting site. Notice of the meeting was given to board members by e-mail, and the public was advised by publication in print and online in the Lincoln Journal-Star newspaper and website on July 29, 2023. The notice and agenda were posted upon issuance at the NMPP Energy office, 8377 Glynoaks Drive, Lincoln, Nebraska, and kept continually current and available for public inspection. Meeting information and the current version of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act were made available on NMPP Energy's Public Meeting Information website.

# CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Tom Goulette called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. (CT). Pursuant to Section 84-1412 (8) of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act, a current copy of the Open Meetings Act was posted in the meeting room and made available to the public.

# **ROLL CALL**

A quorum was declared with 34 of 55 Directors in attendance,

- 1. Chad Anderson Pierce, NE
- 2. Curt Atkins Waverly Utilities, IA
- 3. Chris Brader Pender, NE
- 4. Rod Brestel Callaway, NE
- 5. Kirby Bridge Alliance, NE
- 6. Tyler Christoff Aspen, CO
- 7. Pat Davison Imperial, NE
- 8. James DePue Wray, CO
- 9. Chris DesPlanques Indianola, IA
- 10. Will Dowis Gunnison, CO
- 11. Edward Dunn Grant, NE
- 12. Nathan Francis Fairbury, NE
- 13. Tom Goulette West Point, NE
- 14. Sandra Hendren Mitchell, NE
- 15. Bill Hinton Kimball, NE
- 16. Duane Hoffman Oxford, NE
- 17. Nate James Morrill, NE

- 18. Jim Kerr Lyons, CO
- 19. Todd Kielkopf Carlisle, IA
- 20. Jeff Kohrs Nebraska City, NE
- 21. Matt Langhorst Glenwood Springs, CO
- 22. Andrew Lee Curtis, NE
- 23. Bob Lockmon Stuart, NE
- 24. Brent Nation Fort Morgan, CO
- 25. Tom Ourada Crete, NE
- 26. Mike Palmer Sidney, NE
- 27. Jeff Pohl Burwell, NE
- 28. John Prettyman Yuma, CO
- 29. Chris Rodman Wall Lake, IA
- 30. Todd Rust Chappell, NE
- 31. Jeremy Tarr Plainview, NE
- 32. Mark Wickard Bridgeport, NE
- 33. Randy Woldt Wisner, NE
- 34. Dana Youtz Torrington, WY

Board Members not in attendance: Keith Beck – Fleming, Bart Brinkman – Shickley, Ron Carpenter – Haxtun, Dan Coolidge – Bayard, Doug De Laune – Arnold, CJ Duncan – Basin, Larry Edgar – Blue Hill, Larry Farley – Denver, Bernard Gagne – Oak Creek, Gene Horne – Red Cloud, Grant Jorgensen – Beaver City, Ron Luhring – Falls City, Rhonda Martin – Breda, Doug Parker – Gering, Rocky Robinson – Lyman, Greg Nein – Julesburg, Tim Smith – Benkelman, Adam Suppes – Delta, Dallas Thomas – Ansley, Blake Waldow – Broken Bow, and Jon Winkel – Sergeant Bluff Others in attendance: Cindy Borges, Anna Burge, Joe Dickman, Ron Doggett, Mindy Fehrman, Justin Forman, Mike Kalkwarf, Doug Linton, and Robert Smith.

NMPP staff in attendance: Carol Brehm, Tim Cerveny, Bruce Doll, Matt Edwards, Rich Eymann, Brad Hans, Amanda Hansen, Stacy Hendricks, Joe Hobelman, Brenda Hudecek, Kara Hunt, Jamie Johnson, Jill Jones, Sarah Jones, Kyle Kaldahl, Nicole Kubik, Michelle Lepin, Jeff Lindsay, Bob Poehling, Matt Reed, Joe Rivera, Dave Russell, and Armin Sehic

## PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

The Public Comment Period was announced, and a review of the rules applicable to the public participation process at MEAN public meetings was provided. There were no public comments.

## REPORTS

## Bob Poehling, Executive Director/CEO

The Iowa lobbyist Nebraska Municipal Power Pool (NMPP) contracts with to monitor the Iowa legislation for bills of interest that could impact municipalities is retiring shortly. Staff will be evaluating this service to determine if a new lobbyist needs to be identified or if there is a more cost-effective manner to obtain the same information e.g. through the Iowa Association of Municipal Utilities. MEAN's Iowa community representatives were asked to let Bob know if they have thoughts or feedback on the best method to monitor Iowa legislative activities.

The recent sale of PowerManager to an outside third-party has resulted in a loss of annual revenue for Nebraska Municipal Power Pool, and staff and the NMPP Board of Directors are addressing those financial challenges. At the Board's direction staff has been evaluating how NMPP can be modernized to increase efficiencies and streamline governance and operations. As a result of the recent passage of LB565 MEAN will be permitted to provide most of the current services to any municipality and it is anticipated that most of these services will transition from NMPP to MEAN. Staff is planning to present a modernization initiative to the NMPP Board of Directors at its September meeting. More information will be presented to the MEAN Board in November once the NMPP Board has had an opportunity to review the initiative.

## Brad Hans, Director of Wholesale Electric Operations

Resource adequacy is a concern in regions and Regional Transmission Organizations (RTOs) across MEAN's footprint with several changes occurring and anticipated. With the reliability issues Southwest Power Pool (SPP) and Midcontinent Independent System Operator (MISO) have been experiencing there will be changes to the existing constructs and increase the potential need for additional resources. Staff will continue to monitor these changes.

From May through August there have been twenty-four events between SPP and MISO and include resource advisories, conservative operations, and max gen alerts. These have generally been due to resource outages and "variability in the forecast". Wind resources can be 60% of a portfolio and produce no energy on any given day. The number of recent events has been unprecedented, and it is anticipated this will prompt resource adequacy changes. Staff will continue to monitor this.

Sarah Jones was acknowledged for the great job she has done with grants over the past year. MEAN has partnered with entities familiar with specific grant programs and funding opportunities who have been willing to facilitate the process in bringing those funding opportunities to MEAN communities. A

potential project in Fort Morgan was presented as a good example of this. Sandhills Energy, which will be constructing, owning and operating solar projects as part of the MEAN contracted solar, is working closely with the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) to obtain funding for Rural Utilities Services projects. These will be low interest loans with opportunities for 20-40% loan forgiveness. USDA Rural Utilities Services has been invited to MEAN's November Board of Directors meeting to speak about lesser-known programs that still have significant funding opportunities available.

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

## Minutes

Minutes of the May 18, 2023, meeting were previously distributed and included as Attachment A of the meeting packet. There were no changes to the minutes.

## Next Meeting

The next meeting of the MEAN Board of Directors will be held on November 16, 2023, at the Younes Conference Center North, Crown Plaza, located at 707 W Talmadge St. in Kearney, Nebraska.

<u>2023 Winter Season Load and Capability Report and Operational Readiness</u> Detailed information was previously distributed in the meeting packet for the Board's review.

## Financial Report

Jamie Johnson, Director of Finance and Accounting, presented a summary of financial results for all NMPP Energy organizations. A summary of MEAN's Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Year-to-Date Financial Report was presented including the results for MEAN; an analysis of MEAN's balance sheet, cash, and investments; and fiscal year-to-date operating results. MEAN financials for April, May, and June 2023 were previously distributed.

MEAN's total unrestricted funds were around \$52.2 million in June; \$21.3 million of that was invested with a portfolio average of 2.89%. Net revenue to date is \$1.1 million. Electric energy sales revenues are \$603,000 less than budget and total electric energy costs are \$2.3 million less than budget.

## Audited Financial Statements - Fiscal Year Ended March 31, 2023

Jamie Johnson, Director of Finance and Accounting, directed members to the full audit results on the website and members were encouraged to review the Management's Discussion and Analysis section for highlights of the year's activities and key metrics were reviewed.

## Results of the 2023 Financial Audit, Including Required Communications

Chris Lindner, Partner with FORVIS, LLP reported on the audit process and results. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) has a new accounting standard on leases. Under this standard, MEAN was required to record a lease asset and liability related to terms of the ground lease for Wygen I. The Audit Communication letter was previously distributed and included as Attachment B of the meeting packet.

## Annual Report Regarding Bond Compliance Policy

Pursuant to responsibilities as set forth in MEAN's Bond Compliance Policy, Jamie Johnson, Director of Finance and Accounting, presented a summary of findings and overall compliance with the policy (records; tax compliance; continuing disclosure; other covenants and requirements; training; effectiveness of the policy; and delivery of the report). The report was previously distributed and included in the meeting packet.

Annual training related to Bond Compliance will occur during the November 2023 MEAN Board of Directors meeting.

<u>Acknowledge Receipt of Unapproved May 31, 2023, minutes of the Joint Operating Committee</u> A copy of the unapproved minutes of the May 31, 2023, Joint Operating Committee meeting was previously distributed and included as Attachment C of the meeting packet.

## Public Power Week, October 1 – 7, 2023

Board Chair, Tom Goulette reported Public Power Week is from October  $1^{st} - 7^{th}$ . Board Members were encouraged to use this opportunity to let their utility customers know the benefits of their local public power system. If any communities need assistance with a news release or letter to the editor, they should contact NMPP Energy's communication team, Kevin Wickham at <u>kwickham@nmppenergy.org.</u>

#### Consent Resolution

Motion: Edward Dunn moved to approve the following consent resolution. Matt Langhorst seconded the motion, which carried unanimously on a roll call vote. (Curt Atkins, Bill Hinton and Jeremy Tarr did not vote)

WHEREAS, certain business of the MEAN Board of Directors of the Municipal Energy Agency of Nebraska (MEAN) transpires on a regular and routine basis or is not of a controversial nature; and,

WHEREAS, roll call votes on each individual issue greatly extended the meeting time.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MEAN Board of Directors that in the interest of economizing time, yet complying with the Open Meetings Act of the State of Nebraska, which requires roll call voting, the following issues are hereby consolidated in this Consent Resolution:

- 1. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY the MEAN Board of Directors that the minutes of the May 18, 2023, meeting are hereby approved; and,
- 2. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY the MEAN Board of Directors that the next meeting will be held on Thursday, November 16, 2023, at the Younes Conference Center North, Crown Plaza, 707 W Talmadge St., Kearney, Nebraska; and,
- 3. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY the MEAN Board of Directors that the 2023 Winter Season Load and Capability Report is hereby approved; and,
- 4. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY the MEAN Board of Directors that the financial statements for April, May and June 2023 are hereby accepted; and,
- 5. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY the MEAN Board of Directors that the audited financial statements for Fiscal Year ended March 31, 2023, are hereby accepted; and,
- 6. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY the MEAN Board of Directors that the Results of the 2023 Financial Audit, Including Required Communications are hereby accepted; and,
- 7. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY the MEAN Board of Directors that the annual compliance report re: bond compliance and management policy dated July 19, 2023 is hereby accepted; and,

- 8. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY the MEAN Board of Directors that the receipt of the unapproved minutes of the May 31, 2023, Joint Operating Committee meeting is hereby acknowledged; and,
- 9. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY the MEAN Board of Directors that October 1-7, 2023, is hereby recognized as Public Power Week and all MEAN participants are encouraged to observe and promote the benefits of public power to their citizens.

# MEAN MASTER SERVICES AGREEMENT

Presenter: Michelle Lepin, General Counsel

MEAN staff is working to develop a MEAN Master Services Agreement that would be one umbrella agreement that would standardize many of the terms and conditions for value-added services and feebased services, aside from power supply.

# SERVICE SCHEDULE M EXHIBIT D UPDATE TO ADD APPROVED SOLAR POWER PURCHASE AGREEMENT

Presenter: Michelle Lepin, General Counsel

The current Service Schedule M (SSM) contract has an Exhibit D listing all of MEAN's long-term power projects. Earlier this year the Board approved a resolution entering into a Power Purchase Agreement (PPA) with Sandhills Energy and adding the project to Exhibit D.

The mailing of the updated Exhibit D will be sent out to SSM communities later this year. No action is required. Although not recommended, communities do have a one-time option to convert to Contract Purchaser status under the SSM and opt out of the addition of the Sandhills PPA to Exhibit D. If a community chooses to opt out, they have sixty days to notify MEAN. Communities are encouraged to contact MEAN General Counsel with any questions. Historically, no SSM participant has opted out of an update to Exhibit D.

# ASPEN, COLORADO FOURTH REVISED SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT

Presenter: Michelle Lepin, General Counsel

The Supplemental Agreement between MEAN and the City of Aspen, Colorado (regarding the City's hydropower resources) needs to be amended due to Aspen's transition to purchasing year-round output from the Ridgway hydropower project effective October 1, 2023. A number of other houskeeping and modernization changes were summarized.

Discussion ensued.

*Motion:* Tom Ourada moved to approve the following resolution. Duane Hoffman seconded the motion, which carried 33-0-1 on a roll call vote.

Nays: None

Abstain: Tyler Christoff

## RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the City of Aspen, Colorado ("City of Aspen"), was approved as a Service Schedule M Participant executed as of June 25, 1984; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Aspen has previously entered into a Third Revised Supplemental Agreement with MEAN which sets forth the terms and conditions under which certain City hydroelectric facilities will reduce the City of Aspen's monthly power bill from MEAN ("Supplemental Agreement"); and,

WHEREAS, MEAN and the City of Aspen desire to amend and restate the Supplemental Agreement to modernize the terms and to clarify certain aspects related to Aspen's share of Ridgway output and the MEAN Green Energy Program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY the MEAN Board of Directors that the Executive Director is hereby authorized and directed to negotiate and execute the Fourth Revised Supplemental Agreement to Service Schedule M with the City of Aspen, subject to final legal and management review.

## **ELECTION OF OFFICERS: SECRETARY/TREASURER**

Presenter: Michelle Lepin, General Counsel

Due to the recent retirement of Darrel Wenzel, the election to fill the office of Secretary-Treasurer was conducted. An overview of the election process was presented. The newly elected officer's term will end March 31, 2024 or when a successor is elected and qualified, whichever is later.

Election information and nomination procedures were previously emailed to members. Nominations received prior to the meeting were as follows: Chris DesPlanques – Indianola, Edward Dunn – Grant, Todd Kielkopf – Carlisle. Each of the nominees had previously confirmed their willingness to serve. No nominations were received from the floor. Candidates were provided an opportunity to comment prior to the vote. No comments were made.

Motion: Andrew Lee moved to close nominations, accept the nominees for the Secretary-Treasurer position, and proceed to voting by secret ballot. Mark Wickard seconded the motion, with voting results as follows:.

Chris DesPlanques received thirteen (13) votes. Edward Dunn received fifteen (15) votes. Todd Kielkopf received six (6) votes.

Edward Dunn was announced as the newly elected Secretary-Treasurer of the MEAN Board of Directors.

The MEAN Board of Directors recessed for a break at 9:53 a.m. The meeting resumed at 10:10 a.m.

# COMMITTEE REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

The MEAN Power Supply, Governance Review, Services, and, Finance Committees met on August 16, 2023.

<u>Power Supply Committee</u> Presenter: Bruce Doll, Manager of Resources, Planning & Transmission

**Meeting Summary.** A summary of the following topics discussed at the August 16, 2023 meeting was provided:

*Resource Adequacy:* Changes in resource adequacy and accredited capacity requirements have been taking place and are anticipated in the future. MEAN continues to monitor trends across regions and RTOs and plan for additional resource capacity.

*MEAN Contracted Solar in Fort Morgan:* The City of Fort Morgan, Colorado has identified property to house a 19MW Solar farm and is working on the potential project with Sandhills Energy. Sandhills Energy has submitted a letter of intent to the Powering Affordable Clean Energy (PACE) program that is offering low interest loans and the potential for 20-40% loan forgiveness.

*Behind the Meter Generation Fleet Modernization:* Processes and methodology for contract capacity pricing and contract Variable Operation and Maintenance (VOM) compensation was discussed. Staff will continue to review and research this topic and present additional information to the Board at a later date.

## Resource Portfolio Update:

Central Nebraska Public Power and Irrigation District (CNPPID) 42MW hydropower project. A draft Power Purchase Agreement (PPA) has been sent to CNPPID and it is pending their review. The PPA has a start date of January 1, 2024.

Aspen, Colorado Agreements Regarding Ridgway Hydropower Project. A ten-year Power Purchase Agreement for MEAN to contract with the City of Aspen, Colorado to receive additional offtake from the Ridgway Hydropower project is currently in development with a start date of October 1, 2023.

Black Hills Energy. MEAN signed a five-year natural gas PPA for capacity and energy in July 2023 and continues to work with Black Hills on a renewable PPA.

Sandhills Community Solar and MEAN Contracted Solar. Five community PPAs with a total capacity of 17.144 MW-AC of solar generation are in progress. The targeted construction start is November 2023 with a completion goal of the summer of 2024, including community projects.

*Generating Fleet Update:* Capacity testing is going well. There are only four units remaining to be tested. A summary of recent site visits to Laramie River Station (LRS) and Black Hills - Neil Simpson Combustion Turbine 1 was presented.

# Establish Exception to Moratorium and Lease Additional Member Generation from the Village of Stuart, Nebraska

Presenter: Bruce Doll, Manager of Resources, Planning & Transmission

The Village of Stuart, Nebraska is pursuing the installation of approximately 1.5 MW of generation capacity. They are also completing a facility upgrade, replacing two older 1930's units with a project completion goal of February 2024. The additional 1.5 MW would result in a total of 3 MW of total leased capacity from Stuart. The benefits of bringing on the additional generation were presented.

At its August 16, 2023, meeting the Power Supply Committee recommended the MEAN Board of Directors approve an exception to the Moratorium and lease of the additional generating capacity by MEAN from the Village of Stuart, Nebraska.

*Motion: Jeremy Tarr moved to approve the following resolution. Mike Palmer seconded the motion, which carried on a 32-0-1 roll call vote. (Dana Youtz did not vote)* 

Ayes: Chad Anderson, Curt Atkins, Chris Brader, Rod Brestel, Kirby Bridge, Tyler Christoff, Pat Davison, James DePue, Chris DesPlanques, Will Dowis, Edward Dunn, Nathan Francis, Tom Goulette, Sandra Hendren, Bill Hinton, Duane Hoffman, Nate James, Jim Kerr, Todd Kielkopf, Jeff Kohrs, Matt Langhorst, Andrew Lee, Brent Nation, Tom Ourada, Mike Palmer, Jeff Pohl, John Prettyman, Chris Rodman, Todd Rust, Jeremy Tarr, Mark Wickard, and Randy Woldt.

Nays: None

Abstain: Bob Lockmon

#### RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Village of Stuart, Nebraska, a MEAN Service Schedule M participant, intends to pursue the purchase and installation of 1.5 MW of behind the meter reciprocating internal combustion engine generation as part of a facility upgrade and distribution system rebuild, and desires to commit to MEAN all of the generating accredited capacity of this new generator for pooling by MEAN; and

WHEREAS, the MEAN Board of Directors approved a moratorium effective January 20, 2005, on leasing any new or additional generation until such time peaking capacity generation is needed; and

WHEREAS, the MEAN Board of Directors desires to establish an exception to the moratorium to allow MEAN to lease an additional approximately 1.5 MW of generating capacity from the Village of Stuart, Nebraska; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY the MEAN Board of Directors that an exception to the moratorium placed into effect January 20, 2005, shall herby be established allowing MEAN to lease an additional approximately 1.5 MW of generating capacity from the Village of Stuart, Nebraska as part of a facility upgrade and distribution system rebuild, contingent upon establishment of the necessary arrangements with the applicable transmission provider(s).

<u>Governance Review Committee</u> Presenter: Michelle Lepin, General Counsel

**Meeting Summary.** A summary of the Service Schedule M (SSM) modernization discussion from the August 16, 2023, meeting was provided. MEAN is undertaking an initiative to modernize the Service Schedule M (SSM) which is MEAN's longest term total requirements contract. The principles of the SSM Modernization initiative were presented and a summary of changes proposed to the draft modernized SSM since the May Board meeting was presented.

The timeline for SSM modernization was reviewed. SSM Modernization Workshops are scheduled for City Attorneys in September of 2023 and representatives are asked to R.S.V.P. An email was sent to MEAN SSM communities on August 11, 2023, that contained workshop dates, an R.S.V.P. link, a link to an educational video, meeting links, and a summary document with frequently asked questions was

attached. Representative were asked to forward the email to their attorneys and R.S.V.P. via the link provided.

The Governance Review Committee and the MEAN Board of Directors will be asked to consider the final draft modernized SSM for approval at their November 2023 meeting with a goal of having participant approvals and signatures completed by March of 2024.

#### Services Committee

Presenter: Tim Cerveny, Manager of Assets and Utility Services

**Meeting Summary.** A summary of the items discussed at the August 16, 2023, meeting was presented and included:

The status of Nebraska Municipal Power Pool following the sale of PowerManager was presented. More information will be available following the September NMPP Board of Directors meeting and an update will be provided to the MEAN Board at its November meeting.

MEAN plans to provide PowerManager Value Support Plan funding for FY2023-2024 based on 2023 pricing.

The Services Committee reviewed currently provided services with outside costs and discussed their anticipated status in the 2024-2025 budget and were provided with an update on MEAN's third-party operations and maintenance strategy.

## UPDATES AND REPORTS

<u>Western Area Power Administration (WAPA)</u> Carol Brehm, Member Relations Representative, provided a WAPA update discussing potential rate increases in WAPA, Loveland Area Project (LAP) and Upper Great Plains (UGP) effective January 1, 2025. The timeline for the LAP and UGP region final Power Repayment Study (PRS) was presented.

United Stated Drought Classifications comparison between May and June of 2023 was presented. May and July of 2023 comparison photos of Lake Powell and Glen Canyon Dam were also presented.

<u>2024 NMPP Energy Annual Conference</u> Carol Brehm, Member Relations Representative, reported the NMPP Energy Annual Conference is scheduled for March  $19^{th} - 21^{st}$ . The Keynote speaker will be Rulon Gardner who will speak about his historic Olympic wrestling match, his dealings with the Russians, and his life challenges since then.

<u>Market & Operations</u> Jeff Lindsay, Electric Operations Manager, discussed load and forward curve pricing, and provided Regional Transmission Organization West (RTOW) and Markets+ updates.

## **GENERAL COUNSEL REPORT – CONTRACTS, LEGISLATIVE AND LEGAL UPDATES** Presenter: Michelle Lepin, General Counsel

Information regarding the following agreements was included in the meeting packet:

Other Party	Agreement Name
Tri-State Generation and Transmission Association, Inc.	Confirmation Under WSPP Agreement for Purchase of Operating Reserves (May 2023 - April 2024)

Black Hills Power, Inc.	Power Purchase Agreement
Black Hills Power, Inc.	Service Agreement for Firm Point-to-Point Transmission Service (regarding 15 MW/Black Hills PPA)
Southwest Power Pool, Inc.	Commitment Agreement regarding RTO West
Western States Power Corporation	FY 2024 Participation in Upper Great Plains Member Financing (for Corps of Engineers Contract Number 20-UGPR-18, Exhibit C and WAPA - UGPR Exhibit B)
Western States Power Corporation	FY 2024 Participation in Loveland Area Projects (LAP) Member Financing 18- RMR-2962
The Energy Authority, Inc.	Fourth Amended and Restated Task Order 1 to Resource Management Agreement (Portfolio Management, Regional Transmission Organization (RTO) Market Management and Trading, and Bilateral Trading Services)
The Energy Authority, Inc.	Task Order 6 (Transmission Optimization) to Resource Management Agreement

Legislative and Regulatory Report:

A written report on legislative and regulatory activity was included in the meeting packet. The following items were discussed in more detail at the meeting:

NEBRASKA: MEAN's Legislative Bill 289 enhancing MEAN's ability to provide services was amended into Legislative Bill 565, passed and signed by the Governor. MEAN's Charter amendment to revise and expand the description of MEAN's business was approved by the Nebraska Power Review Board in July.

COLORADO: Two bills passed during Colorado's legislative session that will require MEAN to take on additional reporting obligations for the Resource Adequacy Reports and the Clean Energy Plan.

# **CLOSING COMMENTS**

Bob Poehling presented a review of upcoming events and thanked members in attendance. Upcoming events included three regional SSM Workshops for City Attorneys in September, MEAN Finance Committee Virtual Conference Meeting on October 18, 2023, MEAN Committee Meetings November 15<sup>th</sup> in Kearney, Nebraska and the next MEAN Board of Directors Meeting on November 16<sup>th</sup> in Kearney, Nebraska

## ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:54 a.m.

Prepared by: Stacy Hendricks Municipal Energy Agency of Nebraska Submitted by: Edward Dunn Secretary/Treasurer MEAN Board of Directors