

Unapproved Minutes
Services Committee Meeting
Municipal Energy Agency of Nebraska
Younes Conference Center South - 416 W Talmadge Road, Kearney, Nebraska
May 17, 2023

The Municipal Energy Agency of Nebraska (MEAN) Services Committee met on Wednesday, May 17, 2023, beginning at 4:10 p.m. (CT), at the Younes Conference Center South located at 416 W Talmadge Road in Kearney, Nebraska, the designated meeting site. Notice of the meeting was given to committee members by e-mail, and the public was advised by publication both print and online in the Lincoln Journal-Star newspaper and website on May 3, 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 Edward Dunn called the meeting to order at 4:10 p.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 all seven committee members in attendance.

1. James DePue - Wray, CO
2. Edward Dunn - Grant, NE
3. Bill Hinton - Kimball, NE
4. Duane Hoffman - Oxford, NE
5. Dave Hrabanek - Pierce, NE
6. Mike Palmer - Sidney, NE
7. Janine Schmidt - Morrill, NE

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Presenter: Edward Dunn, Committee Chair

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.

CONSENT AGENDA

Minutes

Minutes of the November 16, 2022, 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 Services Committee will be held on August 16, 2023, at the Younes Conference Center South, located at 416 W Talmadge Rd. in Kearney, Nebraska.

Consent Resolution

Motion: Dave Hrabenek moved to approve the following Consent Resolution. Bill Hinton seconded the motion, which carried unanimously on a roll call vote.

CONSENT RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, certain business of the MEAN Services Committee 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 Services Committee 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 Services Committee that the minutes of the November 16, 2022, meeting are hereby approved.*
- 2. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY the MEAN Services Committee that the next meeting will be held on Wednesday, August 16, 2023, at the Younes Conference Center South, 416 W Talmadge Rd., Kearney, Nebraska.*

DISCUSSION OF SERVICES

Presenter: Tim Cervený, Manager of Assets and Utility Services

An update was provided on the status of MEAN-sponsored Legislative Bill (LB289). The bill is on final reading and is expected to pass this session. Passage will allow entities such as MEAN to own and operate, contract to operate, or lease advanced metering infrastructure technology and provide advanced metering infrastructure services, allow MEAN to provide services related to information technology, physical security, physical infrastructure management, regulatory reporting, and administration regarding publicly owned utility and municipal infrastructure systems.

As MEAN looks to evaluate current services and expand future services, the Services Committee will be an integral part of the process. The purpose of today's meeting is to discuss Services and the goals and purpose of the committee. The Services Committee Scope document outlining the Committee's responsibilities was reviewed and discussed.

Strategic goals and the strategies to achieve them were identified during the MEAN Strategic Planning Workshop this past February. The Utility Services goal is "Enhance utility-related services supporting member communities". Three strategies as well as examples of actions MEAN has been doing or plans to do that support each of the strategies to facilitate achieving the goal were presented.

A list of incremental and value added services included as part of MEAN's rates and charges for long-term power supply was presented. There are many more services MEAN staff provides that can't be quantified.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:22 p.m.

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