MEAN Services Committee Meeting

3:00 PM

Younes Conference Center, Kearney, Nebraska

November 18, 2026

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Call to Order

Duane Hoffman

Committee Chair

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Call to Order

- Nebraska Open Meetings Act – Section 84-1412 (8)
- Roll Call

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Public Comment Period

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Public Participation Policy - Summary

- Any member of the public may speak, subject to these rules
- Individuals must state the following:
  - **Name**
  - **Address** (unless the address requirement is waived to protect the security of the individual), and
  - **Name of any organization represented** by such person
- Public comment period will be a maximum of 30 minutes
- Comments are limited to 3 minutes per person
- Address comments to the Committee as a body and not to any individual member thereof
- Disruptive conduct is not allowed & individual may be asked to leave meeting

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Consent Agenda

- Approval of Minutes of the August 19, 2026 Meeting

- The next meeting of the Services Committee will be held on January 20, 2027 at the Younes Conference Center South, Kearney, Nebraska. In the case of inclement weather, the meeting may be held virtually.

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Consent Resolution

Approval of the consent resolution as shown on page 3 of the meeting packet.

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Heartland Municipal Utility Training Conference Recap

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Director of Utility Services and Member Relations

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Strong Turnout and MEAN Member Support

- 39 municipal utilities from Nebraska and Colorado were represented, including those from 27 MEAN member utilities.
- 84 linemen registered for the conference, including 50 from MEAN member utilities.

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Training Updates

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Safety Roundtables

Key Takeaways

- Roundtables held in Sidney and Ord during October allowed utilities to share incidents, near misses and operational challenges.
- Key safety themes included job briefings, grounding, equipment inspections and fatigue management.
- Members identified needs for hands-on technical training, apprenticeship mentoring and emergency preparedness.
- Discussions reinforced the value of council and board education on utility operations, safety and infrastructure investment.

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Generation Workshop
2026
November 4–5, 2026 • Lincoln, Nebraska
Training for power plant operators, maintenance personnel and utility superintendents
INDUSTRY PRESENTATIONS
Equipment and service providers,
state agency and insurance representatives
LES PLANT VISIT
Terry Bundy Generation Station tour
with presentations from LES and the
Nebraska Power Review Board

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MEAN
Municipal Energy
Agency of Nebraska
TREE TRIMMING TRAINING
All Training 9 AM – 3 PM | Lunch Provided
November 17 – City of Seward Electric Department, 1345 River St., Seward, NE
December 1 – Holyoke Volunteer Fire Department, 308 W. Denver, Holyoke, CO
December 2 – City of Gering Central Stores, 225 East D St., Gering, NE
Training led by Lon Nutter of Asplundh.
For more information contact: Maggie Miseno, mmiseno@nmppenergy.org 402-474-4759
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Board Workshops

Connecting Field Evaluations to Local Decisions

- Field evaluations underway for several MEAN member utilities to identify strengths, challenges and equipment needs.
- Community board workshops to follow to review findings, highlight successes and discuss priorities.
- Timely education following elections to help new and returning board members understand their utility's operations and needs.
- A balanced view of what is working well and where investment can support continued safe, reliable service.



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PowerManager Update

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PowerManager Update

- **Member concerns elevated:** MEAN staff met with Harris Computer leadership in September to address support delays, technical issues and customer communication.
- **Monthly user group established:** Members and Harris now have a regular forum to discuss issues, share information and identify training needs.
- **Early signs of improvement:** Several topics were addressed during the October meeting, and Harris appears more responsive.
- **Continued follow-through:** Harris reaffirmed its commitment to supporting PowerManager. MEAN staff will continue monitoring member experiences and support responsiveness.

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Shared Distribution Services Update

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SHARED DISTRIBUTION SERVICES



Evaluation concluded – proposed program will not move forward.

- Evaluated a regional operations and maintenance program with City Light & Power to support MEAN participants.
- Determined that the proposed service model is **not viable.**
- The evaluation identified challenges involving program costs, participation commitments, workload and cost allocation.
- Member workforce and maintenance needs remain important considerations for future service planning.

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NMPP Energy Marketplace

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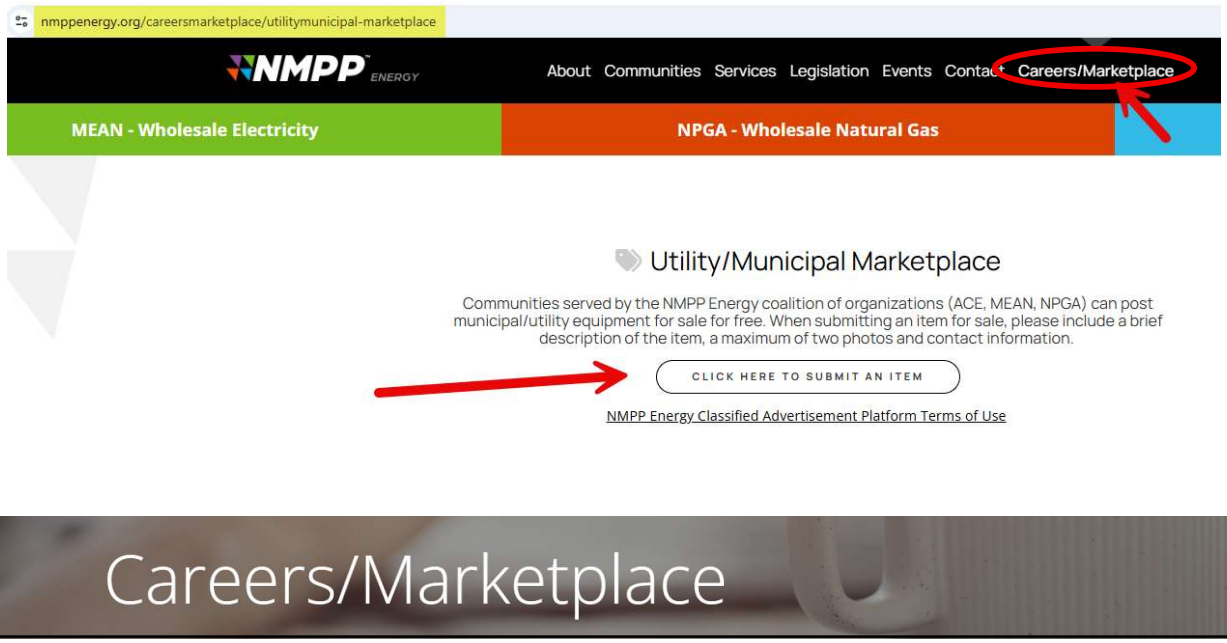
New NMPP Energy Utility/Municipal Marketplace

- **Free equipment listings** for communities served by ACE, MEAN and NPGA.
- Provides a place to advertise municipal and utility equipment for sale and connect with potential buyers.
- **Easy submission:** Include a brief description, up to two photos and contact information.
- Available at **NMPPEnergy.org** under **Careers/Marketplace**.

Have equipment to sell? Put the Marketplace to work for your community.

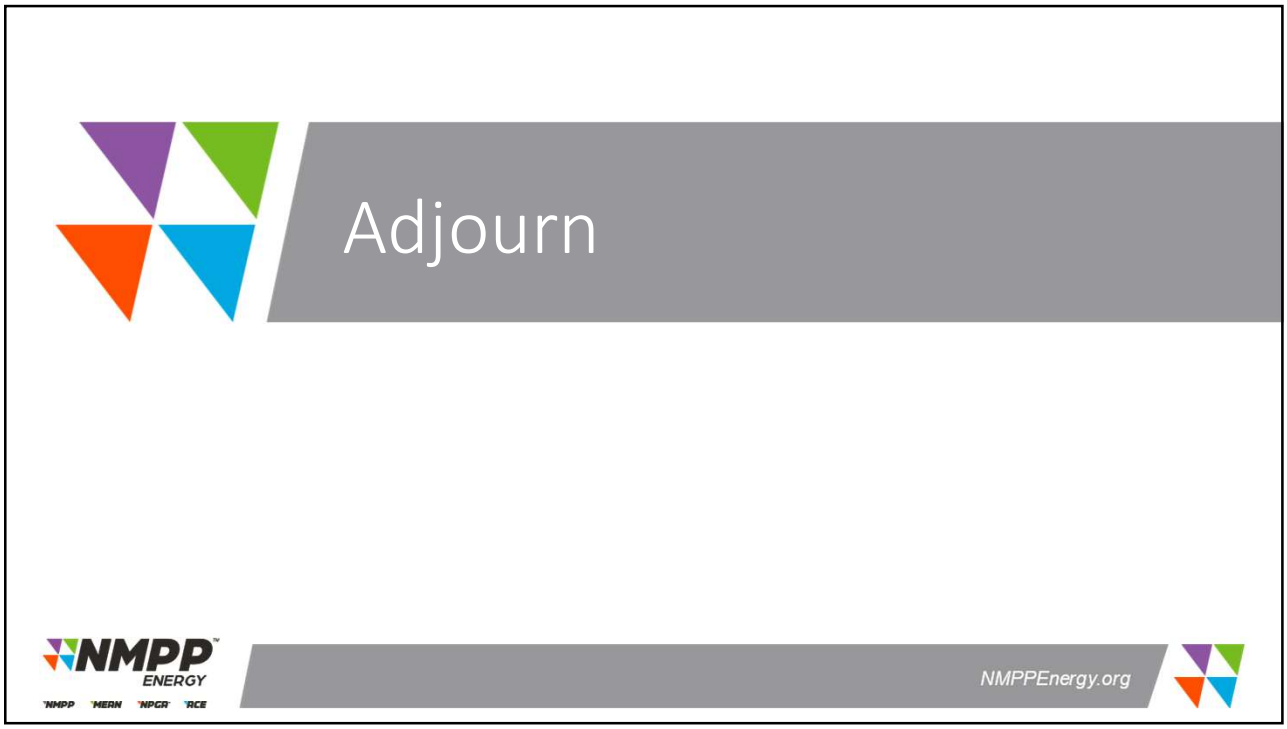
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