

WHETSTONE VALLEY ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC.
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
Thursday, February 27, 2020

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors of Whetstone Valley Electric Cooperative, Inc. was held on Thursday, February, 27, 2020 commencing at 8:00 AM at Whetstone Valley Electric Cooperative Headquarters, Milbank, South Dakota.

The meeting was called to order by President, Bill Tostenson who presided and Secretary, Darren Strasser, acted as Secretary.

Directors Present: Bill Tostenson, Darren Strasser, Dale Jensen, Krista Atyeo-Gortmaker, Joel Adler, Tom Berens, Paul Nelson, Scott Niedert, Dave Behrns,

Directors Absent:

Staff Present: Page, Barlund, Christensen, Weber

Others Present:

Review and Consideration of Agenda

- The agenda was presented for consideration. A motion to approve the agenda was seconded and carried.

Review and Consideration of Minutes

- A motion to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of January 23, 2020 was seconded and carried.

Review and Consideration of the Consent Agenda including:

Loss Control Report, Estate & Special Capital Credit Retirements, New Members, Tenant Changes, Check Listing, Credit Card statement and Cash Flow.

- A motion to approve the consent agenda was seconded and carried.

Management Reports

Operations Manager, Jon Christensen submitted a written reported and discussed activities of the line department. He also presented a proposal for Global Mapping Solutions to complete the GIS mapping and asset inventory.

Member Services Manager, Mark Weber submitted a written report and discussed current activities of the service department. He also presented proposed changes to the rebate and loan programs and an increase of water heater credits.

Office Manager, Gail Barlund submitted a written report and reported on current activities of the office department. She also discussed the upcoming annual meeting preparations. Gail also presented the uncollectable write-off report.

- A motion to approve the Management Staff reports was seconded and carried.

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Review and Consideration of the General Manager's Report

General Manager, Page submitted a written report and discussed Basin Electric's increase in renewable energy purchases. Page discussed NRECA's Healthcare partnership with South Dakota Cooperatives. Page discussed energy sales and the cooperatives preparations for the possible spread of COVID-19. Page also presented a service department cost/value analysis.

- A motion to approve the General Manager's report was seconded and carried.

Keith Kaderly with Inside Information presented the member satisfaction survey results via video conference.

Power Supply and Association Meeting Reports:

East River Strasser provided a report on activities of East River.

SDREA Tostenson reported on the activities of the SDREA Board of Directors. He also provided an update of the ongoing territorial legislative discussions.

Executive Session:

No executive session was held.

Other Business:

- A motion to approve the uncollectable write-offs totaling \$672.88 was seconded and carried.
- A motion to contract with Global Mapping Solutions to collect GIS mapping and plant inventory data was seconded and carried.
- A motion to approve the WAPA/Tribal Credit Contract was seconded and carried.
- A motion to approve member heating system loan application was seconded and carried.
- A motion to approve proposed amendments to policies 50-9 and 60-11 with spelling corrections was seconded and carried.
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Adjournment:

- A motion to adjourn was made, seconded and carried.

Next Regular Board Meeting: Thursday, March 19, 2020 8:00 AM Coop Board Room

President

Secretary