

WHETSTONE VALLEY ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC.
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
Thursday, June 20, 2019

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors of Whetstone Valley Electric Cooperative, Inc. was held on Thursday, June, 20, 2019 commencing at 8:00 AM at the Cooperative headquarters in 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: Jenny Scharmer, CFC Candidate Visit

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 May 16, 2019 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. Also included was the inventory of capitalized work orders totaling \$100,131.

- 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 discussed the results of the NRECA Safety Accreditation Program (RESAP) unannounced onsite safety inspection.

Member Services Manager, Mark Weber submitted a written report and discussed current activities and reported on the department financials. He also discussed the current open position for an HVAC technician and load control issues due to upgrades being conducted at the Blair transmission substation.

Office Manager, Gail Barlund submitted a written report and discussed current activities of the office department. She also discussed current financials, the recent Basin tour and software reviews.

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

Review and Consideration of the General Manager's Report

General Manager, Page submitted a written report and reported on current energy sales and margins. He discussed power factor correction requirements and the Renewable Energy Credit (REC) program. He reported on REED activities and provided a Basin update.

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

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Power Supply and Association Meeting Reports:

Ayteo-Gortmaker and Behrns reported on the Basin Tour and the board reviewed the member evaluations.

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

SDREA Tostenson reported on the activities of SDREA including a legislative update of SB-66.

Executive Session:

At 8:43 am a motion to enter executive session was seconded and carried.

At 9:37 am a motion to exit executive session was seconded and carried.

Other Business:

A motion during executive session to enter into the Joint Defense Agreement with East River and Basin Electric was seconded and carried.

A motion to approve the commission of a power factor study of the Labolt substation at a cost of no more than \$5,600. was seconded and carried.

A motion to table the review of policies 40-3 and 50-7 until further revisions were explored by management was seconded and carried.

A motion to table the discussion of an employee assistance program policy until further revisions were explored by management was seconded and carried.

A motion to adopt a new rate policy 50-17: Renewable Energy Credit was seconded and carried.

Delegates were selected for the East River Resolutions Committee and East River Annual meeting.

The board met briefly with Jenny Scharmer, candidate for the CFC Board of Directors, Region 6.

Adjournment:

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

Next Regular Board Meeting: Monday, July 22, 2019 8:00 AM Coop Board Room

President

Secretary