

**WHETSTONE VALLEY ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC.**  
**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS**  
**Thursday, May 21, 2020**

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors of Whetstone Valley Electric Cooperative, Inc. was held on Thursday, May, 21, 2020 commencing at 8:06 AM at Whetstone Valley Electric Cooperative - Via Webex.

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, Scott Niedert, Dave Behrns,

**Directors Absent:** Paul Nelson,

**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 April 16, 2020 was seconded and carried.  
A motion to approve the minutes of the special meeting of May 6, 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. Also included was the inventory of capitalized work orders totaling \$212,121.59.

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

**Management Reports**

**Operations Manager, Jon Christensen** submitted a written reported of activities of the line department.

**Member Services Manager, Mark Weber** submitted a written report of current activities of the service department. Weber also reported that a number of personal monitor systems are at their end of life cycle and will be replaced with newer technology by year end.

**Office Manager, Gail Barlund** submitted a written report of current activities of the office department. Gail also discussed the increased utilization of direct deposit and ACH payments.

- 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. He noted an improvement in margins from the 1st quarter. Page discussed the decreased load expected for Basin and East River. He also reported on the early retirement of capital credits of Basin and East River as well as additional bill credits from East River.

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

**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.

**Executive Session:**

No executive session was held.

**Other Business:**

- A motion to cast a unanimous ballot that the officers continue as presently elected given the Covid 19 situation and the inability to hold an annual meeting was seconded and carried.
- The Board and management discussed the expired land use agreement between the Manor Motel and WVEC for two buildings of the motel that encroach on the property of WVEC.
- A motion to approve the REED loan application for the purchase of the Manor Motel contingent to clearing a way for the sale of approximately 5 feet of property from WVEC to the Motel was seconded and carried.
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**Adjournment:**

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

**Next Regular Board Meeting:**            Thursday, June 18, 2020 8:00 AM                            Coop Board Room

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President

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Secretary