

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING BOARD OF DIRECTORS

OF

WHITE RIVER ELECTRIC ASSOCIATION, INC.

February 14, 2023

The meeting of the Board of Directors of White River Electric Association, Inc of White River Electric Association, Inc. on February 14, 2023, at 1:30 P.M. with the following Directors present:

Pearce, Dearman, Ducey, Rogers, Hilkey, Sheridan, and Phelan.

Directors Absent: None

President Pearce called the meeting to order.

Dale Dunbar was appointed as recording secretary.

- Agenda It was regularly moved, seconded, and passed to approve the agenda as presented.
- Public Comment Discussion was held about a Facebook comment regarding the rates.
- Guests Visitors present included Manager Michalewicz, and Staff Members Dunbar, Tupy, Berthelson, Reidinger, and Attorney Jeff Hurd.
- Minutes The minutes of the Regular Meeting of January 17, 2023, had been deposited in Boardpaq. It was regularly moved, seconded, and passed, to approve the minutes as presented.
- Bills and Checks The bills and checks for the month of January 2023 were reviewed by the Directors. It was regularly moved, seconded, and passed, to approve the checks, with Director Ducey abstaining from the vote.
- The bank balances and investments were also reviewed by the directors.
- Safety Operations Manager Berthelson presented the Safety Report. The Directors reviewed the upcoming training, MSH recertification, SIP, and rubber goods. Upon motion by Director Hilkey, seconded by Director Rogers, and passed by all directors present, the safety report was approved.
- Donations There were several donations for the board to consider.
- Upon motion by Director Rogers, seconded by Director Ducey, and passed by all directors it was approved to donate \$400 to the RBC Stockgrowers
 - It was consensus of the board to leave the donation for the Meeker Rodeo Series as approved last month.
 - Upon motion by Director Ducey, seconded by Director Rogers, and passed with Director Phelan abstaining it was approved to donate \$1,500 to the Hopewest Cornhole Classic and apply for a Basin match.
 - Upon motion by Director Rogers, seconded by Director Ducey, and passed by all directors present, it was approved to donate \$1,500 to the Pioneer's Healthcare Foundation Jingle Mingle, and \$1,500 to the Mtn Valley Bank Summer Festival and apply for Basin matching funds.
- Delegates It was consensus of the board that President Pearce represent White River Electric as the voting delegate and Director Rogers the Alternate for Tri-State Annual meeting.
- Upon motion by Director Rogers, seconded by Director Ducey, and passed by all directors present, it was approved for Director Hilkey to be the Representative for White River Electric on the Tri-State Board of Directors.
- It was consensus that Director Rogers be the Representative for White River Electric on the Western United Board, and the CREA Board with Director Sheridan being the alternate.
- Board Policy 107 This was tabled and will be brought back at the next scheduled meeting with revisions for the board.
- Meeting Dates Regular meeting dates were reviewed to accommodate conflicts. New dates are below.
- March 15 ¹³ 8D
 - April 12
 - May 16
 - June 14
 - July 19
 - August 15
 - September 19,
 - October 25
 - November 15
 - December 20.

Handbook The employee handbook will be revised with corrections and brought before the board at the next meeting for review and approval of the revision.

Scholarships The Board met on Thursday, February 9 to review scholarship applications. They will meet again on Wednesday February 15 to select award winners via interview and application scores. Upon motion by Director Dearman, seconded by Director Rogers, and passed by all directors present it was approved to accept the scholarship award winners as selected by the board.

Manager's
Cyber A cyber update was presented to the board for discussion discussed.

Power Bill Manager Michalewicz reported on the operations of the Association for the month of January 2023. The power bill for the month of January was \$3,268,805.94 there was 49,076,060 worth of kWh purchased, the demand was 74,221 the cost per kilowatt-hour was 66.6069 and the member system billing load factor was 90.2644. The Directors reviewed the statistical information for the month of December and Year End.

Other Manager Michalewicz briefly reported on other items of interest with the board.

- WR Snowmobile Sno-Cat recovery with WREA equipment
- NEPA Grants are being discouraged to continue application by NEPA
- Pat Cap email from Tri-State noting there will be no Pat Cap Assigned for 2022.

Thank You's Several thank you notes were passed around for the Directors to review.

Attorney Report Upon motion by Director Dearman, seconded by Director Hilkey, and passed by all directors present it was approved to go into executive session to discuss new FERC and Rate issues.

Upon motion by Director Dearman, seconded by Director Rogers, and passed by all directors present it was approved to reconvene the regular meeting.

Engagement The Board of Directors reviewed the engagement letter for Attorney Jeff Hurd. This was unanimously approved and signed. A copy of such is hereby attached and made a part of these minutes.

Travel There was no travel out of the ordinary to approve.

Fair Discussion was held about participation in the RBC Fair & Jr. Livestock Sale.

Delegate It was consensus of the board that Director Ducey represent White River Electric as the voting delegate to NRTC.

Associated Director Rogers reported on CREA and provided written materials in Boardpaq.

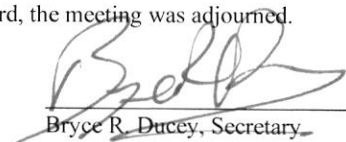
Director Rogers also reported on Western United.

Director Hilkey reported on items of interest regarding Tri-State.

Directors Phelan and Sheridan reported on the New Director Orientation by CREA.

Directors Phelan, Sheridan and Dearman reported on the Directors Conference in ~~Denver~~ ^{KC} ^{Bh.}

No further business appearing before the board, the meeting was adjourned.


Bryce R. Ducey, Secretary