

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING BOARD OF DIRECTORS

OF

WHITE RIVER ELECTRIC ASSOCIATION, INC.

August 19, 2020

The meeting of the Board of Directors of White River Electric Association, Inc was held in the Kilowatt Korner Community room with those in attendance in compliance with Federal, State and Local mandates with regards to the present Covid19 Pandemic and social distancing protocols. The meeting was held at 9:45 a.m. on, August 19, 2020 with the following Directors present:

Jordan, Parr, Pearce, Welle, Rogers, and Wyatt. Director Hilkey was present via TEAMS videoconference.

Directors Absent: None

President Welle called the meeting to order and presided throughout.

Dale Dunbar was appointed as recording secretary.

- Agenda It was regularly moved, seconded, and passed to approve the agenda as presented.
- Attorney Upon motion by Director Rogers, seconded by Director Parr, and passed by all directors, it was approved to go into executive session for the annual review of the General Counsel.
- Upon motion by Director Pearce, seconded by Director Jordan, and passed by all directors, it was approved to reconvene the regular meeting
- Guests Guests included Manager Michalewicz, and Staff Members Dunbar, Matrisciano, Zagar-Brown and Sampson who were present following Covid19 Pandemic and social distancing protocols. Also, members Bryce Ducey, and Brett Dearman, candidates for the Board of Directors were present via TEAMS videoconference conference as guests for the regular meeting.
- Minutes The minutes of the regular meeting of July 15, 2020, and the Minutes from the Managers Review of the same date 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 July 2020 were reviewed by the Directors. It was regularly moved, seconded, and passed, to approve the checks.
- Safety The board reviewed the safety committee minutes from August 3, 2020 where the meeting was held in compliance with Covid19 mandates. Frank Sampson recapped the safety minutes with the board of directors. Covid 19 and procedures/guidelines, a small vehicle accident where two vehicles bumped into each other in the parking lot caused minor damages to an employee's personal vehicle. Other items of interest were discussed by the committee. It was regularly moved, seconded, and passed, by all Directors, to approve the safety report.
- Donations An update on the YTD donations was reviewed. Also updates on the Fall Festival (cancelled) and the Meeker Classic Sheepdog (cancelled) were discussed. Upon motion by Director Wyatt, seconded by Director Pearce, and passed by all directors, it was approved for the two groups to retain the WREA donations for the 2021 events.
- Upon motion by Director Jordan, seconded by Director Parr, and passed by all directors, it was approved to donate \$1,500 each to the Hope West-Meeker organization, and the Pioneers Healthcare Foundation.
- Bad Debts The Board of Directors reviewed the accounts that were presented as bad debts. For electric, satellite, and miscellaneous. The totals were \$5,981.03 for electric only with no Satellite or miscellaneous to consider. Upon motion by Director Jordan, seconded by Director Parr, and passed by all directors' present, it was approved to deem the amount uncollectible and to write them off to the reserve for uncollectible accounts.
- Uncashed The board reviewed the uncashed checks for the year in the amount of \$262.77. It was regularly moved, seconded, and passed to write the amount to donated capital account.
- 4-H Participation in the annual 4-H Jr. Livestock sale was reported to the group. A 4-H swine and a steer were purchased at the event for \$8,000. It was regularly moved, seconded, and passed by all directors to approve the purchase.
- Insurance Rerate The Medical, Dental, and Vision insurances were discussed. There will be no increase to the premiums for the 2021 year. Upon motion by Director Wyatt, seconded by Director Pearce, and passed by all directors present it was approved to retain the present insurances for the 2021 year.

**Manager's Report**

Fiber The board was updated on the County Road 8 and the Highway 13 fiber projects.

Power Bill Manager Michalewicz reported on the operations of the Association for the month of July 2020. The power bill for the month of July was \$3,909,800.19 there was 62,639,153 worth of kWh purchased, the demand was 96,407 the cost per kilowatt-hour was 62.4178 and the member system billing load factor was 81.7472. The Directors reviewed the statistical information for the month of June.

Recess A recess was called for lunch.

Reconvene The meeting was reconvened at 12:45 p.m.

Other Items Manager Michalewicz reviewed for the board several other items of interest including.

- Electric Vehicles
- Fire Management with OCR on 1-shot
- Fire by the Water Tanks in Meeker
- No Loss Time Accident Award
- Tariff Adjustments for late penalties
- Meeting with Republican Candidate Lauren Boebert
- Regional Fire losses
- Cyber update
- Annual meeting report and update

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

Attorney Report Attorney Zagar-Brown reported on the Co Rd 8 and Hwy 13 easements, also discussed were the FERC items of interest.

Travel There was no travel to consider.

Patronage Cap. Upon motion by Director Jordan, seconded by Director Parr, and passed by all directors, it was approved to retire the Tri-State Patronage Capital in the amount of \$882,019.89 to the membership from 1995.

NRECA The board discussed the online NRECA Region VII meeting. Upon motion by Director Pearce, seconded by Director Parr, and passed by all directors, it was approved for Director Jordan to be the voting delegate and Director Rogers the alternate.

Related Organizations Director Jordan reported that CREA had no meeting.

President Welle reported on Western.

Director Hilkey gave an in-depth report on Tri-State.


Director Wyatt gave a report on the Directors Advisory Committee.

CFO Dunbar reported on the CARE/ACRE interviews with the candidates for the upcoming State elections he participated in.

Executive Sess. Upon motion by Director Jordan, seconded by Director Rogers, and passed by all directors, it was approved to go into executive session to discuss renewables and rates.

Upon motion by Director Wyatt, seconded by Director Pearce, and passed by all directors, it was approved to reconvene the regular meeting.

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

  
Richard L. Parr, Secretary