

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING BOARD OF DIRECTORS

OF

WHITE RIVER ELECTRIC ASSOCIATION, INC.

February 17, 2021

The meeting of the Board of Directors of White River Electric Association, Inc was held via Teams with those in attendance in compliance with Federal, State and Local mandates. The meeting was held at 10:00 a.m. on, February 17, 2021 with the following Directors present:

Jordan, Pearce, Dearman, Rogers, Ducey, Hilkey and Parr were all present via TEAMS videoconference.

Directors Absent: None

President Pearce 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.
- Guests Guests included Staff Members Michalewicz, Dunbar, Matrisciano, Zagar-Brown, and Sampson who were also present via TEAMS videoconference.
- Minutes The minutes of the regular meeting of January 20, 2021 had been deposited in Boardpaq. It was noticed a typographical error which was corrected. It was then regularly moved, seconded, and passed, to approve the minutes as corrected.
- Bills and Checks The bills and checks for the month of January 2021 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 February 16, 2021 where the meeting was held in compliance with Covid19 mandates. Frank Sampson recapped the safety minutes with the board of directors. Covid 19 RESAP, Hazard Communication, MSDS, and CREA training were all reviewed. Also, a discussion regarding COVID vaccinations was held. It was regularly moved, seconded, and passed, by all Directors, to approve the safety report.
- Donations There were no donations for the board to review.
- Tri-State Director Upon motion by Director Dearman, seconded by Director Rogers, and passed by all directors present it was approved for Director Ron Hilkey to represent WREA on the Tri-State Board of Directors.
- Western United Director Upon motion by Director Jordan, seconded by Director Dearman, and passed by all directors present it was approved for Director Mark Rogers to represent WREA on the Western United Board of Directors.
- Scholarships After a review of the scholarships awarded, and upon motion by Director Rogers, seconded by Director Jordan, and passed by all directors present the scholarships for 2021 were approved.
- Manager's Report**
- Fiber The board was updated on the county road 8 fiber projects.
- Power Bill Manager Michalewicz reported on the operations of the Association for the month of January 2021. The power bill for the month of January was \$3,379,721.10 there was 55,037,192 worth of kWh purchased, the demand was 77,495 the cost per kilowatt-hour was 61.4079 and the member system billing load factor was 92.2561. The Directors reviewed the statistical information for the month of December and year end.
- Other Items Manager Michalewicz noted the margins for the year as preliminary based on the Tri-State Patronage Capital allocation. If the margins remained as they are it was discussed to defer and additions \$250,000 for future years rate stabilization. This will be discussed at next month's board meeting.
- Cyber Attorney Zagar-Brown updated the board on cyber items of interest with the board.
- Youth The youth programs were discussed. Since COVID had cancelled the programs, it was decided to award the winners of the youth tours. Upon motion by Director Dearman, seconded by Director Parr, and passed by all directors present it was approved to award the WREA Youth Camp participants \$100 gift cards, and the WREA Youth Tour contest winners \$500 gift cards

Position Manager Michalewicz updated the board on the filling of the Administrative Assistant/Accounting Clerk Position.

Fire The board was updated on the fire loss situation.

RBC An update on the RBC Historical Society's walking tour was reviewed by the directors.

Attorney Attorney Zagar-Brown updated the board on the board policy book and the employee handbook. Policy 215 was presented for approval, along with the Employee Handbook. Upon motion by Director Dearman, seconded by Director Rogers, and passed by all directors present these were approved.

In addition, the board review and discussed two additional policies, a net metering, and the Patronage Capital Policy.

Outside Counsel Upon motion by Director Parr, seconded by Director Dearman, and passed by all directors present it was authorized for Manager Michalewicz to contract with a legal firm for the purpose of collection from a member.

Break The board recessed for lunch at 12:05.

Reconvene The board reconvened the regular meeting at 12:35.

Travel There was no travel to consider.

Director Reports

Director Jordan gave brief report on CREA

Director Rogers reported on Western United

Director Hilkey reported on Tri-State

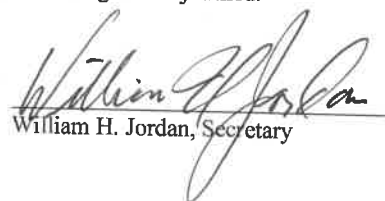
Director Ducey reported on Strategic Planning class and New Director Orientation.

Executive Session Upon motion by Director Jordan, seconded by Director Hilkey, and passed by all directors present it was approved to go into executive session to discuss rates and transmission.

Upon motion by Director Parr, seconded by Director Dearman, and passed by all directors present it was approved to return to the regular session.

Settlement Upon motion by Director Hilkey, seconded by Director Dearman, and passed by all directors present it was approved for Manager Michalewicz to approve the Tri-State settlement sheet as long as there were no changes to the document.

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


 William H. Jordan, Secretary