

MCLEAN ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC.
January 27, 2022

The January meeting of the board directors of McLean Electric Cooperative Inc. was held at the Cooperative's headquarters in Garrison, North Dakota, on the 27th day of January, 2022. The meeting was called to order by President Larry Gessele at 9:00 o'clock a.m.

Directors present were:

Clarence Behles
Larry Gessele
Karen Hanson - via telephone
Darcy Klain
Troy Presser
James Odermann
Rod Stockdill

Also in attendance were Finance Director, Wendy Kinn, Staff Engineer, Lucas Schaaf, Operations Manager, Keith Thelen, General Manager/CEO, Mark Doyle, and Attorney David A. Lindell.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the Consent Agenda which consisted of additional agenda items, review of directors checks, approval of the membership and service applications/transfers, and the minutes of the December 23, 2021, board meeting. The motion carried.

The estates of Norman and Martha Hoppe, Harold S. Hultberg, JoAnn Freborg, Eva Braun, Theresa Charging, and Sidney Coffin were presented for capital credit retirement. A motion was made and seconded to approve the retirement of the capital credits for the estates. The motion carried.

STAFF REPORTS:

1. Finance Department - Wendy Kinn. Items discussed and actions taken during the Finance Department report were as follows:
 - a) Provided the Financial Report for the Cooperative which included the review of the December and year end 2021 KW and KWH sales and revenue and financial ratios.

2021 revenue was below budget \$739,115.90. KWH sales for 2021 were below budget 6,878,318. KW sales ended 2021 above budget 9,628. Reviewed the cost of power for the years 2018 to 2021. The 2021 margin is approximately \$1,618,000.00 prior to Central Power allocation.

2. Engineering Department - Lucas Schaaf. Items discussed and actions taken during the Engineering Department report were as follows:
 - a) Provided a work load/work plan update.
 - b) Reported on Blue Flint improvement plans.
 - c) Reviewed the work plan progress report.
3. Operations Department - Keith Thelen. Items discussed and actions taken during the Operations Department Report were as follows:
 - a) Provided a work load update.
 - b) Reported that he attended the AT&S Annual Meeting. The Cooperative received a certificate for having no OSHA injuries.
 - c) Reviewed the Safety Performance Score Card.
 - d) The board reviewed the minutes of the Safety Committee Meeting held December 28, 2021.
4. General Manager's/CEO Report - Mark Doyle. Items discussed and actions taken during the General Manager/CEO Report were as follows:
 - a) Provided a Covid-19 update.
 - b) Provided a Coal Creek Station sale update.
 - c) Reported that he is working with McLean County to add language to the County Zoning Ordinance.
 - d) Operation Round-Up discussion. A nomination for Darci Behles as a member of the Operation Round-Up Trust Board was brought forward. A motion was made and seconded to appoint Darci Behles as director to the Operation Round-Up Trust Board. The motion carried.
 - e) Discussed possible interconnect policies with Lucas Schaaf. Star Energy Services was approached for development of the policies.
 - f) Discussed large load RFP's for data mining companies who may wish to locate within McLean County.

- g) Discussed Policy 318 credit card charges/fees. A motion was made and seconded to raise a customers ability to use a credit card to increase from a maximum of \$5,000.00 to \$15,000.00. The motion carried.
- h) Discussed the Quentin Burdick Cooperative Center capital drive.
- i) Reported that Grace Goven is the 2022 youth tour winner.
- j) Provided a Surplus Property Report with Keith Thelen.
- k) Reported on his attendance at the RDFC meeting.
- l) Reported that the NDAREC Foundation Board has a vacancy and is requesting nominations. A motion was made and seconded to nominate Director Klain for the position. The motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- a) Statewide - Stockdill
- b) Central Power - Presser
- c) Basin Electric - Presser

OTHER BUSINESS:

The board discussed payment in advance discounts with no action taken.

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

Co-Bank customer meeting will be held February 24-25, 2022, in Fargo, ND.

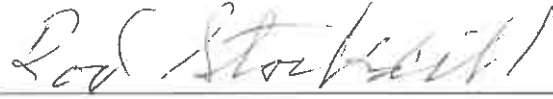
NRECA Annual Meeting will be held March 4-9, 2022, in Nashville, TN.

Central Power Annual Meeting will be held March 23-24, 2022, in Minot, ND.

The February board meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, February 23, 2022, beginning at 9:00 a.m.

Strategic Planning is scheduled for April 21-22, 2022, following the April board meeting on April 21, 2022, which will begin at 8:30 a.m.

The board went into Executive Session. After the Executive Session there being no further business, upon a motion made and seconded, the meeting was adjourned.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Rod Stokich", is written above a horizontal line.

Secretary