

MCLEAN ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC.  
November 24, 2015

The November meeting of the Board of Directors of McLean Electric Cooperative, Inc., was held at the Company's headquarters in Garrison, North Dakota, on the 24th day of November, 2015. The meeting was called to order by President Alvin Myers at 9:00 o'clock a.m.

Directors present:

Clarence Behles  
Larry Gessele  
Darcy Klain (at 10:00)  
Alvin Myers  
Troy Presser  
Thomas Sheldon  
Rod Stockdill

Also present were Manager Martin D. Dahl and Attorney David A. Lindell.

A motion was made by Presser and seconded by Behles to approve the Consent Agenda which consisted of the minutes of the October 26, 2015, board meeting, additional agenda items, review of director's checks, and approval of the membership and service applications. The motion carried.

The estates of Tony Brunner, Donna Williams and Grace Braasch were presented for capital credit retirement. A motion was made by Behles and seconded by Gessele to approve the retirement of the capital credits. The motion carried.

STAFF REPORTS:

1. Business Department - Courtney Uran and Manager Martin D. Dahl. Items discussed and actions taken during the Business Department Report were as follows:
  - a) Provided the Financial Report for the Cooperative, which included the KWH usage and revenue for October 2015, review of the October 2015, Form 7, financial ratios and budget to actual report.
2. Operations Department - Keith Thelen. Items discussed and actions taken during the operations department report were as follows:
  - a) Provided the November work load/work plan update.
  - b) Provided a Contract Labor update.

- c) The board acknowledged the Safety Report of the October 20, 2015, safety meeting.
3. Manager's Report - Martin D. Dahl. Items discussed and actions taken during the Manager's Report were as follows:
- a) Reported that he has resigned from the Statewide Benefits Trust as the Cooperative is moving ahead with a health plan through NRECA.
  - b) Discussed the 2015 capital credit retirement. A motion was made by Presser, seconded by Stockdill, for the Cooperative to retire \$256,000.00 of capital credits for 2015. The motion carried.
  - c) Reported that the 2016 NRECA Annual Meeting is scheduled for February 14-17, 2016, in New Orleans, Louisiana.
  - d) Presented a Service Contract for the new facilities owned by Turtle Lake Farmers Union Oil Company. The total project cost is \$72,887.00 with one-half of said cost due at execution of the agreement with the remainder payable over a ten (10) year term. A motion was made by Stockdill, seconded by Behles, to approve the Service Contract. The motion carried.
  - e) Reported that the 2016 NDAREC Annual Meeting is scheduled for January 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>, 2016, in Bismarck, North Dakota. Behles will be the delegate with Gessele as the alternate delegate.
  - f) Reported that the 2015 Midwest Annual Meeting is scheduled for December 7-10, 2015, in Denver, Colorado. Gessele and Sheldon will attend.
  - g) Provided a Dakotas America update.
  - h) Provided a Member Services update.
  - i) Reported that Manager Dahl has been asked to participate on the Missouri River Advisory Council.
  - j) Provided a report on his attendance at the RSGS Smart Grid meeting.
  - k) 2016 Budget discussion. The proposed budget was distributed to the directors and assumes a \$3.00 base rate increase and a 5 mill (½ cent) rate increase. A motion was made by Stockdill, seconded by Presser, to approve the 2016 proposed budget with the option to amend said budget during the December board meeting. The motion carried.

- 1) Discussed improvements to the lighting of the Cooperative's office.

REPORTS ON MEETINGS ATTENDED:

1. Statewide - Stockdill
2. Central Power - Presser
3. Clean Power Plan Meetings - Gessele and Dahl

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

1. The 2015 Midwest Annual Meeting is scheduled for December 7-10, 2015, in Denver, Colorado.
2. The 2016 NDAREC Annual Meeting is scheduled for January 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>, 2016, in Bismarck, North Dakota.
3. The next regular board meeting is scheduled for Thursday, December 24, 2015, at 8:30 o'clock a.m.

There being no further business, upon a motion made and carried, the meeting was adjourned.

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Secretary