

MCLEAN ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC.

December 21, 2020

The December meeting of the board directors of McLean Electric Cooperative Inc. was held at the Cooperative's headquarters in Garrison, North Dakota, on the 21st day of December, 2020. The meeting was called to order by President Larry Gessele at 9:30 o'clock a.m.

Directors present were:

Clarence Behles
Larry Gessele
Karen Hanson
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, the minutes of the November 30, 2020 board meeting. The motion carried.

The estate of Alex Steinwand was presented for capital credit retirement. A motion was made and seconded to retire the capital credits for the estate. 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 November 2020 KW and KWH sales and revenue, financial ratios, and the preliminary November 2020, Form 7. November revenue was below budget by \$115,313.74. Year to date revenue was over budget \$270,671.72. Year to date KWH sales were below budget 262,333 with year to date demand above budget 4,713. Year to date margin is \$499,008.00 and November margin was \$65,438.00.

2. Engineering Department - Lucas Schaaf. Items discussed and actions taken during the Engineering Department report were as follows:
 - a) Provided the current work load update.
 - b) Provided an IT update.
3. Operations Department - Keith Thelen. Items discussed and actions taken during the Operations Department Report were as follows:
 - a) Provided the work load/work plan and contract labor update.
 - b) The board reviewed the minutes of the December 16, 2020, Safety Committee Meeting.
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. There have been no quarantine's since last board meeting.
 - b) Discussed the Air Force Ground Base Strategic Deterrent (GBSD) regarding missile system resiliency.
 - c) Reported that he was appointed to the NDREC Foundation.
 - d) Discussed the NRECA Flexible Financing for Rural America Act and the letter he wrote to North Dakota's Congressional Members.
 - e) NRECA Annual Meeting delegate appointment. The 2021 Annual Meeting will be held virtually on March 4, 2021. Director Klain was appointed delegate with Director Hanson as the alternate.
 - f) Policy Review. The board reviewed Policy No. 501 - Member and Public Relations. No changes were suggested.
 - g) Provided a Coal Creek Station/Blue Flint update.
 - h) Reported that the Three Affiliated Tribes signed the WAPA Heat Credit Agreement.
 - i) Reported that NISC provided a 2020 capital credit allocation in the sum of \$4,938.37, and Co-Bank will be making a special all-cash patronage distribution in early 2021.

- j) Provided a community/public relations report.
- k) Discussed REPAC AND ACRE board contributions.


COMMITTEE REPORTS:

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

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

1. The January board meeting will be held Thursday, January 28, 2021, to begin at 9:30 o'clock 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.


Secretary