

MCLEAN ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC.
March 23, 2023

The March meeting of the board of directors of McLean Electric Cooperative Inc. was held at the Grand Hotel in Minot, North Dakota, following the adjournment of the Central Power Electric Cooperative Annual Meeting, on the 23rd day of March, 2023. The meeting was called to order by President, Larry Gessele, at 11:40 o'clock a.m.

Directors present were:

Larry Gessele
Karen Hanson
Darcy Klain
Troy Presser
James Odermann
Rod Stockdill

Directors absent were:

Clarence Behles

Also in attendance were Finance Manager Wendy Kinn, Staff Engineer Lucas Schaaf, Operations Manager Keith Thelen, Communications Manager Sonja Moe, 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 February 16, 2023, board meeting. The motion carried.

The estates of Inez Folden, MarJean Boe, and Amy Yecoshenko 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. Engineering Department - Lucas Schaaf. Items discussed and actions taken during the Engineering Department report were as follows:
 - a) Provided a staking/engineering update.
 - b) Presented a proposed change to Irrigation Rate 30. A motion was made and seconded to approve the change to Irrigation Rate 30. The motion carried.

2. Finance Department - Wendy Kinn. Items discussed and actions taken during the Finance Department report were as follows:
 - a) Provided the March Financial Report for the Cooperative which included the review of the February KW and KWH sales and revenue. The February financial ratios and Form 7.

A YTD revenue is \$2,632,099.00 which is \$123,900.00 below budget. YTD margin is \$190,166.00. YTD KWH sales are 25,071,914 which is 332,797 below budget.
 - b) Reported that the Cooperative has received the third FEMA Project payment of \$68,504.48.
 - c) Provided an update of the 2022 audit.
 - d) Reported that the cooperative's 2022 Federated Insurance allocation is \$4,275.00, of which a retirement payment of \$890.00 was received. Central Power allocation should be received shortly.
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) The board reviewed the minutes of the March 17, 2023, 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) Presented a donation request for Tyson Brandt who is a line foreman at North Central Electric Cooperative whose house burned down two weeks ago during a winter storm. A motion was made and seconded to donate \$1,000.00 to the Tyson Brandt family. A motion was made to amend the motion to donate \$500.00 to the Brandt family. The amendment carried.
 - b) RESCO Manager/Director nomination. Manager Doyle reported that he is interested in being nominated and the Board gave approval to submit such nomination.
 - c) The board reviewed the Corp of Engineers Certificate of Authority.

- d) Discussed the 2023 Annual Meeting.
5. Members Relations Report by Sonja Moe. During the Member Relations Report
 - a) A motion was made and seconded for the cooperative to donate \$500.00 to the Mercer TL Rodeo Club for bull riding and bronc riding, and \$500.00 to the Parshall/Turtle Lake-Mercer/Underwood/Wilton/Garrison/Max/Washburn schools for Dollars for Scholars with Basin Electric to match. The motion carried.
 - b) Announced that scholarship winners are Basin Electric Scholarships to Kade Kjelstrup of Underwood and Coryssa Behles of Garrison and the MEC Scholarship to Justin Volson of Minot, and that the Youth Tour winner is Hannah Myers of Ryder.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

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

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

- 1) Co-Bank ND Customer meeting - March 27-28, 2023, in Fargo, ND.
- 2) NRECA Legislative Conference - April 16-19, 2023, in Washington, DC.
- 3) CFC 2023 Forum - June 19-21, 2023, in Seattle, WA.
4. 2023 Annual Meeting - June 20, 2023.
5. The April board meeting is scheduled for Friday, April 21, 2023, which shall begin at 8:30 a.m.

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


Secretary

