



Nobles Cooperative Electric

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Regular Board Meeting Minutes

October 20, 2023 – Worthington, MN

Directors in attendance: Ron Schwartau, Lee York, Cindy Hokeness, Jerry Beckering, Gary Clarke, and Timothy Bickett. Director David Dorpinghaus was absent.

Other attendees: Chief Executive Officer (CEO)/General Manager Adam Tromblay, Chief Financial Officer (CFO) Michael Reemtsma, Line Superintendent Cody Hansen, Member Services Manager Tracey Haberman, and Executive Assistant Amy Rucker.

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Schwartau at 8:02 a.m. and a quorum was acknowledged.

Approval of Agenda

An agenda was presented for the board's consideration and approved.

Notice of Meeting

The notice of the meeting was given in accordance with the bylaws.

Appointment of Recording Secretary

Chairman Schwartau appointed Executive Assistant Rucker as the recording secretary for the meeting.

Getting to Know NCE Employees

Apprentice Lineworker Darren Engelkes joined the meeting. He and Member Services Manager Haberman talked with the board for a few minutes regarding their families, backgrounds, interests, etc.

Board Meeting Minutes

The September 22, 2023, Board Meeting Minutes were approved as presented.

Consent Agenda Items

The following consent agenda items were approved: disbursements for the period of September 2023, membership applications, membership cancellations, and settlement of accrued capital credits of deceased members, along with members requesting transfers of accrued capital credits.

December 2023 Board Meeting

December 19, 2023, at 8:30 a.m.

Attorney Invoice

A motion was made, seconded, and carried to approve the attorney invoice.

Director/Member Engagement

The October Worthington and Slayton Grab-n-Go events were discussed.

Executive Session

The board met in executive session.

Meeting/Conference Attendees

CEO/General Manager Tromblay will represent the cooperative at the Mid-West Electric Consumers Association Annual Meeting.

Director Reports

Directors York and Clarke gave updates on GRE.

Director Schwartau updated the board and staff on the Minnesota Rural Electric Association.

CEO/General Manger Report

CEO/General Manager Tromblay gave his monthly report, including a report on tours at seven newer electric distribution co-op buildings. The board instructed Tromblay to interview contractors and get estimates of what a new building may cost.

Management Reports

CFO Reemtsma presented the monthly financial report.

A motion was made, seconded, and carried to approve the financial report.

Line Superintendent Hansen gave the operations department report, including the work plan and an update on safety activities since the last board meeting.

Member Services Manager Haberman reported on upcoming events, as well as her department's September activities and statistics.

Adjourn

There being no further business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned at 11:54 a.m.