

MCLEAN ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC.
October 21, 2020

The October meeting of the board directors of McLean Electric Cooperative Inc. was held virtually and at the Cooperative's headquarters in Garrison, North Dakota, on the 21st day of October, 2020. The meeting was called to order by President Larry Gessele at 9:00 o'clock a.m.

Directors present at the headquarters were:

Larry Gessele
Clarence Behles
Rod Stockdill
Operations Manager, Keith Thelen
Staff Engineer, Lucas Schaaf
General Manager/CEO, Mark Doyle

Those present virtually were:

Karen Hanson
Troy Presser
James Odermann
Darcy Klain
Finance Manager, Wendy Kinn
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 September 24, 2020 board meeting and the minutes of the October 1, 2020, special meeting. The motion carried.

The board discussed the potential 2020 capital credit retirement. Management has proposed to retire MEC credits of \$397,238.72 which consists of the remainder of 2006, all of 2007, and a portion of 2008 capital credits and a pass through G&T allocation of \$386,169.05 for a total retirement of \$783,407.77. A motion was made and seconded to retire \$783,407.77 of G&T and MEC capital credits pending year end financial ability. 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 September 2020 KW and KWH sales and revenue, financial ratios, and the preliminary September 2020, Form 7. The year to date revenue is ahead of budget by \$399,981.65. Year to date KWH sales were ahead of budget 2,031,488 and demand is ahead of budget by 5,689.
 - b) Discussed the 2020-2021 preliminary budget.
 - c) A motion was made and seconded to approve the addition of Karen Thompson to be authorized with RUS in light of Marcia Zimmerman's upcoming retirement. The motion carried.
 - d) Reported that the 2020 Christmas party will not be held this year due to the Covid-19 pandemic.
 - e) Discussed CARES Act reimbursement.
2. Engineering Department - Lucas Schaaf. Items discussed and actions taken during the Engineering Department report were as follows:
- a) Reported that the proceeds for the Tesla battery sales have been received.
 - b) Reported that Engineer, Les Larson, will retire effective October 28, 2020.
 - c) Provided a workload update.
3. Operations Department - Keith Thelen. Items discussed and actions taken during the Operations Department Report were as follows:
- a) Provided a current work load/work plan and contract labor report.
 - b) The board reviewed the minutes of the October 13, 2020, Safety Committee meeting.
 - c) Reviewed a RESAP report.
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 report regarding the CoBank meeting he virtually attended.
- c) Provided a Coal Creek/Blue Flint update.
- d) Discussed future charitable contributions to coincide with CoBank sharing in success matching. He mentioned that \$7,742.00 has been donated to date in 2020. A motion was made and seconded for the Cooperative to give a \$1,000.00 scholarship to Wyatt Kersten in lieu of being unable to attend the 2020 youth tour. The motion carried.
- e) Reported that he was appointed to the Statewide Public Relations Committee to continue with the Martin Dahl appointment and that he may apply for other boards and committees.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

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

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

1. Basin Electric Annual Meeting will be held virtually on November 4, 2020.
2. The November board meeting will be held Monday, November 30, 2020, to begin at 9:00 o'clock a.m. and the December board meeting is tentatively scheduled for Monday, December 21, 2020, 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