

**Bon Homme Yankton Electric Association, Inc.**  
**Minutes of September 22, 2021 Monthly Board Meeting**

The September 22, 2021 monthly board meeting of the Bon Homme Yankton Electric Association, Inc. commenced at 8:05am. Directors present were: Dave Sykora, Robert Ruppelt, Dave Sternhagen, Rick Cheloha, Dean Sternhagen, John Lillevold, and Paul Voigt. Others in attendance personally were General Manager Stephanie Horst, Office Manager Nicole Einrem, Operations Manager Ken Carda, and Communications/Marketing Coordinator Jaclyn Arens. Attorney Sheila Woodward was also present.

President Voigt designated Attorney Sheila Woodward to record the minutes.

No conflicts noted. No changes to agenda.

**Agenda** – Motion by Dean Sternhagen second by Ruppelt to approve agenda. Motion carried.

**Consent Agenda** - Motion by Ruppelt second by Cheloha to approve the following items pursuant to the consent agenda:

- August 18, 2021 Regular Board Meeting Minutes
- Capital Credits to Estates (discounted) – None
- Closed Work Order Inventory- None
- Review New Members & Membership Cancellations
- Review Special Equipment purchases – \$39,668.29 (transformers)

**Reports**

- **Jaclyn Arens** presented the **Communications/Marketing Report**. Discussion was held concerning the annual meeting.
- **Operations Manager Ken Carda** reviewed the **Operations Report and Safety Report**.
  - o Ken also explained the need to replace the 12-ton Crimper at a cost of \$4400 and need for board approval under current policy. Motion by Cheloha second by Ruppelt to approve purchase the Crimper. Motion carried.
- **Nicole Einrem** presented the **August Financial Reports**.
- **Nicole Einrem** reviewed the 2020 Form 990 with the board. Motion by Cheloha, second by Dave Sternhagen to submit the 2020 Form 990 electronically and Stephanie Horst sign the paper copy. Motion carried.
- **Stephanie Horst** presented the **General Manager** report.
- **Stephanie Horst** reviewed the Strategic Plan from 2019
- **Stephanie Horst** reviewed the **East River Cyber Security/IT Report** for August.
- **Rich Cheloha** reported on his CCD class participation
- Various board members and General Manager discussed the East River Annual Meeting which was earlier this month in Sioux Falls
- **John Lillevold and Paul Voigt** reported on the NRECA Region 5/6 meeting
- **Dave Sternhagen** did not have any new report from SDREA. The meeting is tomorrow and Friday in Pierre.

- **Paul Voigt** presented the **East River** report.

**Motion to Accept Reports** - Motion by Sykora second by Dean Sternhagen to accept all reports. Motion carried.

**Generac Agreement with Union County** – Motion by Dave Sternhagen second by Lillevold to enter into agreement with Union County Electric regarding the sale of Generac generators. Motion carried.

**Withdrawal from Basin FERC Docket** – Motion by Cheloha second by Ruppelt to ratify the withdrawal of the Cooperative as an intervenor from the Basin FERC litigation. Motion carried.

**2021-09-01 Basin Load Forecast Review/Resolution.** Motion by Ruppelt second by Dave Sternhagen to approve the 2022 Basin Load Forecast as set out in the resolution. Motion carried.

**Policy 20-04 Review** – Board reviewed policy 20-04 regarding director fees, per diem, and expense. Discussion held as to how to deal with virtual meetings with the consensus being that if a board member is attending virtually as a delegate of the full board a fee would be permitted. General Manager Horst will revise the policy and bring it back for board approval at the next meeting.

**Policy 50-14** – Board reviewed Policy 50-14 regarding the uncontrolled heat rate. Adjustment made to demand rate meter to give a credit of 65% of the main meter demand rate to reflect same rate that East River reimburses the cooperative. Motion by Dave Sternhagen second by Cheloha to amend Policy 50-14. Motion carried.

**Executive Session** – Motion by Ruppelt second by Lillevold to enter executive session at 11:04am. Motion carried. Motion by Sykora second by Ruppelt to exit executive session at 12:04pm. Motion carried.

**Next Meeting Date** – Set for October 20, 2021 at 8am.

Motion by Dean Sternhagen second by Sykora to adjourn at 12:05pm. Motion carried.

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President

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Secretary