

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF  
LEWIS COUNTY RURAL ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE ASSOCIATION  
September 26, 2024**

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of Lewis County Rural Electric Cooperative Association (hereinafter referred to as “Cooperative”) was held on Thursday, September 26, 2024, at the office of the Cooperative pursuant to previous Board Resolution.

The business session was called to order at 6:05 p.m. by Emery Geisendorfer, President. Megan McCord, Attorney for the Cooperative, caused the minutes of the meeting to be kept. **CALL TO ORDER**

The following Directors were present: Emery “Buster” Geisendorfer, Mike Schantz, Larry Clark, Randy James, Larry Smoot, Sandra Ebeling, Jeff Whiston, Angela “Angie” Seals, and Donna Flood. Directors absent: none. Also present were Staci Mesmer, CEO/General Manager; and Megan McCord, Attorney.

A prayer of invocation was offered by Larry Clark. Following the invocation, the President led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance. **INVOCATION & PLEDGE**

The chair asked for approval of the agenda. On motion made, seconded and passed, the agenda was approved. **AGENDA APPROVAL**

Minutes of the meeting of August 29, 2024 were presented. On motion made, seconded, and passed, the Board resolved to approve the minutes. **MINUTES APPROVED**

The Board reviewed the written safety report and CEO Mesmer supplemented the report with information regarding a recent safety meeting. **SAFETY REPORT**

The Board reviewed the list of new members for the previous month. On motion made, seconded and passed, the Board approved the list of new members as presented. **MEMBER APPROVAL**

The Board reviewed work orders for the previous month. On motion made, seconded, and passed unanimously, the work orders were approved as presented. **WORK ORDERS**

The Board reviewed the written financial report for the month of August 2024, and the preliminary financial report for September 2024. CEO Mesmer supplemented the written reports. After discussion, on motion made, seconded and passed, the financial report was accepted. **FINANCIAL REPORT**

The Board reviewed the disbursements for the previous month. After discussion, on motion made, seconded, and passed, the disbursements and electronic transfers were approved.

#### **DISBURSEMENTS REVIEW**

CEO Mesmer provided a recap of the recent strategic planning session and provided information on what steps staff is taking to implement the strategic plan.

#### **STRATEGIC PLAN REVIEW**

The Board reviewed the written manager's report. CEO Mesmer supplemented her report with information on her attendance at various meetings. She also reported on savings to the Cooperative from the new sales tax exemption law.

#### **MANAGER'S REPORT**

The Board reviewed written reports from staff members. CEO Mesmer supplemented the reports with information on construction projects.

#### **STAFF REPORTS**

CEO Mesmer informed the Board that a voting delegate needed to be selected for the NRECA Annual and Regional Meetings. After discussion, on motion made, seconded and passed the Board appointed CEO Mesmer as the NRECA voting delegate.

#### **NRECA ANNUAL AND REGIONAL MEETING VOTING DELEGATE**

CEO Mesmer informed the Board that a voting delegate needed to be selected for the CFC Annual Meeting. After discussion, on motion made, seconded and passed the Board appointed CEO Mesmer as the CFC voting delegate.

#### **CFC VOTING DELEGATE**

CEO Mesmer presented information on a request to move a three-phase line on Highland Elementary school property to allow the school district to construct a FEMA tornado shelter. She also provided data on cooperative member participation in annual meetings across the state.

#### **MISCELLANEOUS**

CEO Mesmer reported her attendance to the recent AMEC meeting. Items of interest included: upcoming annual meeting; State Fair recap; and iPad voting data.

#### **AMEC REPORT**

Mike Schantz reported no meeting has occurred since the last board meeting.

#### **NORTHEAST POWER REPORT**

The Board entered into Executive Session to discuss legal and personnel matters.

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Following Executive Session, the following motion was made, **EMPLOYEE WAGE INCREASE** seconded and passed: Resolved that the wage increase for non-union employees be approved as recommended by management.

The next regular meeting of the Board will be called Thursday, **NEXT REGULAR MEETING** October 24, 2024 at the office of the Cooperative in Lewistown, Missouri.

There being no further business to come before the Board, on motion **ADJOURNMENT** made, seconded and passed, the meeting was adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Approved:

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Chairman

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Secretary