

Y-W ELECTRIC ASSOCIATION, INC.  
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
August 18, 2020

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of Y-W Electric Association, Inc. was held at the headquarters of the Association, located at 26862 US Highway 34 in Akron, Colorado, at 1:07 p.m. on August 18, 2020.

ROLL CALL

President Roger Schenk called the meeting to order. Directors present were:

Robert Bledsoe	Chet Gebauer
Craig Lambley	Stuart Travis
Freeman Morris	Larry Winger
Roger Schenk	Joneal Young
Steven Schoenfeld	

Manager Loutensock, Rod Dunker, Brandee Bullard, Marjie Hottinger, Andy Molt, and Attorney Fredregill were also present. Attorney Fredregill recorded the minutes of the meeting. Marjie Hottinger, Rod Dunker, Andy Molt, and Brandee Bullard attended via zoom video conference.

AGENDA APPROVED

It was properly moved, seconded, and carried that the agenda be approved as presented.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Members Monte and Peggy Willeke entered the meeting. Mr. Willeke addressed the board regarding an incident where a piece of farm equipment pulled by Mr. Willeke contacted and damaged a Y-WEA neutral line. Mr. Willeke reported the incident and was ultimately billed for the damage according to company policy. Mr. Willeke requested that Y-WEA waive enforcement of the policy, citing that he had pulled the particular implement for over 20 years without contacting an electric line. Mr. Willeke had not previously traveled down the road where he contacted the line. Manager Loutensock and Rod Dunker reported that the affected line was two feet above the minimum clearance when last inspected and that maximum possible sag would still result in the line being above minimum clearance standards by over a foot.

Monte and Peggy Willeke exited the meeting.

The board directed management to continue to apply the policy uniformly.

## CONSENT AGENDA

The Consent Agenda contained the following items:

- a. Minutes of the July 21, 2020 Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors
- b. List of persons to be accepted into membership in Y-W Electric Association, Inc.
- c. Policy 1-1 Policy Manual
- d. Policy 1-2 Board of Directors General Manager Relationship
- e. Policy 1-3 Functions of the Board of Directors
- f. Capital credit refunds for estates of deceased members

The Consent Agenda was revised with the removal of Policy 1-3 for legal review. It was properly moved, seconded, and carried to approve the Consent Agenda as revised.

## JULY BILLS

Trent Loutensock presented the list of bills paid by the Association in the month of July 2020.

## FINANCIAL REPORT

Brandee Bullard presented the August Loan Rate Comparison and Long-Term Debt Summary. She also presented the June Statement of Operations and Form 7.

## FEDERATED INSURANCE UPDATE

Paul Estrada entered the meeting via telephone conference. Mr. Estrada presented the Anniversary Review of Insurance Policies.

## FINANCIAL REPORT CONTINUED

Loutensock presented the June Operating Forecast, 6-year equity graph, Consumer Sales and Revenue Data Report, and revenue and expense graphs. He also presented the general ledger through June and the power bill through August 14, 2020. He also presented graphs of demand, energy, and cost per kWh through July 2020.

## WRITE-OFFS

Bullard presented the write-offs for accounts disconnected prior to May 18, 2020. It was properly moved, seconded, and carried to approve the write-offs in the amount of \$4,082.51.

## PROPERTY TAX EVALUATION

Bullard presented the 2020 Final Notice of Valuation apportioned by county.

President Schenk recessed the meeting at 2:55 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 3:05 p.m.

## HEADQUARTERS REPORT

Trent Loutensock reported on the status of the sale of the old headquarters building. Y-WEA has received a lien release from lenders, and closing is scheduled for August 21, 2020. The oil processing tanks for the new headquarters building have been manufactured and transportation is being arranged.

## MANAGER REPORT

Manager Loutensock reviewed the delinquent accounts. He presented thank you notes. He also presented the NISC District 7 Notice of Nomination, an update on the Akron Elks Poker Run, and CFC Solutions Newsletter.

Director Lambley exited the meeting.

## DISCUSSION WITH REPRESENTATIVE RICHARD HOLTORF

Representative for the 64<sup>th</sup> District of the Colorado House of Representatives, Richard Holtorf entered the meeting. Holtorf and the board discussed Proceedings No. 19F-0620E and 19F-0621E before the PUC regarding the dispute between Tri-State G&T, United Power, Inc., and La Plata Electric Association. Holtorf presented a proposed letter, to be signed by him and Colorado State Senator Jerry Sonnenberg, requesting the PUC to allow the participation of all distribution co-ops that will be affected by its decision in the foregoing proceedings.

Representative Holtorf exited the meeting.

## COLORADO PUC

The board reviewed Y-WEA's Exceptions to Recommended Decision No. R20-0502 in PUC Proceedings No. 19F-0620E and 19F-0621E. Loutensock reported that Southeast Colorado Power Association will be filing comments in the foregoing proceedings that are in alignment with the exceptions. Eight other co-ops will be sending comparable letters to the PUC.

## FERC UPDATE

Manger Loutensock presented the letter sent on behalf of Y-WEA to the Secretary of Federal Energy Regulatory Commission in support of Tri-State Generation and Transmission Association, Inc. in FERC Docket No. ER20-2417-0000.

#### WRAY WIND REPORT

Loutensock presented the July Wray Wind Report.

#### DONATION REQUESTS

Manager Loutensock presented donation requests from Baby Bear Hugs and Pro15.

#### POLICY 6-4

Loutensock presented a revised Policy 6-4. It was properly moved seconded and carried to approve Policy 6-4 as presented.

#### WESTERN UNITED

Director Schoenfeld reported that the annual fish fry has been cancelled.

#### CREA

Director Travis reported on online director class offerings by CREA.

#### TRI-STATE REPORT

President Schenk reported on his attendance at the regular virtual meeting of the Tri-State Board of Directors, the virtual annual meeting, and strategic planning. Tri-State's financials are above budget. Strategic planning focused on cost saving measures.

#### Mid-West

There was no meeting of the Mid-West Electric Board of Directors.

#### UPCOMING MEETINGS

The Directors discussed attendance at upcoming meetings.

#### EXECUTIVE SESSION

It was properly moved, seconded, and carried to enter executive session to receive confidential testimony on a personnel matter, with all directors and staff present at

the meeting, Manager Loutensock, and Attorney Fredregill present. It was properly moved, seconded, and carried to exit executive session.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the meeting, the meeting was adjourned at 4:47 p.m.

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SECRETARY

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PRESIDENT