

BUTLER RURAL ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC.**BOARD OF TRUSTEES****AUGUST 26, 2020**

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of Butler Rural Electric Cooperative, Inc. was held at the Cooperative office, at 3888 Stillwell Beckett Road, Oxford, Ohio on August 26, 2020. The meeting was called to order by Tom McQuiston at 9:00 a.m.

ROLL CALL

Board members present were: Tom McQuiston, Robert Hoelle, David Evans, Butch Foster, Jay Hasbrook, Ron Kolb, Jim Meador, Robert Spaeth, and Mike Tilton. Others present were: Thomas Humbach, Attorney; Lee Geiger, Attorney; Thomas C. Wolfenbarger, General Manager; Charles Young, Manager of Engineering and Planning; Judie Persinger, Director of Accounting and Finance; and Lisa Staggs Herrmann, Director of Member and Community Relations; Julie Abbott, Director of Administration; and Adam Osborn, Manager of Safety & Compliance. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag and invocation by Mike Tilton.

MINUTES

A motion was made by Ron Kolb, seconded by Jim Meador that the minutes of the regular meeting held on July 29, 2020 be approved. The motion also included suspending the reading of the minutes. Motion carried.

FINANCIAL REPORT**REVIEW STATEMENTS AND CHECKS WRITTEN**

The unaudited financial statements were presented to the Board by Judie Persinger. Robert Hoelle reviewed a report of the checks written for the month of July. A motion was made by Butch Foster, seconded by Robert Spaeth, that the past payment of bills be approved and the unaudited financial statements be accepted as presented. Motion carried.

ENGINEERING REPORT

Charles Young reported on the fiber progress. Forty Butler sites should be completed by October. He provided a timeline for member sites to be released. Charles updated the Trustees on pending net metering systems and applications and monthly community solar production. A review was made of the SAIDI, SAIFI, and CAIDI reliability reports.

SAFETY & COMPLIANCE REPORT

Adam Osborn reported on safety & compliance activities for the month of July, which included field observations, property damage, investigations, and virtual meetings and training.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Tom McQuiston confirmed the cancellation of the 2021 NRECA Annual Meeting in San Diego, CA. There will be a virtual meeting. More details to follow.

OHIO'S ELECTRIC COOPERATIVES & BUCKEYE POWER INC.

An electronic report was submitted by Tom Wolfenbarger prior to the board meeting of the Buckeye Power, Inc. monthly meeting. Tom McQuiston submitted an electronic copy, of the monthly meeting held by teleconference of the Ohio Electric Cooperatives, Inc. and notes from the NRECA July Board meeting, before the board meeting. They addressed Trustee questions from the meetings.

TRUSTEES REPORT**HUMAN RESOURCES REPORT**

Julie Abbott reviewed the Annual Benefit Plan Rating for 2021 and recommended no changes to the plans. She reviewed past and upcoming meetings, training for employees and Trustees, and a report of COVID-19 effects on the cooperative.

MANAGER'S REPORT

Tom Wolfenbarger reported that four staff evaluations were completed in July and a staff retreat was conducted in August. He reported on the RUS audit process and the Buckeye Power Rate Committee meeting. Tom discussed efforts in the state house to repeal House Bill 6.

ACTIVITIES REPORT

Tom Wolfenbarger submitted an electronic list of dates of past and future activities.

CORRESPONDENCE

Items of correspondence were received and shared with the trustees.

OTHER DISCUSSION

The Board discussed the participation of board meetings while on vacation.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further items of business to discuss, the meeting was declared adjourned at 11:38 a.m. by Tom McQuiston.

Respectfully submitted,



David Evans
Secretary/Treasurer