

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF
BARTON COUNTY ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC.
August 29, 2018**

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of Barton County Electric Cooperative, Inc., (hereinafter referred to as “Cooperative”) was held on August 29, 2018, at the offices of the Cooperative pursuant to previous Board resolution.

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by President Kenny Owen. The following Directors were present: Kenny Owen, David Stump, Kevin Taffner, Tom Williams, Matt Schlichting, Karl Morey, Charles Webb, Jerry Marti, and Karen Nims. Directors absent: none. Also present were Jeff Hull, CEO/General Manager; Shawn Battagler, General Counsel; and staff members Shawna Phipps, Tara Littlejohn, David Engelage, Sharla Wilkerson, Todd Suschnick, and Tim Riley.

A prayer of invocation was offered by Jerry Marti. Kenny Owen led the Board in a recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Board considered its consent agenda consisting of minutes of the July 25, 2018 meeting, membership applications, and July disbursements. Following discussion, on motion made by Kevin Taffner, seconded by Karl Morey and passed, the actions required for the consent agenda were approved and the minutes were approved as presented.

Staff updated the Board on strategic goals related to safety, rates, communications, Board and employee education, and reliability.

The Board reviewed written staff reports. Department leaders answered questions about department activities, including Operations, Accounting, Billing and Member Services. On motion made by Matt Schlichting, seconded by Charles Webb and passed, the Board resolved to accept the staff reports.

Todd Suschnick left the meeting.

**CALL TO ORDER
ROLL CALL**

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE

**CONSENT AGENDA
APPROVED**

STRATEGIC GOALS UPDATE

STAFF REPORTS

David Engelage reviewed the written Safety Report for July operations. He discussed the following: Safety Night; training; and OSHA compliance. On motion made by Charles Webb, seconded by Matt Schlichting and passed, the Board resolved to accept the Safety Report.

SAFETY REPORT

President Kenny Owen reported his attendance to the meeting of KAMO Electric Power Cooperative. Items of interest included: revenue; generation statistics; sales; year-to-date financials; legal expenses; AECI update; trustee orientation; K-PowerNet; and work plan amendments.

KAMO BOARD REPORT

CEO Hull reported his attendance to the meeting of AMEC. Items of interest included: HB 1880; decision to promote Caleb Jones to Executive Vice President upon the retirement of Barry Hart; and member unrest at other cooperatives.

AMEC REPORT

CEO Hull presented his monthly report which included: AECI update; Federated update; cushion of credit; City of Lamar discussions; Triennial survey; discussions with engineers; rates; concealed carry training; CFC Board training; and ADM rate review. On motion made by Tom Williams, seconded by Jerry Marti and passed, the Board resolved to approve the CEO Report.

CEO REPORT

Andy Heins of Finley Engineering entered the meeting and presented information on rural broadband developments. Following his presentation, he was excused from the meeting.

BROADBAND PRESENTATION

The Board took up the recommendation to delete Member Security Deposits Policy and Policy 305, Automatic Disconnect Devices Policy. After review, on motion made by Matt Schlichting, seconded by Karen Nims and passed, the Board resolved to delete Member Security Deposits Policy and Policy 305 as recommended.

DELETION OF MEMBER SECURITY DEPOSITS POLICY & POLICY 305

The Board took up Policies 300, 310, 610, 610-A, 610-B, and 515. After review, on motion made by Jerry Marti, seconded by Karl Morey and passed, the Board resolved to approve Policies 305, 300, 310, 610, 610-A, 610-B, and 515 as presented to the

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meeting.

The Board considered deletion of Policy 500, Standard Construction Policy. Action was tabled until the next meeting.

Staff members were excused from the meeting.

The Board entered into Executive Session.

Following Executive Session, the President asked for unfinished business. There was none.

The President asked for new business. There was none.

There being no further business to come before the Board, on motion made by Karl Morey, seconded by Charles Webb and passed, the meeting was adjourned.

POLICY 500

EXECUTIVE SESSION

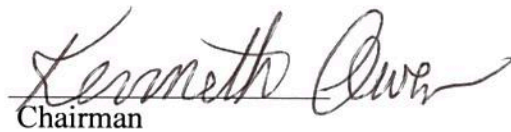
UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

ADJOURNMENT


Secretary

Approved:


Chairman