

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF
BARTON COUNTY ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC.
October 25, 2017**

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of Barton County Electric Cooperative, Inc., (hereinafter referred to as "Cooperative") was held on October 25, 2017, 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, Barbara Barley, Karl Morey, Charles Webb, and Karen Nims. Directors absent: none. Also present were Jeff Hull, CEO/General Manager; Shawn Battagler and Jonathan Sabella, General Counsel; and staff members Shawna Phipps, Chuck Wolfe, Tara Littlejohn, Sharla Wilkerson, David Engelage, Todd Suschnick, Bobby Pulliam, Travis Willhite, Dennis Gariss, Tim Riley, and Andy Wolf.

A prayer of invocation was offered by Tom Williams. Matt Schlichting led the Board in a recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Board considered its consent agenda consisting of minutes of the September 27, 2017 meeting, membership applications, and September disbursements. Following discussion, on motion made by Tom Williams, seconded by Karl Morey and passed, the actions required for the consent agenda were approved and the minutes were approved as presented.

The Board reviewed written staff reports. Department leaders answered questions about department activities, including Operations, Accounting, Billing and Member Services. Items of interest included: contractor invoice questions; storm outages; pole check; and equipment vendor. On motion made by David Stump, seconded by Karen Nims and passed, the Board resolved to accept the staff reports.

**CALL TO ORDER
ROLL CALL**

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE

**CONSENT AGENDA
APPROVED**

STAFF REPORTS

David Engelage presented the Safety Report for September operations including injuries, incidents, inspections, pole top rescue certification by AECl, and training. On motion made by Barbara Barley, seconded by Charles Webb and passed, the Board resolved to accept the Safety Report.

SAFETY REPORT

President Kenny Owen and CEO Hull reported their attendance to the KAMO Board meeting. Items of interest included: margins; facilities acquisitions from Northeast Oklahoma Electric Cooperative; construction; SCADA upgrade status; radio updates; AECl report; and transmission negotiations.

KAMO REPORT

CEO Hull reported his attendance to the meeting of AMEC. Items of interest included: legislative activities; Right to Work status; Amendment 2 lawsuit; Sho-Me Judgment vacated; easement legislation; net metering; eminent domain; territorial agreements; training; Rural Missouri update; hurricane assistance; and Linemen Rodeo.

AMEC REPORT

CEO Hull presented his monthly report which included: AECl update; generation sources; demand charge calculation; ADM discussions; rural broadband; strategic planning session; and residential demand meeting. On motion made by Karl Morey, seconded by Charles Webb and passed, the Board resolved to approve the CEO Report.

CEO REPORT

After discussion, on motion made by Tom Williams, seconded by Karl Morey and passed, the Board resolved to reaffirm Policy 105, Member Access.

POLICY 105, MEMBER ACCESS

The Board reviewed Policy 110, Member Access. No action was taken.

POLICY 110, MEMBER ATTENDANCE AT BOARD MEETINGS

Tara Littlejohn presented the proposed 2018 Budget. Staff and key employees answered questions from the Board. On motion made by Karl Morey, seconded by Charles Webb and passed, the Board resolved to approve the 2018 Budget as presented to the meeting.

2018 BUDGET

The President asked for unfinished business. CEO Hull reported on the status of potential area economic development projects and PTO procedures.


UNFINISHED BUSINESS

The President asked for new business. There was none.


NEW BUSINESS

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

ADJOURNMENT


Secretary

Approved:


Chairman