

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF
BARTON COUNTY ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC.
April 26, 2017**

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of Barton County Electric Cooperative, Inc., (hereinafter referred to as "Cooperative") was held on April 26, 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, Max Walters, Jerry Thieman, David Stump, Kevin Taffner, Tom Williams, Barbara Barley, Matt Schlichting, and Karl Morey. Directors absent: none. Also present were Jeff Hull, Interim CEO/General Manager; Shawn Battagler, General Counsel; and staff members Shawna Phipps, Sharla Wilkerson, Chuck Wolfe, Tara Littlejohn, and David Engelage.

A prayer of invocation was offered by Jerry Thieman. Barbara Barley led the Board in a recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Board considered its consent agenda consisting of minutes of the March 28, 2017 meeting, membership applications, and March 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: NRECA international assistance, construction, and right-of-way. On motion made by Matt Schlichting, seconded by David Stump and passed, the Board resolved to accept the staff reports.

David Engelage presented the Safety Report for March operations. On motion made by Jerry Thieman, seconded by Tom Williams and passed, the Board resolved to accept the Safety Report.

**CALL TO ORDER
ROLL CALL**

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE

**CONSENT AGENDA
APPROVED**

STAFF REPORTS

SAFETY REPORT

Auditor Warren Grigsby entered the meeting. He reviewed the 2016 Audit and answered questions from the Board.

2016 AUDIT

The Interim CEO and Staff were excused from the meeting. The Board entered into Executive Session with the auditor.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Board then returned to the regular session. On motion made by Karl Morey, seconded by Barbara Barley and passed, the Board resolved to approve the 2016 Audit Report.

2016 AUDIT APPROVED

Max Walters and Interim CEO Hull reported their attendance to the KAMO Board meeting. Items of interest included: transmission arbitration; fiber update; patronage capital retirement; safety report; power plant visit; KAMO financials and operations; and AECI update.

KAMO REPORT

Interim CEO Hull presented his monthly report which included: AMEC legislative efforts; storm budget; construction concerns; annual meeting discussion; and discussion regarding PURPA. On motion made by Max Walters, seconded by Jerry Thieman and passed, the Board resolved to approve the CEO Report.

CEO REPORT

On motion made by Jerry Thieman, seconded by Barbara Barley and passed, the Board nominated Kenny Owen to serve as KAMO Board Member and Annual Meeting Voting Delegate and Jeff Hull as Alternate for the remainder of the current term being vacated by the retirement of Max Walters.

KAMO BOARD MEMBER AND ANNUAL MEETING VOTING DELEGATE

On motion made by Max Walters, seconded by Jerry Thieman and passed, the Board resolved to adopt Policy 110 as recommended by staff.

POLICY 110

On motion made by Barbara Barley, seconded by Matt Schlichting and passed, the Board resolved to adopt Policy 670 as recommended by staff.

POLICY 670

Staff members left the meeting.

The Board entered Executive Session. Following Executive Session, the Board reported on action to name Jeff Hull as CEO.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The President asked for unfinished business. There was none.

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