

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE MEMBERS
OF BARTON COUNTY ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC.
May 5, 2016

The 80th Annual Meeting of the Members of Barton County Electric Cooperative, Inc., convened at Moore Pavilion in the City of Lamar, Barton County, Missouri at 6:30 p.m., on May 5, 2016, pursuant to the date fixed by the Board of Directors under the provisions of the bylaws and notice of the meeting.

Registration began at 5:00 p.m. with a meal served to members, prepared by Chicken Mary's. Pre-meeting entertainment was provided by That Dalton Gang.

President Douglas Haile called the meeting to order. That Dalton Gang led in singing the National Anthem. Employee Rusty Endicott led the in the Pledge of Allegiance and offered a prayer of invocation.

President Haile welcomed members and recognized guests at the meeting. He introduced the Board of Directors.

Attendance prizes were distributed throughout the course of the meeting.

Rod Widger, General Counsel and Parliamentarian for the meeting, verified the status of the meeting. He announced that there were 430 members registered and that the quorum requirement was satisfied to conduct the business of the meeting. Mr. Widger explained the voting method to be used during the meeting. On motion made, seconded and passed, the membership resolved to waive the reading of the Official Notice and proof of mailing of notice.

Secretary/Treasurer Joel Maneval presented the minutes of the 2015 Annual Meeting. On motion made, seconded and passed, the membership resolved to approve the 2015 minutes as printed.

President Haile presented the President's Report. He reviewed the accomplishments of the past decade. He spoke of the Cooperative's strong equity position, capital credit retirements, divestiture from propane business, right-of-way maintenance, pole change outs, and line conversions. He expressed appreciation for the Cooperative staff and employees.

Secretary/Treasurer Joel Maneval presented the Treasurer's Report with a review of the balance sheet and consolidated statement of operations printed in the meeting program. On motion made, seconded and passed, the membership resolved to accept the Treasurer's Report.

Attorney Widger explained the proposed bylaw amendment regarding the definition of joint membership under law. On motion made, seconded and passed, the membership approved the bylaw amendment.

Mr. Widger introduced director candidates and gave instructions for the marking and collecting ballots. Voting was closed and ballots were collected to be counted with results to be reported before the conclusion of the meeting.

Chief Executive Officer Russell McCorkle gave his annual report. He recognized Associated Electric Cooperative, Association of Missouri Electric Cooperatives, and other organizations present and supporting the meeting. He recognized law enforcement, emergency services and military active duty, retired and veterans. He explained the Cooperative's ongoing effort to deliver safe, reliable, and affordable electric service. He reviewed with the membership the 7 Cooperative Principles that distinguish cooperative organizations.

Mr. Widger reported the results of the Director election as follows: Kenny Owen – 398 votes, Karl Morey – 356 votes, Matt Schlichting – 356 votes, and Rusty Phipps – 332 votes. It was therefore ordered that Kenny Owen, Karl Morey, and Matt Schlichting were each elected for a term of 3 years and until their successors are elected and qualified.

The President asked for old business and there was none. He then called for new business and there was none. On motion made, seconded and passed, the meeting was adjourned.


Secretary