

MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF
FALL RIVER RURAL ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC.

JUNE 16, 2018

The meeting of the Fall River Rural Electric Cooperative, Inc. Board of Directors was held prior to the Annual Membership Meeting on Saturday, June 16, 2018, at Teton High School in Driggs, Idaho. A quorum was present, and President Doug Schmier called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m. Executive Assistant Joni Amen recorded the minutes. The invocation was given by Director Dan Skene.

ATTENDING OFFICERS

President Doug Schmier, Secretary/Treasurer Dede Draper, Immediate Past President Jay Hanson

DIRECTORS PRESENT

Brent Robson, Dan Skene, Ron Dye, Debbie Smith and Georg Behrens

ABSENT

Ralph Burton

OTHERS

General Manager/CEO (CEO) Bryan Case, Executive Assistant Joni Amen, Attorney Jerry Rigby, Candidates Charles Allen, Wes Donahoo, and special guests BPA Administrator Elliot Mainzer and PNGC Director Beth Looney

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Director Hanson made a motion to approve the Agenda. Director Robson seconded. A voice vote was taken; THE MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE.

NEW MEMBERSHIPS & AGREEMENTS

The official business of this meeting was to approve the list of new memberships and purchase of power agreements, in the event any of the new members would like to vote at the annual meeting. Following a review of the new memberships and purchase of power agreements, **Director Robson made a motion to approve the new memberships and agreements, seconded by Director Hanson.** A voice vote was taken; THE MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE.

ANNUAL MEETING TIMELINE AND AGENDA

CEO Bryan Case reviewed the outline of the Agenda and reported on board and staff assignments. Elliot Mainzer and Beth Looney were welcomed. CEO Case announced that Mr. Mainzer was interviewed on the Channel 6 News; he was happy to talk about the value and benefits of hydroelectric, carbon-free power.

OTHER BUSINESS:

CEO Case reported that elections for board officers will be held in July. If anyone is interested, please let Director Hanson know. A new board member orientation meeting will also be held soon.

CEO Case said he has the opportunity to meet with Ryan Zinke at a CEO round table meeting. If there are any pressing topics, please let him know. The current topics on the list to discuss include maintaining the value of the federal hydro system, keeping costs competitive at BPA, efforts to modernize the Columbia River Treaty with Canada, access to and maintenance of electric facility rights of way on federal land, and streamlining of the application and approval process for easements.

Mrs. Looney addressed the Board regarding current issues with PNGC. Growth is a major objective. She said she sees value in non-member sales, though she is a cooperative fan. Mrs. Looney commented that she is working on the issue of HR3144 and trying to assist with containing costs. Senator Simpson is on board except for item 4, which states that no federal money will be used in the study of dam removal.

Mr. Mainzer was introduced and discussed his opportunity to be on the news. He discussed his vision of the future. He enjoyed learning more about Fall River's strategic plan and said that he is working on the same issues with BPA. He especially enjoyed learning about the area. He said BPA is striving to be the provider of choice and to plan for the new technologies; they are tightening their budgets so that they can be competitive. Keeping costs under control and bringing in revenue from carbon-free power that they are providing is important. He complimented CEO Case for being such a good friend and said he has helped introduce him to the public utility managers and made the transition into his new job easier. He said he loves coming here and his family is from the area. Thanks to CEO Case he better understands transfer power and with Fall River's concerns of being at the end of the line. Environmental issues were discussed, and we appreciate Mr. Mainzer bringing balance and common sense to the issue.

Mr. Mainzer said that he was impressed with Fall River's zero lost time record. Safety was discussed further as well as the importance of high-level of commitment.

Director Dan Skene was thanked for his years of service and a plaque of appreciation along with a picture of the Board were presented.

Director Hanson made a motion to recess. Director Robson seconded. A voice vote was taken; THE MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE. The meeting was recessed at 8:55 a.m. until after the Annual Member Meeting.

President Doug Schmier reconvened the regular Board meeting, calling the meeting back to order at 1:00 p.m. with the following in attendance: President Doug Schmier, Secretary/Treasurer Dede Draper, Immediate Past President Jay Hanson, and Directors Debbie Smith, Brent Robson, Georg Behrens, Dan Skene, and Ron Dye. Newly elected Brent "Husk" Crowther joined the board meeting at this time. Attorney Jerry Rigby,

CEO/General Manager (CEO) Bryan Case and Executive Assistant Joni Amen also present.

ELECTION RESULTS

The final number of members registered to vote was 1,593; the number of proxies voted was zero and the number of electronic votes were 269. Most ballots were returned by mail totaling 1,028 votes. Members registered to vote in person totaled 296. The numbers for each candidate were reported.

The results of the election of the director's areas were as follows:

District 1 – Rexburg/Ririe:

Charles Allen -----	176
Brent Crowther -----	363
Wesley Donahoo -----	286
Todd Marx -----	110
Reed Miller-----	259
Mike Oswald-----	88
Shane Schulthies -----	83

District 5: West Driggs/Tetonia

Brent Robson -----	1327
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District 6 – Ashton:

Jack Baird -----	230
Dede Draper-----	952
Shelby Tuckett-----	196

1081 approved By Law change. 84 opposed.
1075 approved Ad Hoc Committee. 84 opposed.

Discussion took place on how the meeting turned out. Further discussion will take place at the next board meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Director Hanson made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Director Robson. A voice vote was taken; THE MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE. The meeting was adjourned at 1:20 p.m.

DATE APPROVED: July 23, 2018


Secretary Dede Draper