

THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF WELLS RURAL ELECTRIC COMPANY

May 16, 1986

The regular meeting of the board of directors of Wells Rural Electric Company was held in the Carlin office and called to order on May 16, 1986 at 9:00 a.m.. The meeting was presided over by President Vernon Dalton.

Directors present were Wanda Borden, Larry Bradshaw, Ferris Brough, Ray Crawford, Vernon Dalton, Daryl Eriksen, Lois Nannini, Vernon Scott, Leslie Sharp, Claudia Wines, and Mary Wright.

Present from the staff were Dan Kessler, Paul Johnson, Warren Linnell, and Diane Griswold.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

The minutes of the regular meeting held April 25, 1986 will stand approved as written.

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA:

Dan Kessler asked that Board Committee Reports be added; those being the Scholarship Committee and the Building Committee. As there were no objections, they were added. Mr. John Neff canceled for this board meeting and asked he be added for the June meeting. As there were no objections, he was added to the June Agenda.

Wanda Borden requested that she attend a NRECA Board Control Seminar to be held in Toas, New Mexico. There were no objections that she attend.

BOARD REPORTS ON MEMBER CONTACTS:

Board members reported on the "personal contacts" made this month.

They were favorable.

A handout on member comments/complaints was passed out to board and staff members. Dan Kessler also reported on the questionnaire sent out to new members.

Dan Kessler passed out Residential Service pamphlets to the board. Also pamphlets regarding other classes of service will be prepared in the future.

NEW OFFICE BUILDING:

The new building is progressing very well. The carpet has been laid and most of the furniture will be in by May 19th. The landscaping will be commencing very soon.

MANAGER'S REPORT:

Legislative Conference:

A recap of the Legislative Rally was given by Vernon Scott and Lois Nannini. They both felt it was beneficial, interesting, and a learning experience. Dan Kessler stated that the Nevada Rural Electric Breakfast was very well received and the Pacific Northwest Reception was well attended for the first year.

Lease of the Old Building:

A letter from Bob Vaughan had been sent to all board members regarding the leasing of the old building to the City of Wells for a dentist. This issue was thoroughly discussed by the board. It was the consensus of the board to restrict the areas of the building to be leased, \$1.00 monthly rent to be charged, the power bill to be paid, by the dentist, and a 60 day written eviction notice to be in effect. Each of the ten items stated in Bob Vaughan's letter were decided upon. Dan Kessler is to present the decisions of the board to Bob Vaughan.

Dan Kessler brought to the Board's attention a billing problem in Wendover. After a thorough discussion, IT WAS ON MOTION BY MARY WRIGHT AND SECONDED BY VERNON SCOTT THAT THE PROMISSORY NOTE (DRAWN UP BY MR. BOB VAUGHAN) BE ENTERED INTO AND THAT THE PAST DUE AMOUNT BE COLLECTED PER THIS AGREEMENT. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

A letter was received from Bob Vaughan regarding a fee increase. IT WAS ON MOTION BY DARYL ERIKSEN; SECONDED BY RAY CRAWFORD TO ACCEPT THE FEE INCREASE. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Random Survey:

The Random Survey package was presented to the board. Dan Kessler explained the package to the board.

Employee Rehabilitation:

Employee substance abuse rehabilitation was discussed. Upon Bob Vaughan's advice, it was decided that our present policy was adequate and should be left as is.

Donation Requests:

Dan Kessler presented to the board two donation requests. CLAUDIA WINES MADE THE MOTION TO HAVE DAN KESSLER FOLLOW ESTABLISHED POLICY ON DONATING TO THE ELKO COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT TO SEND 11 CADETS TO A CONFERENCE IN LAW ENFORCEMENT. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY LOIS NANNINI, THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

DARYL ERIKSEN MADE THE MOTION TO DONATE \$125.00 TO THE GOLDEN OPEN GOLF TOURNAMENT SPONSORED BY THE MINING INDUSTRIES OF NEVADA; SECONDED BY MARY WRIGHT, MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

A break was called at 10:45 a.m..

Called back to order 11:00 a.m..

Intermountain Accountants Workshop:

The Intermountain Accountants Workshop is to be held in Jackpot, Nevada at Cactus Petes on June 26 and 27. Buddy Welsh did a very good job in organizing the workshop.

The City of Wells asked Dan Kessler if WREC would set a pole for a damaged sign and drill a few holes with one of WREC's augers to test drill for local water tables. WANDA BORDEN MADE THE MOTION TO HAVE WREC SET THE POLE FOR THE DAMAGED SIGN AND ASSIST THE CITY OF WELLS IN SOME AUGER TESTING; SECONDED BY CLAUDIA WINES, MOTION PASSED

UNANIMOUSLY.

Vernon Dalton suggested having a history written on WREC. WREC has contributed to North Eastern Nevada's history. Dan suggested having Rick Steber of Ruralite write the history of WREC, as he has interviewed many of the past directors of WREC. The board decided to have Dan pursue the costs etc. of having a history done on WREC.

Kate Embry:

Dan presented a letter to the editor of the Elko Daily Free Press written by Kate Embry stating her support of WREC.

BPA Letter in Response to the Sierra Pacific Outage:

BPA has written a letter to Sierra Pacific Power Company requesting standard operating procedures and documentation related to the seven power outages experienced in Carlin. BPA intends to review this information along with the WREC staff to ascertain the cause and possible remedies to eliminate this type of outage in the future.

Nominating Committee:

A nominating committee is needed for the upcoming board of director's election. The board suggested six people to be contacted to see if they would be interested in serving on the nominating committee. They are as follows:

1. Lorinda Wines
2. Mary Michna
3. Betty Thorne
4. Luanna Dean
5. Wilda Grock
6. Pat Griswold

There are to be four committee members with one alternate.

WPPSS UPDATE:

Dan reported on Bob Vaughan's meeting in Seattle concerning St. Paul Insurance Company.

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Claudia Wines reported on the Scholarship Committee's decision for the WREC 1986 Scholarship. The committee interviewed 11 seniors; seven from Wendover, three from Carlin, and one from Wells. Shawn Mock of Carlin was granted the scholarship for \$1,000.00 each year for two years with Shawna Carone as alternate. CLAUDIA WINES MOVED THAT THE COMMITTEE REPORT BE ADOPTED, SECONDED BY RAY CRAWFORD, MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

A report was given by the Building Committee on their trip to Salt Lake City to look for furniture for the board room. Dan Kessler handed out several sketches of tables for the board to review. A thorough discussion followed. Dan Kessler suggested that on the May 30th Special Meeting in Wells to allocate some time in the afternoon to discuss the type of furniture wanted.

MEMBER SERVICES REPORT:

Dan Kessler commended Paul Johnson, Member Services and the employees that helped with setting up the Annual Meeting on a job well done.

A list of new memberships was presented. VERNON SCOTT MADE THE MOTION TO ACCEPT 37 NEW MEMBERS: 1 IN WELLS, 10 IN CARLIN, 7 IN WENDOVER, NEVADA, AND 19 IN WENDOVER, UTAH. SECONDED BY LARRY BRADSHAW, MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 12:00 P.M..

D. VERNON DALTON, PRESIDENT

WANDA BORDEN, SECRETARY