

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

**SEPTEMBER 18, 1987**

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors of Wells Rural Electric Company was held in the Wells office and called to order September 18 , 1987, 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, Jerry Parkin, Leslie Sharp, and Mary Wright. Vernon Scott was not present.

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

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

The minutes of the Special Meeting held September 9, 1987, will stand approved as written.

**ELECTION COMMITTEE REPORT:**

The Election Committee Report was given by Vernon Dalton. \*See Exhibit I. Board of Directors elected were the incumbents Vernon Dalton, Ray Crawford, Mary Wright, and Lois Nannini. IT WAS ON MOTION BY LARRY BRADSHAW TO APPROVE THE ELECTION COMMITTEE REPORT. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY LESLIE SHARP; MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

**ELECTION OF BOARD OFFICERS:**

Ballots were passed out to each member of the board for election of officers for the 1987-1988 term. Board officers elected were as follows: Vernon Dalton President; Daryl Eriksen - Vice- President; Wanda Borden - Secretary/Treasurer.

**ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA:**

George Yan, Mayor; Dave Martin, Manager; and Linda Beller, Police Commissioner for the City of Wells requested they be added to the agenda.

Motorola requested to be added to the agenda in regard to the feasibility study of a data communication system.

Dr. Jim Cruson, Dentist, requested to be added to the agenda.

There were no objections to the above additions.

**CITY OF WELLS:**

George Yan, Dave Martin and Linda Beller addressed the Board in regard to the Police Department vacating the old WREC building. A lengthy discussion followed. The City will comply with the conditions set down by the Board and the Police Department will vacate within 30 days (October 10, 1987). After the Police Department has vacated the building, the City attorney will notify the Board.

**WENDOVER OFFICE BUILDING:**

Carter and Associates are working on appraisals; the information will be available later in the day. A request was made to move the discussion of the Wendover office building to later in the agenda. There were no objections. Carter and Carter Associates were contacted. A written report will be received in time to be sent out with the October Agenda.

A recess was called at 10:00 A.M. The meeting was called back to order at 10:15 A.M..

TONY GLAUSER, REA FIELD REPRESENTATIVE:

Tony Glauser handed out to the Board a Board Evaluation form to be filled out by each member and returned at the October Board Meeting. The evaluations will be mailed to Mr. Glauser. Mr. Glauser will then bring the results of the evaluation before the Board at a later meeting. A discussion followed.

CONFIDENTIALITY:

Vernon Dalton addressed Board members responsibility to maintain confidentiality of certain business matters.

MEMBER CONTACTS:

Member Contacts made this month were reported by Board and staff. Member Comments were handed out to the Board for their review. Also handed out was the Office Payment record. A discussion followed.

MANAGER'S REPORT:

The July Form 7 was presented to the Board for their review.

Gene Supp's retirement party has been postponed due to his wife Irene's health. The party will be scheduled as soon as she is feeling better.

Petty & Associates will address the Board in regard to the Geothermal Feasibility Study at the October Board Meeting. A presentation was scheduled for this Board Meeting, but Mark Stanton, who was to make the presentation, has quit Petty & Associates. Mr. Petty has sent his apologies.

Bob Laffel contacted Dan Kessler in regard to our request for information on non-firm power. A report was given by Dan. A letter from Bonneville will be sent to WREC in regard to what can be done to meet WREC's non-firm delivery needs. A discussion followed.

An update on the Pacific Corp./Bonneville Power Administration suit was given. A discussion followed.

Bob Bergland sent a Memorandum of Thanks to WREC for helping Union REC, Brighton, Colorado, ward off an aggressive buy out by Colorado Public Service Company. Union REC also sent to WREC a Board Resolution of Appreciation.

Dan noted that Dr. Andrew Werner's seminars on "The Challenge of Retirement" and "Career Development Within The Organization" went very well.

Ruralite pamphlets have been received and reviewed.

Dan reported on the meeting with the Nevada Rural Electric Association (NREA) statewide Board officers. NREA would like to host a Board Retreat for the Board of Directors of the three major

cooperatives in Nevada. It is to be located in Ely, Nevada, Friday, October 23. There were no objections to the WREC Board members attending the retreat. NREA has included in their budget monies for training, seminars, etc. for cooperatives that belong to the association.

The Safety Accreditation Observation Report received from Federated Insurance was reviewed by the Board.

A report was given by Dan regarding the meeting with the Shoshone Indian lawyers and Scott Hempling from Washington, D.C. in regard to Sierra Pacific building a generating plant at Thousand Springs.

The Golden Open Golf Tournament, sponsored by the Nevada Mining Industries, requested a \$150.00 donation. The tournament is scheduled for September 26. IT WAS ON MOTION BY WANDA BORDEN TO DONATE \$150.00 TO THE GOLDEN OPEN GOLF TOURNAMENT. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY LARRY BRADSHAW. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

WREC has made the final payment for the land (20.63 acres) purchased in Wells.

It was suggested that the October Board meeting be held in Wendover. IT WAS ON MOTION BY LOIS NANNINI TO HOLD THE OCTOBER 16 BOARD MEETING IN WENDOVER. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MARY WRIGHT; MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY. The Board Meeting will be held at the Stateline Casino at 9:00 A.M., MST.

A \$50.00 donation request was received from the Senior Citizens to sponsor the Senior Citizens Golf Tournament. IT WAS ON MOTION BY DARYL ERIKSEN TO DONATE \$50.00 TO THE SENIOR CITIZENS GOLF TOURNAMENT. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY LARRY BRADSHAW; MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

#### DATA COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM PRESENTATION - MOTOROLA:

Representatives from Motorola gave a presentation on their radio system for data communication throughout the WREC service area. A question and answer period

followed. Staff reported on the cost and feasibility of the communications system. A thorough and lengthy discussion ensued. During the discussion, a Comparison of Costs Table II was passed out to the Board for their review. Further discussion ensued. IT WAS ON MOTION BY DARYL ERIKSEN TO APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF THE RADIO DATA COMMUNICATION SYSTEM PRESENTED BY MOTOROLA. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY JERRY PARKIN. Further discussion followed. THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

The Board recessed for lunch at 12:30 P.M.

The meeting was called back to order at 1:30 P.M..

#### DR. JIM CRUSON, DENTIST:

Dr. Jim Cruson thanked the Board for use of the old WREC building as office space. Dr. Cruson asked for clarification of the lease with the City of Wells in regard to affecting his office. The Board stated that the Police Department was asked to vacate and would not be affecting his staying in the building. It was also stated that the building is on the market to sell.

#### WPPSS UPDATE:

Bob Vaughan, WREC attorney, will be attending a meeting in Seattle on September 25. Mr. Vaughan will attend the October Board Meeting with a report.

#### OFFICE SERVICES REPORT:

A letter was received from Federated Insurance in regard to the \$619.00 patronage dividend due WREC. Staff asked if the Board would like the money invested in Federated common stock or a check issued to WREC. IT WAS ON MOTION BY WANDA BORDEN TO HAVE FEDERATED ISSUE A CHECK TO WREC. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY DARYL ERIKSEN; MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

#### SAFETY MINUTES:

IT WAS ON MOTION BY RAY CRAWFORD TO APPROVE THE SAFETY MINUTES. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY LARRY BRADSHAW; MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

#### PCB REPORT:

Due to PCB regulations, Rule 10 will be revised to include the new regulations. It was the consensus of the Board to discuss the revisions of Rule 10 at the October Board Meeting.

#### ELKO COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING:

Two staff members will attend the Elko County Planning Commission meeting Wednesday, September 23.

#### HYDRO REPORT:

The exciter is being rewound again due to an error by Westinghouse. It was requested that Westinghouse be contacted and a date set for the completion of the exciter rewinding to expedite matters due to the length of time the Hydro has been down.

#### NEW MEMBERSHIPS:

IT WAS ON MOTION BY RAY CRAWFORD TO APPROVE 82 NEW MEMBERSHIPS: 13 IN WELLS, 26 IN CARLIN; 26 IN WENDOVER, UTAH; AND 17 IN WENDOVER, NEVADA. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY LARRY BRADSHAW; MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

The meeting adjourned at 2:00 P.M.

D. Vernon Dalton, President

Wanda Borden, Secretary