

HTML contains invalid UTF-8 character(s)**THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF
WELLS RURAL ELECTRIC COMPANY****MAY 21, 1993**

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors of Wells Rural Electric Company was held in Wells, Nevada in the board room of the Wells office and called to order May 21, 1993 at 9:00 a.m. The meeting was presided over by President D. Vernon Dalton.

Directors present were Gerald Anderson, Larry Bradshaw, Ferris Brough, D. Vernon Dalton, Daryl Eriksen, Robert Harris, Jerry Parkin, Vernon Scott, S.J. Smith, and Mary A. Wright. Lois Nannini was not present.

Staff members present were Daniel L. Kessler, Jr., General Manager; Clay R. Fitch, Manager, Finance/Administration; Warren Linnell, Manager, Engineering/Operations; and Paul Johnson, Manager of Member Services. Also present was Diane Griswold, Executive Secretary.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The minutes of the regular meeting of April 16, 1993 will stand approved as written.

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA:

There were no additions to the agenda.

WENDOVER LAND:

An update on the Wendover land situation was given by Dan. A letter from Robert Hill, attorney, was handed out, read and discussed. Dan also addressed financing option.

Dan Mathews, Wendover, Utah City Councilman, George Giebar, Ab Smith, Mayor of City of Wendover, Utah and Bryon Whitaker of the Utah Department of Environmental Quality came before the board to discuss the construction of the building in Wendover, Utah. Letters, from Utah~~[[#146]]~~s Senatorry Orrin Hatch and Congressman James V. Hansen voicing their support of efforts to find solutions to the problems of the Wendover land, were handed out to the board. Mr. Smith and Mr. Mathews voiced concerns of rumors heard that WREC planned to move the construction to Wendover, Nevada. They were assured that Wells Rural Electric Company remains committed to construct the facility in Wendover, Utah provided that the environmental problems can be resolved within a reasonable amount of time. Wells Rural~~[[#146]]~~s commitment is reflected in the fact of a sizable investment in Wendover, Utah property. Also emphasized was the responsibility of the board to the entire WREC membership and their best interests.

Mr. Whitaker of the Utah Department of Quality stated that a pre-hearing conference notice will be mailed within the next week. The hearing should determine who the responsible parties are and apportion liability among those responsible parties. He also stated that the State would not prohibit building on the property. Discussed were future ramifications of liability if complications ensued due to building on contaminated property. WREC is not responsible for the contamination and has no intention of our rate payers paying for the cleanup or for possible future complications due to building on contaminated property. WREC is seeking a clean bill before building.

News releases, summarizing Mr. Hill[[#146]]s letter, will be sent out.

Robin Boies/Audrey Spratling:

Robin Boies and Audrey Spratling came before the board asking for support of the Cultural Commission of Northern Nevada in bringing in a community concert series to Wells, to include the outlying rural school, and advertise in Wendover and surrounding valleys. They have applied for a grant from the Nevada State Council of Arts. Addressed were their fund raising efforts and plans. They asked for a donation of \$500.00. Following a discussion, IT WAS ON MOTION BY DARYL ERIKSEN, SECONDED BY JERRY PARKIN AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO APPROVE A DONATION OF \$500.00.

MEMBER CONTACTS:

Member contacts made and follow-ups were reported.

Further discussion ensued on the Wendover land situation.

MANAGERS REPORT:

Investments made, interest earned and CFC interest rates reported.

Reports were given by those attending the NRECA Legislative Conference (Vernon Dalton, Larry Bradshaw, S.J. Smith, Mary Wright, Dan Kessler and Warren Linnell).

A memo from Bob Bergland, General Manager, NRECA, was handed out for review and discussion. Addressed were changes in the REA Loan Program and an Update on the BTU Tax.

A discussion ensued regarding the proposed BPA wholesale rate increase. They are still proposing a plus 20 percent increase.

Delores Ivy, manager of Salmon River Electric Co-op in Challis, Idaho and Dan have been chosen for a one hour interview on what they think the future of Bonneville will be based on customer needs and what role they would like to see Bonneville play in the future as a Federal Marketing Agency. Dan asked the board for their comments on this issue.

Robert Harris and Dan wrote an article regarding TQM in the NWPPA magazine.

A list of people who have previously served on the Nominating Committee were handed out. Following a discussion, IT WAS ON MOTION BY LARRY BRADSHAW, SECONDED BY JERRY PARKIN AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO APPROVE THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE SERVING ON THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE: ETHEL SCOTT, CARLIN; MARIE JOHNSTON, WENDOVER; CARRIE FITCH, WELLS; CHERIE AIAZZI, CARLIN; WITH BETTY WRIGHT, CLOVER VALLEY AND PAT GRISWOLD, CARLIN SERVING AS ALTERNATES.

Dan reported on the General Transfer Agreement between BPA and SPPCo and the New Large Single Load issue.

Paul Bottari, realtor, contacted Dan regarding two lots on 5th street, adjacent to the old WREC building, that are for sale (\$13,000). These are the same two lots previously bid (\$8,000) by WREC with the offer being rejected. Following a thorough discussion, IT WAS ON MOTION BY ROBERT HARRIS, SECONDED BY FERRIS BROUGH AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO AUTHORIZE DAN TO

DEAL ON THE TWO LOTS WITH A \$13,000.00 CAP.

Several donation requests were received: The Wells High Junior Rodeo has requested support of their rodeo in the amount of \$280.00. This will be used to buy two silver belt buckles made by Mark Dahl. IT WAS ON MOTION BY FERRIS BROUGH, SECONDED BY JERRY PARKIN AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO APPROVE THE DONATION OF \$280.00.

The Carlin Fire Department needed to replace their rescue truck and asked if we had a boom truck they could bid on. We had sold two trucks. We now lease all boom and digger trucks.

Northern Nevada Community College is sponsoring a summer school in Wendover for grades K-6. They are asking WREC to sponsor one teacher for \$1,150.00. IT WAS ON MOTION BY S.J. SMITH, SECONDED BY MARY A. WRIGHT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO ACCEPT THE DONATION AS INFORMATION AND REQUEST MORE INFORMATION.

The Carlin Economic Development Committee and Steve Feasel, Carlin High teacher, are promoting the Carlin Pond for a nature and environmental study area. They are requesting our support for installation of a power supply and security lighting in he pond area project. IT WAS ON MOTION BY JERRY ANDERSON, SECONDED BY ROBERT HARRIS AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO RECEIVE THIS REQUEST AS INFORMATION AND REQUEST MORE INFORMATION.

The Northern Nevada Community College Foundation has requested further support for phase II of the construction of the auditorium and theater. Theater seats are being pre-sold to raise the additional funding. Dan reported. A discussion ensued. IT WAS ON MOTION BY S.J. SMITH, SECONDED BY MARY A. WRIGHT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO RECEIVE THE REQUEST AS INFORMATION.

The Christmas Party survey results were reported. A discussion ensued.

NEVADA COOPERATIVE CREDIT UNION:

A letter received from Glen Reese, President of the Nevada Credit Union League, was discussed. Approval of insurability has been received from American Share Insurance Company. They will insure the credit union upon state approval and authorization to file the charter with the Secretary of State. Indications are that the state is prepared to approve the charter for the credit union and is awaiting word on NCCU[**#146**]'s plan to maintain the three percent capital to asset ratio. The National Association has been contacted for assistance. Also being researched is "community re-development funds" that may be available form government funds. Following a thorough discussion, IT WAS ON MOTION BY DARYL ERIKSEN, SECONDED BY JERRY PARKIN AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO INVEST \$100,000.00 INTO THE NEVADA COOPERATIVE CREDIT UNION.

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Jerry Anderson reported on behalf of the Scholarship Committee. They met May 12, 1993 and interviewed eighteen students from Wendover, Wells, Jiggs and Carlin. The following students were selected as recipients of the WREC scholarship: Maurilio Gutierrez, Wendover; Michele Lopez, Wells; Angelina Aiazzi, Carlin; with Angie Birdwell of Wells as first alternate and Sandra Wright of Carlin as second alternate.

Jerry Anderson reported on behalf of the Financial Advisory Committee. A meeting has been set for Thursday, June 10, 1993 at 9:00 a.m.

Due to conflicts of schedules, IT WAS ON MOTION BY JERRY PARKIN, SECONDED BY JERRY ANDERSON AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO APPROVE CHANGING THE JUNE BOARD MEETING TO FRIDAY, JUNE 11, 1993.

Following a discussion, IT WAS ON MOTION BY ROBERT HARRIS, SECONDED BY LARRY BRADSHAW AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO APPROVE CHANGING THE JULY BOARD MEETING TO FRIDAY, JULY 23, 1993.

SAFETY MINUTES:

IT WAS ON MOTION BY VERNON SCOTT, SECONDED BY JERRY PARKIN AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO APPROVE THE SAFETY MINUTES.

ELECTRICIAN REPORT:

Al Webb took the electrical theory portion of the test May 8th. Results are expected in late May for the completion of the Utah Contractors license requirements.

HYDRO REPORT:

The hydro is running at full capacity. A tour of the hydro has been scheduled for June 10 after lunch.

NEW MEMBERSHIPS:

IT WAS ON MOTION BY VERNON SCOTT, SECONDED BY FERRIS BROUGH AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO APPROVE 31 NEW MEMBERSHIPS: 5-WELLS, NV; 11-CARLIN, NV; 8-WENDOVER, NV; AND 7-WENDOVER, UT.

As there was no further business to come before the board, the meeting adjourned at 2:20 p.m.

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