

**HTML contains invalid UTF-8 character(s)****MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF  
WELLS RURAL ELECTRIC COMPANY****AUGUST 15, 1997**

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 Friday, August 15, 1997 at 9:00 am. The meeting was presided over by President D. Vernon Dalton.

Directors present were: Gerald Anderson, D. Vernon Dalton, Daryl Eriksen, Robert Harris, Orlin Kidner, Lois Nannini, Paul Neff, Jerry Parkin, Vernon Scott, S. J. Smith, and Mary Wright.

Staff members present were Daniel L. Kessler, Jr., General Manager; Clay R. Fitch, Manager of Finance/Administration; and Jim Su[[#146]]euga, Manager of Customer Services. Also present was Amanda Bourne, Administrative Secretary.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

The minutes of the regular meeting of July 18, 1997 were approved as written.

**ADDITIONS TO AGENDA:**

There were no additions to the agenda.

**SAFETY FIRST VERSE**

"Be aware of where fire extinguishers are in the building."

**MANAGER[[#146]]S REPORT:**

A discussion was held regarding the feasibility of buying out WREC[[#146]]s RUS loan. RUS loans have been cut considerably and could possibly take up to four years to obtain. The buy-out would be rate neutral, no budget change (based on what has been approved) and it would discount WREC (depending on when we locked in) approximately \$1.5 - \$2.1 million. A portfolio was handed out to the board for their review with four different buy-out options. A discussion ensued. Dan will schedule a presentation on October 15<sup>th</sup> (October 16<sup>th</sup> as an alternate date) with representatives from RUS, CFC and CoBank to discuss loan options.

Dan reported that he and the staff met with Fred Schmidt of Consumer Advocate. The discussion was of AB366 which Fred helped write. AB366 states if WREC stays within the service boundaries other utilities cannot come in and serve our customers. Fred suggested that WREC gets in touch with Judy Sheldrew (chairperson of Public Utility Commission). WREC would like to meet with Judy Sheldrew to talk to her about Co-op needs throughout the state. IT WAS ON MOTION BY VERNON SCOTT, SECONDED BY ROBERT HARRIS AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY FOR DAN AND STAFF TO MEET WITH JUDY SHELDREW OF PUC.

It was under discussion to make a \$500.00 donation to the Cattlemen[[#146]]s Association to help sponsor their convention. IT WAS ON MOTION BY MARY WRIGHT, SECONDED BY DARYL ERIKSEN AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO APPROVE A \$500.00 DONATION TO THE

**CATTLEMEN[[#146]]S ASSOCIATION.**

The board chose voting delegates for the following:

- Region IX - Daryl Eriksen with Vernon Scott as alternate.
- CFC - Vernon Scott with Daryl Eriksen as alternate.
- NRTC - Robert Harris with Dan Kessler as alternate.

**SAFETY MINUTES:**

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

**NEW MEMBERSHIPS:**

IT WAS ON MOTION BY VERNON SCOTT, SECONDED BY GERALD ANDERSON AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO APPROVE 77 NEW MEMBERSHIPS: 9 - WELLS, NV; 28 - CARLIN, NV; 22 - WENDOVER, NV; AND 18 - WENDOVER, UT.

AFTER DISCUSSION, IT WAS ON MOTION BY DARYL ERIKSEN, SECONDED JERRY PARKIN AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO PURCHASE A 4-H BEEF AT THE ELKO COUNTY FAIR. THE BEEF WILL BE USED FOR THE DINNER AFTER THE ANNUAL MEETING.

The 1997 employee and board Christmas party was discussed to be held after the December board meeting. The board discussed changing the regularly scheduled board meeting to December 12<sup>th</sup> and holding the Christmas party in Wendover. IT WAS ON MOTION BY DARYL ERIKSEN, SECONDED BY JERRY PARKIN AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO RESCHEDULE THE REGULARLY SCHEDULED BOARD MEETING FROM DECEMBER 19<sup>TH</sup> TO DECEMBER 12<sup>TH</sup> WITH THE CHRISTMAS PARTY BEING HELD AFTER THE BOARD MEETING IN WENDOVER.

**MANAGER[[#146]]S REPORT:**

Don Angell gave a Power Supply Report on the following:

1. NGC Request for Additional Power
  - a. BPA/SPPCo meeting
  - b. WREC/ SPPCo meeting
  - c. Transmission/Power Supply Issues
  - d. Transfer Trip
2. BPA Subscription
  - a. BPA Proposal to Serve All of NGC Loads
  - b. BPA Service to Industrial Customers
  - c. Implications of WREC serving All of NGC Loads

- d. WREC Decision to Serve NGC
- e. BPA Proposal to Serve Small Customer Loads

### 3. Simplot Ammonia Plant

- a. Present Plant Status/Requirements
- b. Transmission Requirements
- c. Power Supply Options

A discussion ensued. Dan and the staff will continue to pursue Power Supply and will report to the board any additional information.

Participants from the Nevada and Utah Youth Energy Seminars spoke to the board about their experience at camp and thanked the board for making it possible.

Strategic planning is ongoing, Dan reported that the new Strategic Plan will be directed towards de-regulation and retail-wheeling. The board will set a date at the September board meeting to discuss the Strategic Plan.

Dan recapped on the Region IX Meeting and mentioned a schedule change for those returning on Thursday, September 17<sup>th</sup>. The flight will depart at 9:00am instead of 6:15am.

The NREA Annual Meeting which was sponsored by WREC was a great success. The ACRE auction raised approximately \$1,300.00 and Dan thanked those who donated items and those who purchased them. It was mentioned that all ACRE donations need to be made by the end of August.

#### OTHER BUSINESS:

As there was no further business to come before the board, the meeting adjourned at 3:30pm.

D. Vernon Dalton, President  
Lois Nannini, Secretary/Treasurer

### **MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF QUANTUM RESOURCES, INC.**

**AUGUST 15, 1997**

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors of Quantum Resources, Inc. was held in Wells, Nevada in the Board room of the Wells office and called to order Friday, August 15, 1997 at 3:31pm. The meeting was presided over by President D. Vernon Dalton.

Directors present were: Gerald Anderson, D. Vernon Dalton, Daryl Eriksen, Robert Harris, Orlin Kidner, Lois Nannini, Paul Neff, Jerry Parkin, Vernon Scott, S. J. Smith, and Mary Wright. Robert Harris was not present.

Staff members present were Daniel L. Kessler, Jr., General Manager; Clay R. Fitch, Manager of Finance/Administration; and Jim Su[[#146]]euga, Manager of Customer Services. Also present was Amanda Bourne, Administrative Secretary.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The minutes of the regular meeting of July 18, 1997 were approved as written.

ADDITIONS TO AGENDA:

There were no additions to the agenda.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

A financial report for June and an up-to-date report for July was handed out to the board. Dan reported.

Vernon complimented Dan, staff and employees on doing a good job.

OTHER BUSINESS:

A meeting is scheduled next week with the 401 Union, but as far as Quantum is concerned the 401 Union would not be beneficial.

As no further business came before the board, the meeting was adjourned at 3:40pm.

D. Vernon Dalton, President Lois Nannini, Secretary/Treasurer

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