

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

OF

WELLS RURAL ELECTRIC COMPANY

16 DECEMBER 1966

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the WELLS RURAL ELECTRIC COMPANY was held at the Wagon Wheel in Wells, Nevada on 16 December 1966 at 1:00 P.M.

The meeting was called to order by Robert Wright, President, who presided; and Clarence Swett acted as secretary of the meeting.

Upon calling the meeting to order the secretary reported the following Directors present: ROBERT R. WRIGHT, JAMES L. BALLARD, CLARENCE SWETT, EYER BOIES, VERNON DALTON, ARTHUR GROCK, THOMAS ACHURRA, MATT SMITH, RAY CRAWFORD, AND ROGER SMITH. ABSENT was C. C. Read.

Also present was Manager Blackett and Fred Toombs, Power Use Advisor. Attorney Bob Vaughan was present for the latter part of the meeting.

The NOVEMBER minutes were approved with the correction of a name change on the last page, paragraph 4, line 4: "Mr. Boies" name was changed to "Mr. Grock."

The Financial Statement was discussed. Mr. Blackett pointed out that a late payment from Bonneville was the cause of the drop in "total receipts for November," "1966 column."

Mr. Blackett reported on the service for the Lee Indians. The crew was to finish hanging the transformers today. The Indians are slowed down and will not be ready for service for some time. They are having an Indian war in Las Vegas and some of them are down there. It was decided that by the first of February the Indians will be billed whether or not they are using service; we will notify each member along with the Council.

Mr. Dalton was asked to report on the building. Mr. Griffith will get the roof on and enclosed as soon as possible. Mr. Blackett reported that the glass man was supposed to be there. The architect is sending more information out, such as carpeting and plans for isolating the board room.

Mr. Toombs reported on Power Use. The T.V. arrived for the P.T.A. in Wendover and will be raffled off Christmas Eve. The Board was thanked and it was the largest gift given.

Mr. Toombs explained a few of the details in picking up the Bonanza Salt Plant and the Utah Salt Company. They would like a form of contract to present to their Board. Mr. Blackett will send copies of the contract to Mr. Hoyer of Bonanza Salt.

Western Marble Company has now installed a 48" jaw type crusher. It looks as though they are going into business. Mr. Roger Smith suggested that Fred talk to the State Engineer about what the state will do for water rights for the Marble Company. Mr. McKelvie said he would look into getting a bond so that we would be guaranteed in getting our money back.

Discussion followed on getting a man to install electrical appliances for the consumers in Wendover. Three men were mentioned who would be most likely to do this work: (1) Bud Supp's man from Idaho, (2) Wilfred Oxley, (3) a man out of Elko. President Wright also mentioned Dinty Moore. Mr. Toombs checked with Mose on the actual demand from people who wish to have appliances installed. Mose said there would be plenty of work to do. It was brought out that a man who would do the work would have to have a Utah License. The business end of it would be between the person doing the work and the customer. we would schedule the work only. Mr. Roger Smith suggested that Fred report on this next month.

It was announced that a Christmas lighting contest will be held on the 20th with \$100.00 for prize money. The Wendover consumers did not seem interested in a contest for their area.

Fred also mentioned that there is to be an electrical wiring school held in Wells with the cooperation of the high school. Fred is to help in some of the class work.

The Ruby Valley Friendship Club has asked if we could install a security light and include the cost of the light in the \$5.00 minimum charge. The Board felt this would help the sale of future night lights. Manager Blackett will come back next month with a recommendation on this matter. It was suggested that perhaps the club could be put under the same schedule as the churches are. To promote sales President Wright suggested that a mobile trailer be made for a night light so that the consumers could try it in their yard for awhile.

MOTION made by Clarence Swett and seconded by Roger Smith that the Community Halls be put on the church rate. Motion passed.

Manager Blackett and Fred Toombs attended the City Council meeting last Tuesday where they discussed installing night lights on the front of buildings. The Council decided that any time a light installed would affect city property they would have to give it their approval, such as: street buildings.

Fred was asked to see if a security light could be sold to the Medical Center.

Committees then came up for discussion. Men serving on committees should be reappointed after each election. The following men were appointed to serve on the Manager Appraisal Committee: Matt Smith, Vernon Dalton, Robert Wright, Jim Ballard, and Ray Crawford. Those appointed to serve on the Wage & Salary Employee-Relations Committee were: Clarence Swett, Tom Achurra, Arthur Grock, and Roger Smith. President Wright urged the Board to serve on these committees if they would like.

Charts of the Financial Condition were passed out and explained by Manager Blackett.

Concerning the line at the Gilmer Air Strip, Mr. Philips agreed to the Change, and it has been made.

Mr. Blackett reported that according to President Johnson's economy plan, everyone should put off spending money as much as possible. Reimbursement on loan funds will be hard to get. We still might be able to obtain reimbursement for the new building but it may be a year or two. Mr. Blackett wrote to R.E.A. and explained to them the urgent need for a new building. Mr. Ed Kipp and Hal Leary also wrote to them explaining the need for this new office.

A new Ford 4-door sedan has been purchased for Power Use and for the Use of the Board. Mr. Blackett pointed out the need for a 2-way radio for the new car to be put on the 1967 Budget.

The 1967 Budget was then discussed. A correction was made in the "YEAR TOTAL" column, third figure "106,600.00" should be "166,600.00".

MOTION made by Jim Ballard and seconded by Ray Crawford that the 1967 Budget be approved as the Manager has outlined it. Motion passed.

Attorney Vaughan then presented the Bonanza Salt Contract to the Board Members. Mr. Blackett will send the contract to them.

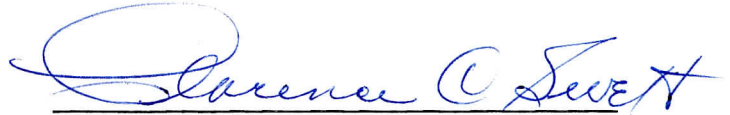
MOTION made by Eyer Boies and seconded by Vernon Dalton that we concede the demand charge clause and ask them to eliminate the proposed automatic rate reduction. Motion passed.
in answer Contract

The proposal for renting a corner of the new building where the sales and service would have been was discussed. It was decided that no action would be taken until we are moved in.

The situation concerning the 6-mile ranch has been explained to Mr. Jeffs. The right of way has not been received.

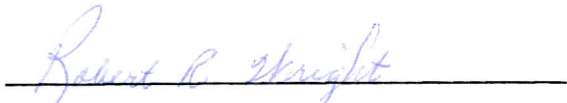
9 MOTION made by Vernon Dalton and seconded by Ray Crawford that the new memberships be approved. Six from Wells and 3 from Wendover. Motion passed.

The secretary was then excused from the meeting while the Board discussed Employee Relations and Wage-Salary.



Clarence C. Swett, Secretary

APPROVED BY:



Robert R. Wright, President

WELLS RURAL ELECTRIC COMPANY

WELLS, NEVADA 89835

MEMBERSHIPS TO BE APPROVED 16 DECEMBER 1966

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WENDOVER

L. A. BELLOMY

MRS. JOE SANTOS

JOHN L. SULLIVAN

<i>Wells active</i>	<i>443</i>	
<i>Inactive</i>		<i>371</i>
<i>Wendover active</i>	<i>209</i>	
<i>Inactive</i>	<i>193</i>	
	<i>652</i>	<i>564</i>