

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF
WELLS RURAL ELECTRIC COMPANY
MARCH 16, 1973

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of Wells Rural Electric Company was held in the Company Office in Wells, Nevada on March 16, 1973 at 1:15 P.M.

The meeting was called to order by James L. Ballard, President, who presided and Clarence C. Swett, Secretary, acted as secretary of the meeting.

Upon calling the roll the Secretary reported the following directors present: James L. Ballard, Arthur Grock, William Gibbs, John Krenka, Jess Urresti, Vernon Dalton, Clarence C. Swett, and Ray Crawford.

Absent were: Thomas Achurra, Robert R. Wright, and Joe Quilici.

Also present were: Manager Blackett, F.T. Murphy, and Fred Toombs.

The minutes of the February meeting were approved as written.

Jess Urresti asked that podium for school be added to the agenda and the safety seminar attended in Dallas, Texas.

These were approved.

Construction: F.T. Murphy reported that the 13 pole tap to Area West in the Jiggs Lee Area was completed. Services run in Utah and Nevada. Contractor working on 25 poles across sloughs on Evans Tap. To ride line for Conversion of Jiggs-Lee line. Contract for Tobar-Westwood and Evans lines signed by Contractor and Hal Leary of REA. Transformers at State Line hooked up.

F.T. Murphy announced that this would be his last meeting with the Board as he was retiring the end of the month. He wished to thank the members of the Board for their help and consideration.

Manager Blackett reported he had just received a phone call that Idaho Power Company would send a crew down Sunday to move the new substation transformers into position.

Wells Wendover transmission line was shut down March 12 for 40 minutes to repair a shot wire.

Power Use: Phelps Dodge not putting out any information but are going to do more drilling.

The State Line was energized March 9 for test purposes. Plan on having Casino and everything done by the middle of June.

The new motel to be built in Wells at the Fourway will be all electric.

The Company party will be held on March 31, at 7:00 P.M. at the El Rancho.

The Ranch House is adding on and we will have to increase transformer Capacity to 225KVA.

Contractor at Wendover is working on the roof of the office.

Sale of Diesel Engine: A letter received from O'Brien Machinery Company asking if engine is still available.

Settlement with Idaho Power Company: Nothing new.

City Street Lights: Nothing new. Have not received agreement from attorney.

We are replacing lamps for the city.

Insurance for members: No news. Drop from the agenda.

Annual Banquet: To be March 31, at 7:00 P.M. at the El Rancho.

Scholarship Committee: Met after last Board Meeting with Mr. Noble and reviewed application for scholarship. Applications were reviewed with Mr. Harshfield and have been printed up with some revisions.

Podium for School: Jess and George to meet with Mr. Thorne on this.

Safety Seminar: Jess Urresti reported seminars very good and he was very impressed by Safety Seminar. Should be accredited by NRECA safety program. Not so apt to be bothered by OSHA.

Should look into insurance program and have at least one million dollar PL & PD. Board members liable if award over insurance Coverage in a case.

Best way to eliminate chance of this is to be sure to comply with OSHA rules.

Pole yard should be fenced. Pole trailer should have brakes.

Safety Program to be added to the agenda.

Fred is to list items that do not meet OSHA safety standards and we will start making changes necessary to correct them.

Vernon Dalton moved that we buy a pole trailer equipped with brakes and lights. Jess Urresti seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Manager Blackett will contact our insurance agent on obtaining one million dollar PL & PD coverage and report at the next meeting.

Managers Report: Insurance Agent has been contacted on one million dollar umbrella coverage. Letter from insurance agent read. Stated it will cost about \$500.00. Agent will be contacted again.

Public Service Commission order of separate metering for signs- smaller companies waiting to see what Nevada Power and Sierra Pacific will do. Sign Companies are also getting into this. We are waiting. to see what develops.

Jiggs-Lee power supply: Letter requesting change is in Las Vegas for consideration. They are approaching contract demand.

We are approaching our contract demand. Barger is supposed to have sold his holdings in Starr Valley and there is to be a housing and ski area development.

Wage salary information has not all come in. As soon as it comes in committee will have to meet.

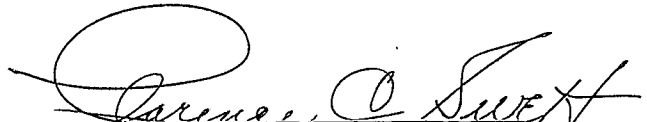
Adrian Rattazzi has applied for Murphs position. He is a highway engineer. We have accepted his application.

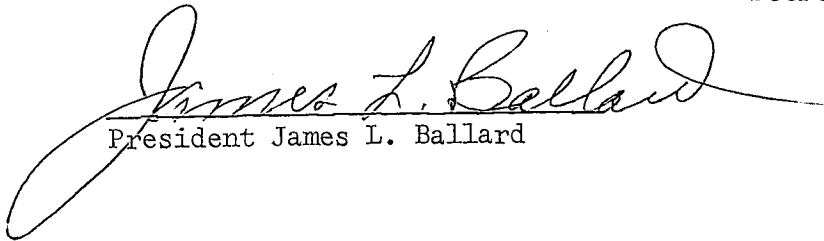
James Ballard read a letter from Allan Bible on REA loan funds. He thinks that low interest loan funds should be available for starting Co-ops.

Other institute was how well do Board Members listen. Jim gave test that was given.

22 Vernon Dalton moved that the ten new memberships from Wells and the twelve from Wendover be approved. Arthur Grock seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Meeting Adjourned at 3:15 P.M.


Secretary, Clarence C. Swett


President James L. Ballard

MEMBERSHIPS TO BE APPROVED

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WELLS

1. Bill Gettle
2. Silver Littlejhon
3. Gayland Lowry
4. Danny Morrow
5. Rosie Morrow
6. Charles C. Nicholas
7. Earl B. Nielsen
8. Lawrence Rose
9. Sebrite Corporation
10. Cal Wright

WENDOVER

1. Wallace Byars
2. Doug Dickie
3. Philip R. Jacka
4. H. Chariton Jacobs
5. Errol Montoya
6. L. E. Payne
7. Donald R. Powers
8. John Rainey
9. Steve R. Rohay
10. Francis Shore
11. Jim Thomas
12. Robert Dale Williams