

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF
WELLS RURAL ELECTRIC COMPANY
MARCH 17, 1972

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of Wells Rural Electric Company was held in the company office in Wells, Nevada on March 17, 1972 at 1:00 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, Thomas Achurra, Ray Crawford, Lourinda Wines, Robert Wright, Jess Urresti, Joe Quilici, Vernon Dalton, William Gibbs, and Clarence Swett.

Absent None.

Also present were Manager Blackett, F.T. Murphy, Fred Toombs and a delegation from the High School Students for Community Action, Duane Priest, Tyler Shepherd, and John Nichols. Fred Blanchard and Ted McPhee to present the audit report.

The Minutes of the February meeting were approved as written.

The Students for Community Action want to make a small park next to the Presbyterian Church and would like WREC to donate two yard lights and the power for them to light the area.

Jess Urresti moved that the lights be donated and installed. Ray Crawford seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Fred Blanchard and Ted McPhee presented the audit report. They reported the Company in good shape and the account books well kept.

Robert Wright moved that the audit report be approved. Jess Urresti seconded the motion. Motion passed.

The Scholarship Program was added to the Agenda.

Construction: Work of moving lines for highway on Pequop completed. Line moves for highway at Silver zone completed. Line to S.P. Stockyards retired. Underground line across school grounds installed. New services in Nevada and Utah. Replaced crossarms on four poles on salt flats due to flashovers burning arms and pole tops.

Power Use: Fred has been working with the camera taking pictures of work.

Working on Newsletter: Most of them have been thrown away at Post Office in past. Working with Ross Clay on it.

Working on district meetings. Will meet with Ross Clay next Tuesday.

State Line was supposed to start work on building March 15. Not much done so far as steel beams brought in were too short.

Bell Brand Ranches in O'Neil to build new house. About 6000 square feet and plan it to be all electric.

Fish Hatchery: Contractor has not completed work and has applied for 60 day extension. Mrs. Wines reported he has been granted the extension.

Calta Mines is working to merge with bigger company to help develop the property.

Sunshine Mining Company called about availability of power northeast of Knoll Creek. Said if it worked out they would need 1000-4000 KW.

Have first all electric trailer on system and will see how it works out.

Several new all electric homes in south end of town.

Scholarship Program: Mr. Orser wrote a letter asking if it was to be continued. Vernon Dalton volunteered to work on scholarship program.

Doug Mitchell Line Extension: John MacDonald was in and said our cost was too high. They proposed to run a cable from Cass House Peak to a suitable location and install a power plant. Would possibly connect up to our line in the future. They are to take a look at Green Mountain before making a definite decision.

New Power Source: Have not had a report from BPA. Kaiser was contacted to see if they would want more power at Wendover so it could be included in the wheeling agreement. No word yet from Kaiser. A letter was received from Idaho Power giving a statement of the cost of special facilities to service Wells and Elko. This is now up to \$1,827,003.43. A cost of termination was worked up on this basis gives a figure of \$44,526.00 that they would owe us. This is not definite as we do not know how salvage value would be figured.

A letter was written to Idaho Power in reply to their letter questioning the termination notice. This was done by Bob Vaughan and approved by BPA and stated that it would be in agreement with the contract. This would be contingent upon the wheeling agreement being finalized.

Landscaping: Kimberly Nurseries to be contacted now that weather will permit work to be done.

9 Vernon Dalton moved that the two memberships from Wells and the seven from Wendover be approved. Ray Crawford seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Arthur Grock reported on Directors Institute he attended in Las Vegas. Nominating Committee should be appointed by members and would be in operation for the entire year. Members put on Annual Meeting.

Possibility of having members putting on annual meeting discussed.

A Board Appraisal and Manager Appraisal was discussed.

Vernon Dalton moved that we have a Board Member and Employee attitude appraisal. Seconded by James L. Ballard.

After discussion Vernon Dalton withdrew his motion pending further information on costs etc.


Dinner Committee Report: The Annual Dinner is to be Friday April 7 at 7:00 P.M. at the Ranch House.

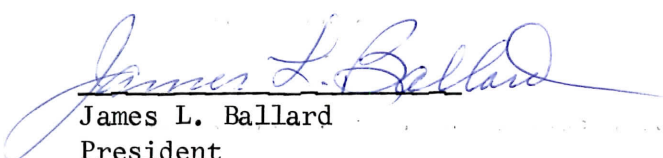
The new T.V. Station being put in on Grindstone Mountain was discussed as to its being received in this area.

Joe Quilici said City would contact Station about this area.

There is a Ruralite Safety Meeting here on April 21. It will deal with Public Relations.

Meeting adjourned at 3:25 P.M.


Clarence C. Swett
Secretary


James L. Ballard
President

MEMBERSHIPS TO BE APPROVED

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WELLS

1. Dale N. Ponder
2. Raymond J. Robert

WENDOVER

1. Jessie Driskell
2. Kenneth Hales
3. E. R. Kraus
4. Roger Luthi
5. Ray Page
6. C. W. Sander
7. John D. Skoglie