

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF
WELLS RURAL ELECTRIC COMPANY

20 MAY 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 20 May 1966 at 1:10 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 WRIGHT, ARTHUR GROCK, MATT SMITH, C. C. READ, CLARENCE SWETT, THOMAS ACHURRA, JIM BALLARD, VERNON DALTON, RAY CRAWFORD. EYER BOIES AND BLAINE SHARP WERE NOT PRESENT.

Also present was Mr. George Blackett, Manager.

Mr. Wright welcomed Ray Crawford to the Board.

Mr. Wright asked if there were any corrections or omissions to the minutes of the last board meeting. There were none, minutes stand approved.

Mr. Blackett announced that the Financial Report would be mailed out the first of next week.

1. On FEDERAL POWER COMMISSION THE Idaho Power received extension on filing report to 31 May 1966.
2. On LINE CONSTRUCTION, nothing new than what is noted on the permanent sheets.
3. On BONNEVILLE, LTD., Mr. Blackett stated that the power use is not going up much; but possibly they would be back to normal power use by July 1966.

Mr. Blackett announced that the line to the F.A.A. V.O.R. was finished 18 April 1966. We are not serving Bell as yet.

4. Nothing new on LEE INDIANS since the telephone call from Lillian Garcia saying that they decided that they would accept Wells Rural Electric Company's proposal for providing power to them. They were to have a council meeting and would send the results of that meeting to Wells Rural Electric Company.

Mr. Wright suggested that we wait and see what takes place.

5. On the PROPOSED NEW BUILDING it was mentioned that a check has been given to Leo Quilici for the land. Nothing new on the plans since Mr. Blackett made a trip to Salt Lake City 6 May 1966 and discussed the plans with Mr. Clawson. Some discussion followed.

6. LONG RANGE ENGINEERING PLAN, nothing new. Mr. Blackett could not contact Mr. Leary. He will try again to contact him tomorrow at his home, since he does not have an office anyway.

7. Mr. C. C. Read, Vernon Dalton, Eyer Boies, Bob Wright and George Blackett made a trip to Crescent Valley a week ago today. Mr. Blackett stated that the maps of the Crescent Valley area came in yesterday; plus the drawings of a 120 room motel. There was not time to go over the maps and locate the people, as yet.

Carlin City came up for discussion along with Crescent Valley. Carlin is very proud of their electric operation, and still feel that they can generate power at a lower cost than buying it elsewhere. Mr. C.C. Read is not in favor of the Crescent Valley electric extension--same with Mr. Vernon Dalton. Others on the board feel the same way and do not see how we can justify the electric extension.

Nothing new on IBAPAH. The Bureau of Reclamation has been contacted about power near Dugway; no answer of now. Mr. Kipp has been contacted about the area. Discussion followed.

MOTION: Mr. Matt Smith made the motion that Mr. Blackett write a letter to the Crescent Valley people telling them of our problems in supplying power to that area. Seconded by Jim Ballard - Motion carried.

8. POWER USE. Fred Toombs will be tabulating the results of the survey that he made on power use. He used every 10th person. After this survey is tabulated he may know the approach to be made toward power use. This is just a preliminary, would give us something to start on.

Discussion followed. In nature of a suggestion would Mr. Vernon Dalton fly Fred Toombs to Bison, N. Dakota. Mr. Vernon Dalton agreed to same.

MOTION: Mr. Matt Smith made the motion that Fred Toombs be sent to Bison, N. Dakota. Seconded by Clarence Swett. Motion carried.

Mr. Fred Toombs will go as soon as he can and the Manager at Bison shall be contacted that Fred is coming. Mr. Wright stated that he would like to have Mr. Toombs at the next board meeting with a Power Use Report.

9. NOTHING ON Retail Sales Program.
10. RATE STUDY: Mr. Blackett stated that we will send everything to Mr. Kampmeier, anyway.
11. Some discussion on POWER SOURCE.
12. Discussion on PENALTIES ON PAST DUE ACCOUNTS. Mr. C. C. Read would like to have them removed. Mr. Blackett stated that in most cases the penalties do not help. There are some customers that pay their power bills plus the penalties like it was the regular billing.

MOTION: Mr. Vernon Dalton made the motion that the penalties be curtailed. Seconded by C. C. Read. Motion carried.

Mr. Blackett is to contact the R.E.A. telling them of the board decision to curtail the penalties on past due accounts.

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Discussion on Cut-offs. 20 days after billing a reminder shall be sent, and on the 25th day cut-off notice shall be sent. Also, suggested that when cut-off has been sent that there should be follow-through. Mr. Blackett will come up with another revision on cut-off next meeting.

Mr. Blackett stated that he was in receipt of a letter from Mr. Clyde Aultz and that Mr. Aultz had only received seven board member appraisal sheets. Most of the board members had sent their appraisal sheets to Mr. Aultz. Mr. Aultz is to be advised to go ahead with the sheets that he has received for the appraisal.

13. AREA COVERAGE POLICY, Nothing on it. Discussion followed on possibly working up the coverage plan, with map of our lines. It was stated that our area is the certificated area except in Utah.

Joe Bassick and his operation came up for discussion. He will possibly be 9 miles south of town. Under area coverage policy it has to be determined how far will power use increase and will we get our money back; also whether a permanent item.

MOTION: Mr. C. C. Read made the motion that the by-laws be changed to read 1% instead of 1 1/2% of cost of line per month. Seconded by Tom Achurra. Carried.

14. BONNEVILLE, LTD., Fred Toombs called Mr. Blackett last night. He cannot find out anything. Oakland will not commit themselves to plans. Fred talked to Jess and he did not know anything.

15. Joint Pole Agreement. Discussion on same. Mountain States came up with the form and Mr. Blackett has read same and also Mr. Bob Vaughan has approved it.

MOTION: Mr. Clarence Swett made the motion that we adopt the Joint Pole Agreement. Vernon Dalton seconded it. Carried.

MOTION: Mr. Jim Ballard made the motion that the 20 memberships be approved. Seconded by Mr. Clarence Swett. Motion carried.

Audit and Auditor came up for discussion.

Manager's report:

POWER REQUIREMENTS STUDY from R.E.A. from April 1966 to April 1976. Mr. Joseph L. Dirnberger made the survey in March 1966. It was suggested that copies of the Power Requirement Study be made for all the directors and also include part of the previous power requirement study. Power Requirements Study tabled.

No information on bookkeeper. Mr. Blackett stated that he had contacted North Western Power Ass'n, Employment offices, colleges, etc. He thought that he had one just lately, but the person did not show up. He was advised to place advertisement in papers, etc.

BY-LAWS came up for discussion.

MOTION: Mr. Eyer Boies made the motion to accept the by-law changes as presented to the board. Seconded by Tom Achurra. Carried.

Gifts for Oliver Sharp and for Roger Smith came up for discussion.

MOTION: Mr. C. C. Read made the motion that a suitable pen set be purchased for Oliver Sharp and one for Roger Smith. Vernon Dalton seconded the motion. Carried.

Mr. Ray Crawford was asked if he would be Wells Rural Electric Company's representative at the Utah Rural Association. He agreed.

Salary business up for discussion. Mr. Calton's wages present a problem. It was asked if Mr. Calton could take over the bookkeeper position. The answer, yes, if he had 6 month's training in the R.E.A. correspondence course.

Mr. George Blackett suggested that all wages be reviewed this fall, by the point system.

Suggested that the committee come back with a recommendation on bookkeeper at the next meeting.

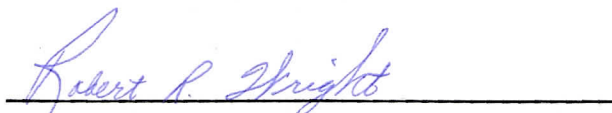
Manager appraisal committee should meet next month.

Meeting adjourned. 3:45 P.M.



Clarence C. Swett, Secretary

APPROVED:



Robert R. Wright, President

WELLS RURAL ELECTRIC COMPANY

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MEMBERSHIP TO BE APPROVED 20 MAY 1966

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Richard E. Davis
E. O. Gerlach
Roy K. Heimer
Gary J. Heiselt
Larry Imbeau or Suzanne A. Imbeau
Rodney Koepnick
Johnny L. Loveless
James F. Marshall
Mrs. Herbert Meyer
Jim Parks
Harold R. Probert
Delbert Ratliff
Bert A. Uhlig 14

WENDOVER

Michael Paul Adams
Dayle A. Dayton
Mrs. Harold Haney
John C. Harrington
Herman Scarborough
Joseph Sheridan 6

Total mem.	1069
Wells Active	438
Wendover	189
Wells Inactive	289
Wendover	153