

Y-W ELECTRIC ASSOCIATION, INC.
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
March 21, 2023

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of Y-W Electric Association, Inc. was held at the headquarters of the Association, located at 26862 US Highway 34 in Akron, Colorado, at 1:00 p.m. on March 21, 2023.

ROLL CALL

President Joneal Young called the meeting to order. Directors present in person were:

Brooke Price	Joneal Young
Freeman Morris	Aaron Gebauer
Roger Schenk	Stuart Travis
Larry Winger	Robert Bledsoe

Manager Trent Loutensock was also present. Attorney Levi Williamson attended via teleconference. Attorney Williamson recorded the minutes of the meeting.

AGENDA APPROVED

The agenda was approved as presented.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Member Keith Damrow entered the meeting.

Damrow requested Y-WEA's support for the 10th Annual Akron Car Show. It was properly moved, seconded, and carried to donate \$300.00 to the Akron Car Show.

Damrow exited the meeting.

Andy Molt entered the meeting.

Molt requested that Y-WEA donate an electric grill for the auction benefitting the Grassroots Community Center in Joes.

It was properly moved, seconded, and carried to donate a free standing electric grill to the auction.

CONSENT AGENDA

It was properly moved, seconded, and carried to pull Policy 3-12 from the Consent Agenda and to direct staff to revise the policy to include charitable purposes as a

valid expenditure for unclaimed capital credits and present to the Board in April for approval.

The Consent Agenda contained the following items:

- a. Minutes of the February 21, 2023, Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors.
- b. List of persons to be accepted into membership in Y-W Electric Association, Inc.
- c. Policy 3-10 Energy Conservation
- d. Policy 3-15 Economic Development
- e. Capital credit refunds for estates of deceased members

It was properly moved, seconded, and carried to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

FEBRUARY BILLS

General Manager Loutensock and the Board reviewed the list of bills paid by the Association in the month of February 2023.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Brandee Bullard and General Manager Loutensock presented the financials. They presented the January 2023 Statement of Operations, Loan Rate Comparison as of March 8, 2023, January Form 7, January Operating Forecast, Two-Year Expense Report, Five-Year Equity Report, and Consumer Sales and Revenue Report. Bullard presented the February Capitalized Costs Report and the January General Ledger.

Loutensock presented the March 13, 2023, Tri-State bill, and graphs of demand, energy, and cost per kWh through February.

Bullard and Loutensock presented three options for the deferral of 2022 revenue and amendment of Y-W's deferred revenue plan. The three options are \$500,000; \$1,000,000; and \$1,500,000. They presented a resolution for each option. It was properly moved, seconded, and carried to approve the second resolution, deferring \$1,000,000 of 2022 revenue.

CAMU RATE SURVEY

Trent Loutensock presented the January 2023 CAMU survey of electric rates.

LINE EXTENSION POLICY

Tony McCaffrey and Stephanie Clarkson entered the meeting.

It was properly moved, seconded, and carried to go into executive session to discuss confidential member information, with the following persons present: all Directors present at the meeting, Manager Loutensock, Tony McCaffrey, Stephanie Clarkson, and Attorney Williamson. It was properly moved, seconded, and carried to exit executive session.

McCaffrey and Clarkson left the meeting.

President Young recessed the meeting at 2:57 p.m. and reconvened at 3:12 p.m.

MANAGER REPORT

Manager Loutensock presented his written report. He presented the delinquent accounts and “thank you” notes. Loutensock presented the letter from Y-W and 21 other electric co-ops that he signed on behalf of Y-W regarding United Power and Kit Carson Electric Cooperative’s efforts to claim WAPA allocations that Tri-State receives through Tri-State’s contracts with its members. Loutensock reported on Yuma Ethanol’s project with Carbon America to de-carbonize Yuma Ethanol’s plant via a carbon-capture facility. Loutensock reported on the status of the Otis and Eckley franchise agreements.

It was properly moved, seconded, and carried to go into executive session to discuss confidential member information and active litigation, with the following persons present: all Directors present at the meeting, Manager Loutensock, and Attorney Williamson. It was properly moved, seconded, and carried to exit executive session.

Loutensock reported on the status of a potential new large load. He presented the notice of 2023 patronage from CoBank, Anton, and Federated.

GENERATOR REPORTS

Manager Loutensock presented the Wray Wind Generation Report, EV Charging Station Financial Summary, and Net Metering Analysis through February 2023.

WRAY WAREHOUSE CONSTRUCTION

Andy Hayes and Rod Dunker entered the meeting. They reported on the condition of the Wray warehouse. They recommend repairing and remodeling the warehouse. They presented bids for the proposed construction project.

It was properly moved, seconded, and carried to table consideration of the bids to allow staff to explore other options.

PCB STORAGE FACILITY

Trent Loutensock, Andy Hayes and Rod Dunker reported on purchases made to address issues with Y-W’s former PCB storage facility.

It was properly moved, seconded, and carried to ratify the purchases made by staff as presented.

Hayes and Dunker left the meeting.

GRANT OPPORTUNITIES

Andy Molt reported on available grant funding for electric infrastructure projects. Y-W joined an NRECA consortium to pursue grants. Molt recommends contracting with Verve Wired to help Y-W with the grant applications.

It was properly moved, seconded, and carried to authorize Trent to negotiate and execute a contract with Verve Wired, contingent on approval by Attorney Williamson.

2023 ANNUAL MEETING

Andy Molt presented a bid from Spectrum AV for audio visual services for the 2023 Y-W annual meeting. It was properly moved, seconded, and carried to accept the bid as presented.

Molt presented bids from Mustache Enterprises and All of it Catering for catering the meal for the 2023 Y-W annual meeting. It was properly moved, seconded, and carried to accept the bid from Mustache Enterprises for pulled pork and shredded beef sandwiches.

DONATION REQUESTS

Trent Loutensock presented donation requests from several entities. The Board discussed the requests and declined to donate.

CREA

Stuart Travis reported on his attendance at the regular meeting of the CREA Board of Directors and the CREA annual meeting.

TRI-STATE

Roger Schenk reported on his attendance at the regular meeting of the Tri-State Board of Directors. Tri-State's gas and oil generation was 40 times above budget in January. Renewable generation was below budget. Tri-State discovered an accounting error in its 2022 financials of approximately \$7 million.

MIDWEST ELECTRIC CONSUMERS ASSOCIATION

Stuart Travis reported on his attendance at the regular meeting of the Midwest Electric Consumer's Association Board of Directors. The directors met with federal legislators to discuss issues of concern to Midwest Electric.

MEETING ATTENDANCE

The Board discussed attendance at upcoming meetings.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the meeting, the meeting was adjourned at 5:58 p.m.

SECRETARY

PRESIDENT