

Y-W ELECTRIC ASSOCIATION, INC.
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
September 21, 2021

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 September 21, 2021.

ROLL CALL

President Roger Schenk called the meeting to order. Directors present were:

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

Manager Trent Loutensock and Attorney Bryson Fredregill were also present. Attorney Fredregill recorded the minutes of the meeting. Director Craig Lambley entered the meeting later.

AGENDA APPROVED

The agenda was presented and revised. It was properly moved, seconded, and carried that the agenda be approved as revised.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Steve Diamond of the Washington County Planning and Zoning Board entered the meeting. Mr. Diamond discussed new and proposed Washington County regulations regarding the development of renewable energy generation resources. Mr. Diamond sought Y-WEA's position on the development of such resources, to which the board responded that its position is neutral.

CONSENT AGENDA

The Consent Agenda contained the following items:

- a. Minutes of the August 17, 2021, Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors
- b. List of persons to be accepted into membership in Y-W Electric Association, Inc.
- c. Policy 4-1: Use of Banking Facilities
- d. Policy 4-4: Internal Control
- e. Capital credit refunds for estates of deceased members

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

AUGUST BILLS

Brandee Bullard entered the meeting.

Manager Loutensock presented and the board reviewed the list of bills paid by the Association in the month of August 2021.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Brandee Bullard presented the July Statement of Operations. Manager Loutensock highlighted that the operating revenue is over the amount budgeted by \$2,227,083 year-to-date. Bullard presented the July Form 7 and Loan Rate Comparison as of September 10, 2021.

Director Craig Lambley entered the meeting.

Loutensock presented the July 2021 Projected Operating Forecast. Bullard presented the monthly expense report through August 2021. She also presented the equity report and Consumer Sales and Revenue Data Report through July 2021. Bullard presented the multi-year capitalized costs report and general ledger for July.

Loutensock presented the September 15, 2021, Tri-State bill. He presented graphs of demand, energy, and cost per kWh through August 2021.

Brandee Bullard and Trent Loutensock discussed options for use of the anticipated operating margins for 2021, including deferred revenue and paying down debt. The board directed management to develop a deferred revenue plan for presentation at the October meeting.

Brandee Bullard exited the meeting.

MEDICAL INSURANCE & RETIREMENT

Human Resources Manager Marjie Hottinger entered the meeting.

Hottinger presented the proposed renewal of the NRECA Retirement Security Plan. Hottinger recommended renewal of the NRECA Retirement Security Plan. It was properly moved, seconded, and carried to approve the plan as presented.

Hottinger also presented the new rates for the current NRECA health plans offered to Y-WEA employees. Hottinger recommended renewal of the current NRECA health plans. It was properly moved, seconded, and carried to renew the current health plans for 2022.

MANAGER REPORT

Manager Loutensock presented his written report. He presented the delinquent accounts, thank you notes, and open house information. He updated the board on the status of the Tri-State dockets currently before the FERC. He reported that Deb Daniel of the Republican River Water Conservation District is willing to attend a Y-WEA board meeting to discuss the activities of the RRWCD. Loutensock presented the CFC Newsletters for August and September.

Rod Dunker entered the meeting.

Dunker presented issues in need of repair at the Wray warehouse. Dunker proposed general plans for repair and improvement of the current building. The board directed management to seek bids for repair and improvement as described by Dunker.

Dunker exited the meeting.

WESTERN UNITED

Bob Bledsoe reported on his attendance at the regular meeting of the Western United Board of Directors. Profits are good and sales are up, but the company is facing backorder and transportation challenges.

Bob Bledsoe exited the meeting.

NISC MEMBER INFORMATION CONFERENCE

Brandee Bullard, Cami Kemp, Shannon Florian, and Gannon Leifheit entered the meeting.

Bullard, Kemp, Florian, and Leifheit discussed their attendance at the NISC MIC. All found the experience to be beneficial to their duties at Y-WEA.

Brandee Bullard, Cami Kemp, Shannon Florian, and Gannon Leifheit exited the meeting.

President Schenk recessed the meeting at 3:54 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 4:01 p.m.

CAMU SURVEY

The board reviewed the CAMU survey as presented by Manager Loutensock.

WRAY WIND REPORT

Manager Loutensock presented and the board reviewed the Wray Wind Report.

POLICY 2-1: EMPLOYEE RELATIONS

Manager Loutensock presented a revised Policy 2-1. Loutensock and the board discussed application of the policy. It was properly moved, seconded, and carried to approve the policy as presented.

POLICY 4-2: POLICY ON RESERVES

Manager Loutensock presented a revised Policy 4-2. It was properly moved, seconded, and carried to approve the policy as presented.

POLICY 4-3: WORK PLANS AND BUDGETS

Manager Loutensock presented a revised Policy 4-3. It was properly moved, seconded, and carried to approve the policy as presented.

VOTING DELEGATE FOR BASIN ELECTRIC ANNUAL MEETING

It was properly moved, seconded, and carried to appoint Aaron Gebauer as the Y-WEA delegate to the 2021 Basin Electric Annual Meeting.

VOTING DELEGATE FOR FEDERATED RURAL ELECTRIC REGION 7 MEETING

It was properly moved, seconded, and carried to appoint Stuart Travis as the Y-WEA delegate to the Federated Rural Electric Region 7 Meeting to be held September 29, 2021.

VOTING DELEGATE FOR NRECA FALL MEETING

It was properly moved, seconded, and carried to appoint Stuart Travis and Roger Schenk as the Y-WEA delegate and alternate, respectively, for the 2021 NRECA Fall Meeting.

DONATION REQUEST - GOLDEN PLAINS

Manager Loutensock presented a donation request from the Golden Plains Area Colorado State University Extension Strengthening Families Program. The board took no action.

CONTRIBUTION REQUEST - ENERGY OUTREACH

Manager Loutensock presented a contribution request from Energy Outreach Colorado in the amount of \$3,716.00 for August 2021. It was properly moved, seconded, and carried to contribute \$3,716.00 to Energy Outreach Colorado.

2022 ANNUAL MEETING

Andy Molt entered the meeting.

Molt presented recommended dates for the 2022 Y-WEA Annual Meeting. It was properly moved, seconded, and carried to establish March 24, 2022, as the date of the Y-WEA annual meeting.

FFA DONATIONS

Molt presented Y-WEA's history of donations to the FFA chapters in its service territory. Donations have traditionally gone to each of nine FFA schools in the amount of \$250.00 each. It was properly moved, seconded, and carried to donate \$250.00 from the education fund to each FFA chapter in Y-WEA's service territory.

2022 SCHOLARSHIP ESSAY QUESTION

Molt discussed options for the 2022 scholarship essay question. It was properly moved, seconded, and carried to delegate selection of the 2022 scholarship question to Andy Molt.

EV CHARGING STATION UPDATE

Molt reported that the EV Charging Station has been installed and would be initialized on the day following the meeting.

Andy Molt exited the meeting.

CREA

Stuart Travis reported on his attendance at the regular meeting of the CREA Board of Directors. He reported that Geoff Hier announced his retirement. CREA does not want to be in a position of fighting legislation during the next legislative session.

Stuart Travis exited the meeting.

TRI-STATE

Roger Schenk reported on his attendance at the regular meeting of the Tri-State Board of Directors. Natural gas sales are up. 2021 sales are below 2020 sales year-to-date. Schenk discussed the status of Tri-State's proposed contract termination payment. He reported that there is a good chance that the budget reconciliation bill includes a provision for rural community assistance comparable to the language proposed by Tri-State. Schenk also discussed the July financials. Schenk presented and discussed the explanation he received from

Joel Bladow regarding TOT ratings and TOT 3. He explained that TOT is a way to group and understand transmission capacity over multiple lines.

FORM 990

Brandee Bullard entered the meeting.

Bullard presented the 2020 Form 990.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

The Directors discussed attendance at upcoming meetings.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the meeting, the meeting was adjourned at 5:20 p.m.

SECRETARY

PRESIDENT