

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MENARD ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE
PETERSBURG, ILLINOIS
APRIL 26, 2016

The monthly Board Meeting of the Board of Directors of Menard Electric Cooperative was called to order at 6:00 P.M. at the Headquarters of the Cooperative, 14300 State Highway 97, Petersburg, County of Menard and State of Illinois.

On roll call the following Directors were present: President D. Jay Frye, Warren D. Goetsch, Gary L. Martin, Donald E. McMillan, Michael E. Patrick, Roy H. Seaney, Jodine Tate and Steven L. Worner. Director Jerry W. Brooks was absent. Also present was Manager Eric Hobbie and Attorney Charles K. Smith.

The Agenda of the meeting was read. There were no changes or additions to the Agenda. Thereafter with President Frye presiding and with these minutes being transcribed by or under the direction of Secretary Patrick, the following procedures were had (all action being first duly moved and seconded, and all action taken being upon the unanimous vote of the Board, or without dissenting vote or abstention, unless otherwise stated).

President Frye reviewed the Consensus Agenda. It was moved and seconded that the Consensus Agenda be approved as presented. Motion carried.

Manager Hobbie presented the Manager's Report for March, 2016. He reviewed the Balance Sheet, Budget, as well as the Outage Summary and Safety Report. Under the Operations Report, Manager Hobbie reviewed the status of the Irrigation Construction for 2016, and also presented an Irrigation Load Control Update. He discussed a request from NRECA for contribution to the International Fund for the Bolivia Project. The Board discussed the matter, but took no action. Manager Hobbie advised that it was necessary to change the May Board Meeting date back to its original date of May 24, 2016. It was moved and seconded that the May Board Meeting date be scheduled for May 24, 2016, at 6:00 p.m. It was moved and seconded that the Manager's Report be approved as presented. Motion carried.

Hobbie presented the financial report for the month of March. Year to date margins were \$314,344 compared to \$239,003 a year earlier. Equity as of the end of March was 37.42% and the number of member accounts served was 10,810 compared to 10,779 a year ago. Net utility plant at the end of March was \$43,989,809 compared to \$43,064,182 last year. The cooperative continues to meet the requirements of the RUS, FFB and NRUCFC.

Manager Hobbie reviewed with the Board the NRECA National Director's Study.

Director Goetsch advised that there was no AIEC Board Meeting.

Manager Hobbie presented an update of the Manager Meeting.

Director Martin reported on Prairie Power, Inc. He reviewed the March Energy Charge and presented an update on the status of Prairie State. There was discussion of the Certification of the Prairie Power, Inc. Director and Alternate Director for the Board, as well as for the PPI Annual Meeting. It was moved and seconded that Director Martin be appointed the Director for Prairie Power, Inc. with Director Worner as the Alternate Director. Motion carried. It was moved and seconded that Director Martin be appointed the Delegate to the Prairie Power Annual Meeting with Director Worner as the Alternate Delegate. Motion carried.

It was moved and seconded that the Board enter into Executive Session. Motion carried. It was moved and seconded the Board reconvene the Monthly Board Meeting. Motion carried.

There was discussion of plans for the Annual Meeting, which was scheduled for June 4, 2016.

Manager Hobbie reviewed the Capital Credit Estate Refunds Report.

President Frye advised that the next regular Board Meeting was May 24, 2016, at 6:00 p.m.

Under other business, President Frye reminded the Board of the NRECA Legislative Conference was scheduled for May 1-3, 2016 and the Menard Electric Annual Meeting was scheduled for June 4, 2016 at PORTA High School, Petersburg, Illinois.

There being no further business to come before the Board, it was moved and seconded the Meeting be adjourned. Motion carried.