

CHARITON VALLEY ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE
REGULAR MONTHLY BOARD MEETING

October 28, 2021

A meeting of the Chariton Valley Electric Cooperative, Inc. (CVEC) Board of Directors was called to order at the Cooperative office in Albia, Iowa, on October 28, 2021, at 4:59 p.m. by President Kenny VandenBerg.

Secretary Norm Major reported all 9 directors were present. Others in attendance included CEO/General Manager Leilani Todd, Finance Manager Trudy Grade, Economic Development & Member Services Manager Tod Faris and Executive Assistant Anna See. Operations Manager Troy Amoss was absent due to a conference.

Special Guest – Hayden George

The Board welcomed special guest Hayden George with Boy Scout Troop #71 out of Ottumwa. Hayden detailed his Eagle Scout project at the Albia Reservoir where he installed a 60' flagpole that displays a 12'x18' American flag. Hayden thanked CVEC as crews assisted his project by setting the flagpole with cooperative equipment. President VandenBerg thanked Hayden for his presentation and dismissed him from the meeting.

Special Guest – Brian Ackermann

The Board welcomed special guest Brian Ackermann with Associated Electric Cooperative virtually. Brian shared information about AECE's renewable generation power portfolio, developments for the future and how the political landscape impacts generation and reliability. President VandenBerg thanked Brian for his presentation and dismissed him from the meeting.

Executive Session

The Board entered an executive session at 6:02 p.m., returning to regular session at 6:27 p.m.

Agenda

A motion was made, seconded and carried to accept the final agenda as amended and presented.

Minutes

A motion was made, seconded and carried to approve the September 23, 2021, regular business meeting of the board of directors.

New Members

The list of applications for cooperative membership was presented to the board for the month of September 2021. A motion was made, seconded and carried to affix the cooperative seal on all membership applications for the month.

SEE ATTACHED MEMBER LIST

Committee Appointments

Board President VandenBerg reviewed the list of committees that will implement structure and manage the Board's work. President VandenBerg presented the proposed committees and appointments to the Board based on election rotations, years of experience and skill sets. A motion was made, seconded and carried to approve the committees and appointments as presented.

Policy 16 & 36 Amendments

President VandenBerg requested a motion be made to accept policies 16 & 36 as proposed last month to update financial institution names and allow the Cooperative to use Homestead Funds for future investment purposes. A motion was made, seconded and carried to accept policies 16 & 36 as presented.

SEE ATTACHED POLICIES

2022 CVEC Board Meeting Dates

CEO/General Manager Leilani Todd requested the Board choose alternate dates for the January 2022 and February 2022 board meetings as a conflict in scheduling has arisen. After a brief discussion, a motion was made, seconded and carried to move the Thursday, January 27th meeting to Tuesday, January 25th and the Thursday, February 24th meeting to Tuesday, March 1st.

Quarterly Expense Reports

The Board reviewed the director expense reports for 2021 3rd quarter. A discussion was held to notify all directors of any deductions made on their per diems. The Board also requested to see this report monthly moving forward. A motion was made, seconded and carried to accept the report as presented.

The Board motioned, seconded and carried to table the CEO/GM 2021 3rd quarter credit card expenses.

IAEC Annual Meeting Voting Delegates

Upon a motion made, seconded and carried, Director Major was appointed as CVEC's voting delegate, with Director Green serving as the alternate voting delegate for the upcoming 2021 IAEC Annual Business Meeting held on December 3rd.

Safety Report

A motion was made, seconded and carried to accept the September 2021 Safety Report and statistics as information provided by Mike Gibler, the cooperative's Safety and Material Coordinator.

Financial Report

Finance Manager Trudy Grade presented the cooperative's financials for September 2021. A motion was made, seconded and carried to accept all financials as presented.

Finance Manager Trudy Grade opened the floor for questions regarding her department written report. There were no questions to come before the board.

2021 Capital Budget Quarterly Update

Finance Manager Trudy Grade discussed and gave an update regarding where the cooperative stands financially, based on the 2021 capital budget.

Year-to-Date Community Contribution Update

Finance Manager Trudy Grade discussed the year-to-date community contributions the cooperative has given to 24 recipients, totally \$12,155.00.

Northeast Power 2022 Rates

Finance Manager Trudy Grade discussed NEP's rate structure for 2022 based on the base and peak demand discounts NEP receives from AEIC. As presented, there is no proposed rate increases from NEP for 2022. CVEC and NEP will each receive 50% of AEIC's discount, helping CVEC to not impose a rate increase to our membership in 2022.

Operations Report

CEO/General Manager Leilani Todd opened the floor for questions regarding Manager of Operations Troy Amoss' department written report. There were no questions to come before the board.

Economic Development & Member Services Report

Economic Development & Member Services Manager Tod Faris opened the floor for questions regarding his department written report. There were no questions to come before the board.

Board Resolution – Golf22 RLF Loan

Economic Development & Member Services Manager Tod Faris presented a resolution from the RLF loan committee requesting the Board of Directors approve a newly submitted RLF loan with a 4.25% interest rate (3.25% interest and 1% administration fee) for a term of ten (10) years in the amount of \$100,000.00 to Golf22 for their proposed new business project. Based on the loan terms reviewed and recommended by the RLF Loan Committee, a motion was made, seconded and carried by the Board to accept the resolution as proposed.

SEE ATTACHED RESOLUTION

IT & Cyber Security

A written report was provided to the board, summarizing the information technology department's recent activities noting specifically the cooperative's Knowbe4 statistics, two factor authentication testing, AEIC's Cooperative CyberDome program and CVEC's recent Outage Management System upgrade.

Member Communications & Engagement

Member outreach efforts for the month of September 2021 were shared with the Board along with the most recent statistics for the cooperative's social media page and website. An update was given regarding a new director training and education infographic included in the board packet and Operation Round Up's 3rd quarter contributions and applications. There were no further questions to come before the board.

Attorney's Report

CEO/General Manager Leilani Todd opened the floor regarding the Attorney's Legal Report. There were no questions to come before the board.

CEO/General Manager's Report

CEO/General Manager Leilani Todd extended Southern Iowa Electric Cooperative's invitation to the Board and employees as they plan to host a training room dedication in honor of director Joy Evans' 40+ years of service.

CEO/General Manager Leilani Todd also provided an update on the cooperative's Core 5 Goals for 2021. There were no questions to come before the board.

Director Reports for Affiliated Organizations

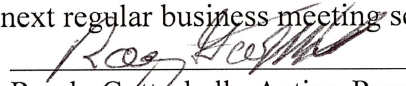
Directors in attendance at the NEP, IAEC and Iowa Institute of Cooperative's board meetings gave their monthly reports.

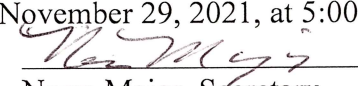
Executive Session

The Board entered an executive session at 9:05 p.m., returning to regular session at 9:26 p.m. The board motioned to see all cooperative credit card statements in the board packet monthly. The motion was seconded and carried.

Adjournment

As there was no further business to come before the board, the meeting adjourned at 10:32 p.m., with the next regular business meeting scheduled for Monday, November 29, 2021, at 5:00 p.m.


Randy Gottschalk, Acting President


Norm Major, Secretary