

October 2023 Board Meeting Highlights

- The October regular board meeting was held on Tuesday, October 31, 2023 at 8 AM. Absent: None.
- Staff members present were General Manager, Jeremy Huhnstock, Dale Schwagel, and Karen Lupkes.
- President Diekmann called the meeting to order.
- The agenda was approved.
- The minutes of the September regular board meeting were approved.
- The September check register was approved.
- Completed the annual general manager review.
- Received information on StakeOut staking software and GPS mapping project.
- Discussed the East River and Basin Electric video reports.
- Diekmann gave an East River Board Report.
- Huhnstock presented the General Manager's Report, which included:
 - Provided a Basin Electric update.
 - Provided an East River update.
 - REED Fund review.
 - NRECA update.
 - MREA and MN legislative update.
 - SDREA and SD legislative update.
- Lupkes gave the Office Manager's Report, which included:
 - September 30, 2023 accounts receivable balances were reviewed.
 - A list of new members was reviewed.
 - Update on Electrical Dept. and Generator Program.
 - East River power bill and Basin's financial reports reviewed.
 - Discussed moving new facility costs to plant accounts.
- Reviewed and approved the September 2023 Financial Report.
- Schwagel presented the Operations Report per written report. Items discussed included:
 - Provided a crew update.
 - Reviewed upcoming and completed projects.
 - Reported on the Digesters.
 - Discussed Big Stone County conditional use permits.
 - Reviewed our Safety Program.
 - Outages were reviewed.
- Received an update on the new facility.
- Received an update on the old properties for sale.
- Reviewed the 2024 Budget and Capital Budget drafts.
- Approved revisions to Policy 114.
- Approved revisions to Policy 307.
- Discussed and approved rate adjustments & a new General Service Time of Use Rate effective Jan. 1, 2024.
- Selected voting delegates for the Mid-West Annual Meeting.
- Reviewed upcoming meetings and attendees.
- Meeting adjourned.