

September 2024 Board Meeting Highlights

- The September regular board meeting was held on Tuesday, September 24, 2024 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 August regular board meeting were approved.
- The August check register was approved.
- Discussed the Basin Electric video report and the NRECA training video: *Methods of Nominating Director Candidates*.
- Diekmann gave an East River Board Report.
- Marks, Monson, and Rudolph reported on the East River Annual Meeting.
- Marks reported on the NRECA Region 5 & 6 Meeting.
- 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:
 - August 31, 2024 accounts receivable balances were reviewed.
 - A list of new members was reviewed.
 - Update on Electrical Dept. and Generator Program.
 - Reported on Wind and Waste Recovery RECs sold in the Basin Marketing Pool.
 - East River power bill and Basin's financial reports reviewed.
- Reviewed and approved the August 2024 Financial Report.
- The Operations Report was presented per written report. Items included:
 - Provided a crew update.
 - Reviewed upcoming and completed projects.
 - Digester service update.
 - 1600 coded work orders need to be completed and submitted to RUS by Dec 1.
 - Reported that our contractors will work on upgrading 5 miles of underground coming out of the Dumont sub.
 - Reported that our new line truck should arrive during the 1st quarter of 2025.
 - Federated Insurance will conduct their annual review and inspection in October.
 - Reviewed our Safety Program.
 - Outages were reviewed.
- Received an update on the new facility.
- Received an update on the old properties for sale.
- Approved non-union employee salary increases.
- Selected voting delegates for the Mid-West Consumers Annual Meeting.
- Approved a REED loan to the Rosholt Home Improvement Association for two governor's homes.
- Watched a presentation on North Star Electric's power theft incident.
- Reviewed upcoming meetings and attendees.
- Meeting adjourned.