

June 2019 Board Meeting Highlights

The June board meeting was held on Tuesday, June 25, 2019 at 8 AM. Absent: None.

Staff members present were General Manager, Joel Janorschke and Karen Lupkes.

The minutes of the May board meeting were approved.

The May check register was approved.

The board viewed the Basin Electric Board Video Report.

Homan reported on East River Board business.

Janorschke presented the Manager's Report, which included:

- Recapped the East River Manager's Meeting topics.
- Updated the board on MN and SD legislative issues.
- MREA held a conference call on communication and transparency.
- NRECA has formed an online community for distribution cooperative directors.
- Reviewed the 1st Quarter 2019 Budget and Capital Budget.
- Discussed proposing Bylaw changes.

Lupkes gave the Office Manager's Report, which included:

- Discussed an inventory adjustment made for resale material.
- Reviewed the changes to the RUS Cushion of Credit.
- The May 31, 2019 accounts receivable balances were reviewed.
- Uploading the board policies to the board portal is in progress.

Reviewed and approved the May Financial Report.

Passed Resolutions for the RUS FFB \$5,006,000 loan.

Janorschke gave the Operations Report. Items discussed included:

- May outages were reviewed.
- Crews have been doing pole changes, fixing urd faults, and plowing in cable for new services.
- Will have the temporary service energized for the new dairy.
- The cable is in for the ditch widening projects. Crews are now working on terminating.
- Pole inspections are complete with 314 poles rejected out of 2,138 for a 14.9% rejection rate.
- We received a bid from a locating company to take over our urd locating.
- Reviewed our safety program and meetings.
- We have 20 routers left to install for our new meter system.
- Two linemen attended Hot Line School.

Approved revisions to Policy 501 Equal Employment Opportunity.

Approved revisions to Policy 502 Equal Employment Opportunity for Handicapped Individuals, Disable Veterans, and Veterans of the Viet Nam Era.

Approved revisions to Policy 503 Employment Practices.

Approved revisions to Policy 505 Employee Benefits.

Approved revisions to Policy 506 Termination of Employment and Retirement.

East River Annual Meeting voting delegates were selected.

Attorney Scott Dymoke assisted with the completion of the loan mortgage documents.

July board meeting is moved to July 23, 2019.

Went into Executive Session.

There will be training on board governance and the general manager review at the July board meeting.

A list of upcoming meetings and attendees was reviewed.