

November 2020 Board Meeting Highlights

The November board meeting was held on Tuesday, November 24, 2020 at 9AM. Absent: Frisch.

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

The agenda was approved.

The minutes of the October board meeting were approved.

The October check register was approved.

District 3 mail ballots were opened and tabulated. Michael Gaulrapp received the most votes and will complete the term.

Homan reported on the East River board meeting.

Armstrong reported on the Basin Annual meeting he attended virtually.

Janorschke presented the 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.
- Discussed matter involving ditching near poles.
- Discussed current and future facility needs, options, and preliminary cost estimates.

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

- October 31, 2020 accounts receivable balances were reviewed.
- A list of new members was reviewed.
- COVID-19 update. Office doors temporarily closed due to rise in COVID cases.
- District 3 ballots were mailed to members of District 3.
- Requested approval to write off bad debt.

Reviewed and approved the October Financial Report.

Schwagel gave the Operations Report. Items discussed included:

- Outages were reviewed.
- Reviewed completed projects and new services.
- COVID impacts on workforce.
- Discussed minor issues with new line truck.
- Discussed a member ditching near poles.
- Reviewed our Safety Program.

Reviewed and approved the 2019 990.

Approved the retirement of \$600,000 to estates and general retirement.

Reviewed and approved the 2021 Budget.

Discussed COVID impact on holding District Meetings in January and our annual meeting in March.

Selected Marks as the voting delegate and Homan the alternate for 2021 MREA meetings.

A list of upcoming meetings and attendees was reviewed.

Meeting adjourned.