

**Platte-Clay Electric Cooperative, Inc.  
Regular August 2020 Meeting of the Board of Directors  
Held August 21, 2020**

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The Regular August 2020 Meeting of the Board of Directors of Platte-Clay Electric Cooperative, Inc. (hereinafter called the "Cooperative"), was held at 9:30 a.m. on Friday, August 21, 2020, at the offices of the Cooperative in Kearney, Missouri.

The meeting was called to order by Debi Koechner, President of the Cooperative, who presided. Theresa Wren acted as Secretary of the meeting and caused the keeping of the minutes.

**ROLL CALL**

Debi Koechner	Kendall Davis	Larry Leachman
Kim Goepferich	Dennis Fulk	
Theresa Wren	Gary Shanks	

Kelly Parkhurst was absent. Steve Adkins appeared via Zoom. The Directors in attendance constituted a quorum of the Directors of the Cooperative. Also present at the meeting were Dave Deihl, CEO/General Manager, Tim Hill, Operations Manager, Rhonda Nash, Accounting & Finance, Kenny Brown, Accounting & Finance appeared by Zoom, Ed Williams, Information & Technology Manager, Jennifer Grossl, Communications & Marketing, Jared Wolters, Engineering Manager, Angie Kinard, Human Resource Director, Garrett Poorman, Communications Director and Sheri Smiley, counsel for Platte-Clay Electric Cooperative, Inc.

## **APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA**

A Consent Agenda consisting of the approval of the Agenda, approval of the Minutes from the meeting held July 17, 2020, and approval of Memberships and Terminations was presented. A motion was made, seconded and passed to pass the Consent Agenda.

## **MEMBER COMMENTS**

Manager Dave Deihl reported there was one member comment this month to thank the Cooperative for quick service in restoring an outage.

## **STAFF REPORTS**

### **Safety**

Jim Cox gave the loss report. He reported as of August 1, 2020, there were 2,198 days without a lost time accident and that he had given out three internal safety awards. He reported on a vehicle accident on a service bucket that happened when the ground gave away causing the truck to tip. There were no injuries and the stability issue of the truck is being looked at. He reported that the Cooperative had received the lowest MOD Factor on workers compensation insurance premiums from MECIP this year due to their safety record.

### **Finance Report**

Kenny Brown gave the Finance and Accounting report for the month of July. He reported on the budget, sales, discussed the balance sheet, the income statement, operating statistics and key ratios. He gave an aging report on the accounts that are

past due for both residential and commercial accounts and updated the Board on collection efforts being taken. Net Margins for the month ending July 31, 2020, are \$396,026 with year-to-date total margins of \$1,861,048. The Tier is 2.05. He also discussed sales and controllable expenses.

### **Engineering Report**

Jared Wolters presented the Engineering Report. He gave monthly reports including 2020 year to date services built and reported on the July capital budget. He gave an update on Centurylink, and he gave an update on the solar farm.

### **Operations Report**

Tim Hill gave the Operations Report. He reported on outages and causes for the month. He gave a facilities update on painting and signs. He reported on two bucket trucks that need to be ordered that have a year lead time. The cost is approximately \$170,000 for a single bucket truck and \$245,000 for the large bucket truck. He had received a couple of bids on the trucks. A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve the purchase of both trucks and to include the cost in the 2021 budget.

### **Information Report**

Ed Williams gave the information and technology report. He reported that Meridian is now live and gave an ACLARA-ACE update.

### **Marketing & Communications Report**

Jennifer Grossl gave the marketing report. She gave an election update and how members can request a ballot. She showed the board the emails that went to members

if the Cooperative had the email of the Member. She reported on the dedication ceremony that was held on July 25, 2020, for the Lathrop Blue/Gold Star Memorial at the Lathrop fair grounds. She also reported on the interview that Brad Mick and Seth Henry had done on 102.7 FM radio on their trip to Guatemala.

### **Manager's Report**

Dave Deihl gave the manager's report. He gave a COVID update including how testing of employees is being handled. He also discussed the plan of the Cooperative if the schools shut down and how that would impact employees with school age children. Masks are required in all common areas and the linemen are being separated as much as possible. He reported that Botz, Deal had completed a benefits audit, which is required by NRECA every five years. The audit came back as a clean audit. He reported that the 2021 NRECA meeting has been cancelled due to COVID.

### **MEETING REPORTS**

#### **NW MONTHLY REPORT**

Larry Leachman gave the August board update. He discussed margins, income, expenses and outages. He gave an update on the airplane and the MOD factor for MECIP that NW had achieved. He discussed the manager evaluation process that is being done. He also reported on the committee member changes to the standing committees.

#### **AMEC BOARD REPORT**

Debi Koechner gave the AMEC report on the meeting held by Zoom on

August 5, 2020. She reported on the committee reports given and that the Region VIII meeting will be virtual. She reported on internal operations and that Bylaws and Policies are being reviewed. She reported that the Lineman's Rodeo for 2020 had been cancelled due to COVID. She gave an AECl report and discussed the program of Wires over Wildlife. She also reported that there would be no Coop building at the State Fair this year due to COVID.

### **PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

Debi Koechner gave the president's report. She reported that during the CFC Special Meeting the By-Laws were amended and that they had a good question and answer session around COVID concerns. She went through the NRECA National Director Survey results that was done.

The following upcoming meetings were reviewed:

- September 18 – PCEC Board Meeting
- October 16 – PCEC Board Meeting at N.W. Electric Cooperative
- November 20 – PCEC Meeting
- December 18 – PCEC Meeting

### **ADDITIONAL BUSINESS**

A discussion was held regarding the Directors attendance at the Board meetings during the COVID-19 pandemic. Due to health concerns a motion was made, seconded and passed that during the pandemic any Board member who had safety concerns could attend the Board meeting by Zoom and receive the per diem.

### **NOMINEE REPORT**

Debi Koechner gave the nominee report from the meeting held on August 18, 2020. She discussed Securities including sales, profits, areas of growth and the budget. She also discussed Fuels including sales, margins, budget, marketing ideas, signage and reported that the new card readers were installed.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Executive session was called at 1:22 p.m. and was adjourned at 1:50 p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the meeting, on motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned. The next regular meeting will be held on September 18, 2020, at 9:00 a.m.

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Secretary

APPROVED:

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President