## REGULAR MEETING - BOARD OF DIRECTORS SALMON RIVER ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC.

## CHALLIS, IDAHO

May 24, 2017 1:00 P.M. MINUTES

**Directors Present:** 

Bob Boren

Doug Parkinson

Norman Wallis

Steve Rembelski

Earl Skeen

Jeff Bitton

Mike Miller

**Staff Present:** 

Ken Dizes, Manager

Tyler Thayn, Staff Assistant

**Others Present:** 

None

## Bold Language indicated follow-up items.

The regular meeting was called to order by President Boren at 1:00 P.M.

Public Input: No public were present. Dizes reported that SREC received a request that a veteran electric rate discount be established.

The board took the following actions:

- It was moved by Bitton, seconded by Miller to retain the current slate of directors. Passed by unanimous vote.
- The minutes of the April 26, 2017 joint SREC/SRP meeting, the April 26, 2017 regular meeting, and the April 27, 2017 regular meeting after the annual meeting were approved as distributed.
- It was moved by Skeen, seconded by Parkinson to certify the revised bylaws approved by the membership at the April 27, 2017 Annual Member's Meeting. Passed by unanimous consent.
- It was moved by Parkinson, seconded by Bitton to approve the retirement of three decedent capital credit accounts totaling \$4,706.09. Passed by unanimous consent.
- It was moved by Wallis, seconded by Parkinson to approve the retirement of three write off accounts totaling \$3,994.49. Passed by unanimous consent.
- It was moved by Wallis, seconded by Parkinson to continue participating in the CFC integrity fund by contributing 5% of SREC's CFC patronage capital refund for this year. Passed by a unanimous consent.
- It was moved by Bitton, seconded by Skeen to approve the General Manager sign the contract with Bonneville Environmental Foundation. Passed by unanimous vote.

• It was moved by Bitton, seconded by Parkinson to accept the proposed changes to the capital credit policy as presented by staff. Passed by unanimous consent.

The April Financials were reviewed.

Boren and Dizes reported on ICUA:

- Energy efficiency and demand response are the resource of choice for future generation.
- 7<sup>th</sup> Power Plan Model Conservation Standards as presented in the Action Plan.
- Unclaimed property law updates.
- TCMS update pertaining to non-federal generation transmission service outside of BPA territory. This currently does not affect SREC but it could in the future.
- Trump budget proposed selling the BPA transmission assets.
- BPA rate increase will be between 6% and 11%.
- Coops need to make a decision on if they are going to participate in a mutual aid agreement with Idaho Power.

Dizes reported on SREC Safety. No reportable accidents occurred in April. The Idaho Utility Safety Summit was a quality event that SREC will continue to attend in the future. Items of particular interest were: tailboards, tailboards for after-hour calls, SREC employees reporting lessons learned from SAP visits to other utilities, work place injury prevention techniques, distracted driving, a focus on safety from the bottom up, and "management" is "checking up" according to JR Simplot.

Dizes reported on the following:

- NRU is recommending that the BPA Spill Surcharge be a line item in customer's electric bill.
- There was a 3 hour planned outage for Pahsimeroi on 5/24/17 to replace a pole
- Record management was discussed specifically the destruction of old consumer files. Board agreed to destroy files per the Code of Federal Regulations.
- Stanley land exchange might affect SREC infrastructure. SREC will meet with City of Stanley to share information.
- Salt on roads is shortening the life of SREC vehicles. Dizes will contact government officials to see what can be done.

Member Report was reviewed. There were 9 new members in and 10 out for a net loss of 1. Membership at the end of April stands at 2114.

Discussed upcoming Director Meetings/Schools and who would be attending as well as the upcoming board meeting dates.

There was no unfinished business.

New Business: The upcoming eclipse was discussed. SREC crew safety will be a primary concern. Cell towers might not be available and crews should stay off roads if possible.

The next meeting is Jun 28, 2017 at 1:00 P.M. in Challis.

The regular meeting was adjourned at 2:30 P.M.

Momm Walls
Secretary

President

6/28/17

Date

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