

MINUTES



**Wiregrass Electric Cooperative, Inc.
Board of Trustees
March Board Meeting
Tuesday, March 24, 2020, 5:30 pm - 6:57 pm
Conference Call**

In Attendance

Danny McNeil; David Winstead; Debra Baxley; Donald Ray Wilks; Donna Parrish; Greg McCullough; John Clark, Jr.; Kip Justice; Tracy Reeder

I. ****Conference Call-In Information****

877-217-1069 Call this number

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II. Call to Order

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of Wiregrass Electric Cooperative, Inc. was held on March 24, 2020, via conference call at the Headquarters Office of the Cooperative in Geneva County, Alabama.

Paragraph from WEC Bylaws: ARTICLE V Meetings of Trustees

Section 4. Quorum. A majority of the Board of Trustees shall constitute a quorum, provided that if less than such majority of the Trustees is present in person, by video or teleconference, at said meeting, a majority of the Trustees present may adjourn the meeting from time to time; and provided further that the Secretary shall notify any absent Trustees of the time and place of such adjourned meeting. The act of the majority of the Trustees present at a meeting at which a quorum is present shall be the act of the Board of Trustees.

III. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

Invocation was given by Les Moreland. Jason Thrash led the Pledge of Allegiance.

IV. Those Absent

V. Introduction of Guests

VI. Action Items-Agenda

A. Approve Consent Agenda

Items included in the Consent Agenda include the review and approval of the Safety Report and Hours Worked Report; the Approval of Minutes from February 25, 2020 Board of Trustees Meeting and to Vote on 184 persons who have requested membership in the Cooperative in February and who have complied with requirements of the By-Laws, and who are now receiving service. Vote off 138 members who have ceased to receive electric service in February, and who have requested to withdraw their membership.

Move: Greg McCullough Second: Donald Ray Wilks Status: Passed

B. Appoint/Approve Operation Round Up Board Member District 3

Ms. Ann West resigned from the Operation Round Up Board effective February 11, 2020. Wiregrass Electric Board Member, John Clark Jr. presents for approval Judy Norris to step in to the role of Operation Round Up Board Member for District 3.

Move: John Clark, Jr. Second: Debra Baxley Status: Passed

C. Approve 219's January- February 2020 totaling \$871,247.21

Forms 219 to Rural Utilities Service (RUS) approving Construction Work Orders for completed and inspected construction for the month of January 2020 in the amount of \$689,804.02, February 2020 in the amount of \$174,078.55 and 2020 Minor Projects for the month of January 2020 in the amount of \$5,488.41, and February 2020 in the amount of \$1,876.23.

Move: Kip Justice Second: David Winstead Status: Passed

D. Accept Financial/Operating Report for February

At this time, please open the CFO Presentation 03-24-2020. Lisa LeNoir, Chief Financial Officer, presented the Financial and Operating Report for February. A motion was made to accept the operating report as presented and a second. Motion passed.

Move: Greg McCullough Second: David Winstead Status: Passed

VII. Business of the Membership

Business of the Membership was discussed. Letters of thanks were received from the Ashford Study Club.

Les Moreland, CEO, reported on the Covid-19 current situation. Les has spoken with Terry Mitchell with Jackson Thornton regarding managing worst case scenarios and meeting RUS ratios and the effect on our financials. Jason Thrash, VP of Engineering & Operations, reported on changes implemented in his department. All WEC vehicles are now being operated by one person per vehicle and no passengers. Servicemen are being asked to work from their trucks and not to come to the offices unless necessary to pick up material.

Effective today, staggered crew schedules; Ryan Tate, Greg Bradley and Stevie Sauls working remotely. Danny Adams and Clint Hatcher have a rotating schedule. Brad Kimbro, COO, made report based on his PowerPoint. Front lobby signs encourage members to either conduct business by using our drive-thru at each office or by contacting us via telephone. Payments may be accepted using several non-contact methods such as online, kiosks, 24-7 phone service and the mobile app. Lisa LeNoir, CFO, reported on accounting and billing staffing.

VIII. Jason Thrash- Vice President of Engineering & Operations

IX. COO's Report- Brad Kimbro

X. CEO's Report- Les Moreland

XI. Attorney's Report- Russ Parrish

XII. Board Committee Reports- PSE/AREA

Power South's Board of Trustees Meeting was held on February 28, 2020; discussion was held concerning the same, led by Power South Trustee representative, Danny McNeil. The next Power South Board of Trustees Meeting will be held on March 27, 2020, via conference call.

Alabama Rural Electric Association Board of Trustees Meeting was held on January 30, 2020, and discussion was held concerning the same, led by AREA Trustee representative, Greg McCullough. The next AREA Board of Trustees Meeting will be held on March 26, 2020.

XIII. Next Board Meeting

The next regular Board Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, April 28, 2020 at the Hartford office of the Cooperative at 6:15 p. m.

XIV. Adjourn

A motion and second was made to conclude this meeting of the Cooperative Board of Trustees.

Move: Danny McNeil Second: Debra Baxley Status: Passed



President

Secretary

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