CLINTON COUNTY ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC.
Minutes of the Meeting of the
Board of Trustees held
Tuesday, March 26, 2024

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Clinton County Electric Cooperative, Inc. was held at the Cooperative Office in Breese, Illinois on Tuesday, March 26, 2024, beginning at 7:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Tim Hanke, Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Cooperative, at 7:00 p.m. and began with the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

At the time Secretary-Treasurer Kevin Wiegmann called the roll, the following trustees were present:

Tim Hanke
Rob Gerstenecker
Kevin Wiegmann
John Becker
Cary Dickinson
Kevin Kampwerth
Rodney Timmermann
Joe Voss

said trustees being all the trustees of the cooperative except Steve Kalmer who was present via conference call. Also in attendance was Cooperative President/COO Bob Kroeger.

APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA

Upon motion by Trustee Dickinson, seconded and a vote taken thereon, the Consent Agenda, with the following items was approved:

1. Minutes of the February 26, 2024, Clinton County Electric Regular Board Meeting as posted;
2. Delinquent accounts write-off: electric (a/c 904) -(1) $408.11;
3. Memberships to be terminated;
4. Capital Credit Estates – (5) $1,980.67;
5. President's Report, including the prior month's correspondence, issues and complaints, and the SIPC power bill for last month's usage. Also included under the President's Report: President Kroeger reminded the board of the President's upcoming over night travel request, which has been previously approved including: none at this time.
6. Important dates to remember:
    - SIPC Annual Meeting – March 28, 2024
    - CCEC Advisory Committee Annual Meeting – April 3, 2024
    - NRECA Director's Conference: April 8-9, 2024 – Nashville, TN
    - AIEC Lobby Day: April 16, 2024 - Springfield, IL
    - NRECA Legislative Conference: April 21-24, 2024 - Washington, D.C.
    - ACES Member's Conference: June 17-19, 2024 - Indianapolis, IN
    - CFC Forum: June 17-19, 2024 – Indianapolis, IN
    - CCEC Annual Meeting: August 15, 2024 (Tentative)
7. Member Correspondence
    - Surveys
    - Thank you-Wesclin FFA
    - Thank you-Mater Dei-grant recipient
    - Thank you-Clinton County Extension Education Foundation

TRUSTEE, LEGAL COUNSEL & PRESIDENT/COO EXPENSES

Upon motion by Trustee Becker, seconded and a vote taken thereon, the trustee, legal counsel, and President/COO expenses were approved.

CHECKS, WIRE TRANSFERS, ACH

The board then reviewed the checks/wire transfer/ACH list for the month of February 2024.

FINANCIAL REPORT

At this time, the board reviewed the financial report for the month ending February 29, 2024.

MONTHLY OPERATIONAL AND STATISTICAL REPORT

President Kroeger then reported on the monthly Operational and Statistical Report.

ACCIDENT & SAFETY REPORT & OUTAGE REPORTS

The Accident & Safety Report, as well as the Individual and Line Outage Reports, were received by the Board of Trustees at this time. Upon motion by Trustee Gerstenecker, seconded and a vote taken thereon, both the written and oral Accident/Safety Report and the Individual and Line Outage Reports for the month of February 2024, presented by Cooperative President Bob Kroeger, were approved. The written reports are made a part of these minutes.

NEW MEMBERSHIPS

The board received the new memberships list at this time (itemized in the March 2024 Board Minutes addendum and made a part of these minutes).

REVIEW AND DISCUSSION OF 2023 AUDIT

At this time, President Kroeger presented the results of the 2023 Audit. Upon motion by Trustee Kampwerth, seconded and a vote taken thereon, the 2023 audit was approved.

401k RESOLUTION AND ADOPTION AGREEMENT

Upon motion by Trustee Dickinson, seconded and vote taken thereon, the board approved the "Resolution Authorizing the Amendment of the 401(k) Pension Plan".

2-YEAR AUDIT AGREEMENT

Upon motion by Trustee Dickinson, seconded and vote taken thereon, the board approved a 2-year Audit Agreement with Kelso Lynch Certified Public Accountants.

NRECA CLASS BLC 984 "THE ROAD TO RESILIENCE: THE BOARD'S RESPONSIBILITY"

Upon motion by Trustee Kampwerth, seconded and a vote taken thereon, the board approved Trustees Timmermann and Wiegmann to attend NRECA Class BLC 984 "The Road to Resilience: The Board's Responsibility" to be held in at the AIEC Headquarters in Springfield, IL on May 22, 2024.

NRECA CLASS BLC 961 "THE EVOLUTION OF THE ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE POWER SUPPLY"

Upon motion by Trustee Gerstenecker, seconded and a vote taken thereon, the board approved all CCEC Trustees to attend the NRECA Class BLC 961 "The Evolution of the Electric Cooperative Power Supply" to be held at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Springfield, IL on July 31, 2024.

AIEC ANNUAL MEETING

Upon motion by Trustee Becker, seconded and a vote taken thereon, the board approved all CCEC Trustees to attend AIEC's Annual Meeting to be held at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Springfield, IL on August 1-2, 2024.

VOTING DELEGATES FOR THE AIEC ANNUAL MEETING

Upon motion by Trustee Dickinson, seconded and a vote taken thereon, Trustee Kampwerth was approved as the Voting Delegate and Trustee Gerstenecker as the Alternate Voting Delegate for the AIEC's Annual Meeting, to be held on August 1-2, 2024.

DIRECTOR & ALTERNATE DIRECTOR FOR AIEC BOARD

Upon motion by Trustee Becker, seconded and a vote taken thereon, Trustee Kampwerth was elected as Director and Trustee Gerstenecker as Alternate Director for two-year terms on the Board of Directors of the Association of Illinois Electric Cooperatives.

2024 CCEC ANNUAL MEETING UPDATE

At this time, President Kroeger updated the board concerning the CCEC Annual Meeting to be held on August 15, 2024.

BRUSH CHIPPER

At this time, due to being in need of extensive repairs, President Kroeger presented the board with a proposal to purchase a replacement brush chipper. After some discussion, upon motion by Trustee Wiegmann, seconded and a vote taken thereon, the board approved the purchase of a replacement brush chipper.

2024 NRECA ANNUAL MEETING

Next, there was a discussion of the 2024 NRECA Annual Meeting attended by the CCEC Trustees Gerstenecker, Kalmer, Kampwerth, Timmermann Wiegmann and President Kroeger.

APRIL BOARD MEETING

Due to a conflict with Trustee Dickinson attending the NRECA Legislative Conference, the board approved moving the April board meeting to Tuesday, April 30, 2024, at 7:00 p.m.

AREA MEETINGS

At this time, there was a discussion concerning the recent CCEC Area Meetings.

AIEC DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Trustee Kampwerth reported on recent happenings at the AIEC.

SIPC DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Trustees Hanke, Kalmer, and Dickinson in addition to President Kroeger, reported on recent activities at Southern Illinois Power Cooperative.

SISTER COOPERATIVE'S LLC

Next, the board received reports on sister cooperatives.

OTHER BUSINESS

In Other Business:

- Status of selected accounts-not needed

EXECUTIVE SESSION WITH PRESIDENT/COO

No Executive Session with President Kroeger was needed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION WITHOUT PRESIDENT/COO

No Executive Session without President Kroeger was needed.

FORM 990

Forms to record Form 990 hours were then circulated.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before this board, upon motion by Trustee Timmermann, seconded and a vote taken thereon, Chairman Hanke adjourned the meeting at 9:05 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of Clinton County Electric Cooperative, Inc. will be held on Tuesday, April 30, 2024, beginning at 7:00 p.m.

Kevin Wiegmann, Secretary

APPROVED:

Tim Hanke, Chairman