# CLINTON COUNTY ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC.
## Minutes of the Meeting of the
## Board of Trustees held
## Tuesday, August 27, 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, August 27, 2024, beginning at 7:03 p.m.

## CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Rob Gerstenecker, Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Cooperative, at 7:03 p.m. and began with the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

## ROLL CALL

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

Rob Gerstenecker
Steve Kalmer
Kevin Wiegmann
John Becker
Tim Hanke
Kevin Kampwerth
Rodney Timmermann
Joe Voss

said trustees being all the trustees of the cooperative except Cary Dickinson who was present via conference call. Also, in attendance was President/COO Bob Kroeger.

## APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA

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

1. Minutes of the July 29, 2024, Clinton County Electric Regular Board Meeting as posted.
2. Delinquent accounts write-off: electric (a/c 904) (1) $65.20.
3. Memberships to be terminated.
4. Capital Credit Estates – (3) $2,069,04.
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 his upcoming overnight travel request, which has been previously approved including: none at this time;
6. Important dates to remember:
    - 2024 NRECA Region 5 Meeting held in Minneapolis, MN on September 16-18, 2024.
    - Flu Shots-Wednesday, October 23, 2024 @ 7:00 a.m.
7. Member Correspondence
    - Returned Surveys
    - Member Judith Johnson thank you
    - CCFB Tractor Pull Committee thank you

## TRUSTEES, 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 July 2024.

## FINANCIAL REPORT

At this time, the board reviewed the financial report for the month ending July 31, 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 Timmermann, 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 July 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 August 2024 Board Minutes addendum and made a part of these minutes).

## SIPC INVESTED CAPITAL TAX

President Kroeger gave an update on the status of the Invested Capital Tax being returned to the CCEC membership.

## NRECA CLASS HELD BEFORE AIEC ANNUAL MEETING

At this time, there was a discussion concerning the NRECA class held before the AIEC Annual Meeting.

## AIEC ANNUAL MEETING

Next, there was a discussion about the AIEC Annual Meeting.

## CECC ANNUAL MEETING

Next, there was a discussion about the CCEC Annual Meeting.

## NRECA CCD 2600 CLASS: "Director Duties and Liabilities"

At this time, there was a discussion about the NRECA Class CCD 2600 "Director Duties and Liabilities" attended by Trustee Wiegmann.

## NRECA BLC 921 CLASS: "Risk Oversight: The Board's Role in Risk Management"

At this time, there was a discussion about the NRECA Class BLC 921 "Risk Management: The Board's Role in Risk Management" attended by Trustees Gerstenecker and Wiegmann.

## FEDERATED VOTING DELEGATE

Upon motion by Trustee Hanke, seconded and a vote taken thereon, Trustee Gerstenecker was appointed as the Federated Rural Electric Insurance Exchange Voting Delegate for the upcoming Federated Rural Electric Insurance Exchange Meeting being held in conjunction with the 2024 NRECA Region 5 Meeting.

## CFC'S IBES 2024

Upon motion by Trustee Hanke, seconded and a vote taken thereon, Trustee Becker and President Kroeger were approved to attend CFC's IBES 2024 Conference to be held in Tuson, AZ November 18-20, 2024.

## RURAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT LOAN (REDLG)

Next, President Kroeger gave an update on the request from the U.S Department of Agriculture to participate in the Rural Economic Development Loan (REDLG) program to assist with expansion at Crooked Creek Winery. President Kroeger informed the board that action will need to be taken at the September board meeting.

## AIEC DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Trustee Kampwerth then reported on the happenings at AIEC.

## SIPC DIRECTOR'S REPORT

No SIPC board meeting since last CCEC board meeting.

## SISTER COOPERATIVE'S LLC

Next, the board received reports on Sister Cooperatives.

## OTHER BUSINESS

Status of selected account:

## ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

President Kroeger informed the board that the cooperative had been notified by a representative of the Illinois Department of Natural Resources that an osprey nest was being formed on a pole near the entrance to Eldon Hazlet State Park and removal of the nest would be in violation of the U.S. Migratory Bird Treaty Act. President Kroeger informed the board that an outage resulting from the nest would only affect Eldon Hazlet State Park.

## MEMBER CORRESPONDENCE

President Kroeger informed the board that a CCEC member had reached out with concerns about CCEC's position on making renewable energy options available for the CCEC membership. President Kroeger will meet with the member to discuss the concerns.

## EXECUTIVE SESSION WITHOUT PRESIDENT/COO

No executive session without President/COO Kroeger was needed.

## EXECUTIVE SESSION WITH PRESIDENT/COO

No executive session with President/COO Kroeger was needed.

## FORM 990

Form to record Form 990 hours was then circulated.

## ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before this board, upon motion by Trustee Hanke, seconded and a vote taken thereon, Chairman Gerstenecker adjourned the meeting at 8:45 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of Clinton County Electric Cooperative, Inc. will be held on Tuesday, September 24, 2024, beginning at 7:00 p.m.

Kevin Wiegmann, Secretary

APPROVED:

Rob Gerstenecker, Chairman