

**Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of the
Jump River Electric Cooperative, Inc.
Tuesday, June 27, 2023**

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Jump River Electric Cooperative, Inc. was held on Tuesday, June 27, 2023, at the Cooperative headquarters building in Ladysmith, Rusk County, Wisconsin.

Thank you cards from scholarship recipients Sam Legler, Cadence Calkine, Logan Porudish, Heather Hecker, Ella Luettgerodt, and Madison Walker, as well as Flambeau Project Graduation and Seeley Lions Club were circulated by Brooks.

1. **Call the Meeting to Order.** Chairman Brooks called the Regular Board Meeting to Order at 9:05 a.m.
2. **Roll Call.** Chairman Brooks stated that the following Board Members were in person at the start of the meeting: Jane Reich, District 1; Myron Brooks, District 2; Joe Lorence, District 3; Jay Waeltz, District 4; Bill van Doorn, District 5; Jason Weaver, District 7; Walter Kruk, District 8; and Sandra Schara, District 9. Also in attendance were Kurt Harris, General Manager/CEO; Dawn Zahurones, Finance Manager; Jordan Behreandt; Operations Manager; and Jennifer Belk, Executive Assistant. Absent from the meeting was Bill Amery, District 6.
3. **The Pledge of Allegiance** was recited.
4. **Acceptance of the Agenda.** A motion was made by van Doorn and seconded by Kruk to accept the agenda as presented. Unanimously approved.
5. **Open Comment Session.** No one in attendance.
6. **Safety Moment** – District 3. Lorence presented on fireworks safety.
7. **Consent Agenda.** The May board meeting minutes, check register, member refunds, new membership applications, outages, check register, director expense reports, and director reports were posted to Call of Order prior to the meeting for review by the Board. A motion was made by Lorence and seconded by Weaver to approve the consent agenda as presented. Unanimously approved.
8. **Operations Report.** Operations Manager Behreandt reported on Hawkins pole changes, new services, service changes, retired services, brushing progress, brushing and spraying budget, Hwy 8 conversion, Hwy E project, A-1 three-phase project on Tyman Rd, Singer Rd three-phase line, and Higher Power pole changes for the Charter project. A motion was made by Schara and seconded by Reich to approve the operations report as presented. Unanimously approved.
9. **Financial Report.** Finance Manager Zahurones reviewed the Income Statement, Monthly Margins, Year to Date Margins, Tier/O-Tier, Year-to-Date Balance Sheet, Equity, Monthly Kwh's sold, Year-to-Date Kwh's sold, Operating Statement, Balance Sheet, and Supplemental Data for May. A motion was made by Reich and seconded by Schara to approve the financial report as presented. Unanimously carried.
10. **General Manager Report.** CEO / General Manager Harris reported on Charter progress, Solar project, grant partnerships, EV charging stations, Member Appreciation Days, and May manager expenses. A motion was made by Reich and seconded by van Doorn to approve the General Manager report as presented. Unanimously carried.
 - a. **Federated Insurance Report.** A motion was made by Kruk and seconded by Schara to approve the Federated Insurance Report as presented. Unanimously approved.
11. **Dairyland Power Cooperative (DPC).** Reich reported on DPC elections, RockGen tour, and Board education meeting. A motion was made by van Doorn and seconded by Lorence to approve the DPC Director Report as presented. Unanimously carried.

12. **National Rural Electric Cooperative Association (NRECA).** A motion was made by van Doorn and seconded Schara to send Reich and Lorence to the 2023 NRECA Regional Meeting in Des Moines, Iowa September 12-14. Unanimously approved. A motion was made by van Doorn and seconded by Schara to appoint Reich as Voting Delegate and Lorence as Alternate Voting Delegate. Unanimously approved.
13. **Wisconsin Electric Cooperative Association (WECA).**
 - a. **WECA District 3 Meeting.** A motion was made by Reich and seconded by van Doorn to send Reich, Brooks, Lorence, van Doorn, Kruk, Schara, and Harris to the WECA District 3 Meeting in Barron on July 12. Unanimously carried. A motion was made by Lorence and seconded by Weaver to approve Reich as voting delegate and van Doorn as alternate voting delegate. Unanimously approved.
 - b. **Strategic Crisis Management.** A motion was made by Reich and seconded by van Doorn to approve sending Brooks, Lorence, van Doorn, Amery, Weaver, Kruk, Schara and Harris to the Strategic Crisis Management in Eau Claire on August 1. Unanimously approved.
 - c. **Energy Summit.** A motion was made by Reich and seconded by van Doorn to approve sending Brooks, Lorence, van Doorn, Amery, Weaver, Kruk, and Schara to the Energy Issues Summit in Eau Claire on August 2. Unanimously approved.

The Board took a break from 10:10 a.m. until 10:18 a.m.

14. **Unfinished Business.**
 - a. **Strategic Plan.** A motion was made by Weaver and seconded by Kruk to approve the Strategic Plan as presented. Unanimously carried.
15. **New Business.**
 - a. **June Power Cost Adjustment.** A motion was made by Weaver and seconded by van Doorn to retain the June power cost adjustment for future assessment of the financial health of the cooperative. Unanimously approved.
 - b. **Construction Workplan.** A motion was made by Reich and seconded by Weaver to approve the Construction Workplan as presented. Unanimously approved.
 - c. **Financial Forecast.** A motion was made by Lorence and seconded by van Doorn to approve the Financial Forecast as presented. Unanimously approved.
 - d. **Budget Adjustment.** A motion was made by Weaver and seconded by Kruk to approve the Budget Adjustment as presented. Unanimously approved.
 - e. **Policy Review: Member Policy No. 301; General.** Policy Reviewed. No Action Taken.
 - f. **Policy Revision: Member Policy No. 302; Definitions & Abbreviations.** A motion was made by Reich and seconded by Schara to approve revisions to Member Policy No. 302 as presented. Unanimously carried.
16. **Executive Session.** A motion was made by Schara and seconded by Reich to enter into executive session at 11:13 a.m. to discuss Dairyland Power Cooperative and appraisal of the General Manager/CEO. Unanimously carried.

Zahurones, Behreandt, and Belk exited the meeting at 11:13 a.m.

Harris exited the meeting at 11:23 a.m.

A motion was made by Reich and seconded by Kruk to return to open session at 11:51 a.m.
Unanimously carried.

Harris and Belk returned to the meeting at 11:52 a.m.

A motion was made by Reich and seconded by Kruk to approve compensation increase for General Manager/CEO, Kurt Harris. Unanimously approved.

17. **July Meeting Date.** The July meeting date was scheduled for Tuesday, July 25, 2023.

A motion was made by Schara and seconded by Waeltz to **Adjourn the Meeting at 12:06 p.m.**
Unanimously carried.


Joe Lorence, Secretary-Treasurer


Dated

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Director Report
District 2
June 2023

Attended Dairyland Power annual meeting. Miss America was in attendance and addressed the members and delegates of Dairyland Power.

Phil Molene announced his retirement. He will be missed at Dairyland Power.

RESCO's new warehouse construction in Stanley is progressing quickly. Sidewalls are all up and it looks to be a very large structure (football field size) This warehouse will benefit all local coops.

Myron