## Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of the Jump River Electric Cooperative, Inc. Wednesday June 1, 2022

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Jump River Electric Cooperative, Inc. was held following the Re-Organizational Meeting on Wednesday, June 1, 2022, at the Cooperative headquarters building in Ladysmith, Rusk County, Wisconsin.

Chairperson Brooks called the Regular Board Meeting to order at 9:08 a.m. Thank you cards were circulated to the Board of Directors from scholarship recipients Brianna Kopacz, Kristi Olsen, and Bishop Peterson as well as from the Flambeau Cancer Benefit Committee.

A motion was made by Reich, seconded by Schara to **Accept the Agenda** as presented. Unanimously approved.

No one was in attendance for Open Comment.

Lorence gave a brief presentation on the Wisconsin Electric Cooperative Association (WECA) Education Program for 2023.

District 8 Director Walter Kruk presented on Severe Weather Preparedness.

The **April** Board Meeting Minutes, Member Refunds, New Membership Applications, Director Expenses, Check Register, and Director Reports were posted to Call of Order prior to the meeting for review by the Board. A motion was made by Carow, and seconded by Reich to **Approve the Consent Agenda** as presented. Unanimously approved.

Operations Manager Jordan Behreandt was introduced by Harris. Behreandt reported on Hayward: May 12 Storm, Brushing, New and Pending Services; Ladysmith: Rejected Pole Changes Outs, New and Pending Services, Overhead Line Replacement, Line Rerouting, and Ladysmith Crew Assisting Hayward with Wrapping. Harris briefly reported on Emergency Load Reduction Plan with DPC. A motion was made by Lorence, seconded by Schara to **Approve the Operations Report** as presented. Unanimously approved.

Finance Manager Davis reviewed the April Operating Report. A discussion was held on rate increase due to uncontrollable expenses. A motion was made by Carow, and seconded by Reich to **Approve the Financial Report** as presented. Unanimously carried.

The Board took a break from 10:20 - 10:31 a.m.

Interim CEO Schaefer led a discussion on Broadband, LCO Project, Community Cents, Strategic Planning, DPC Annual Meeting, Time of Use, and Cost of Service Study, A motion was made by Schara seconded by van Doorn to **Approve the General Manager Report** as presented. Unanimously carried.

DPC Director Reich reported on DPC and reviewed DPC Board Actions and Finances. Reich also reported on Brownouts and Blackouts. A motion was made by Lorence, and seconded by Carow to **Approve the DPC Director Report** as presented. Unanimously carried.

Schaefer discussed the Load Forecast Study Summary. A motion was made by Carow, and seconded by Reich to approve the signing of the Load Forecast Resolution. Unanimously carried.

The Wisconsin Electric Cooperative Association (WECA) District Meeting was until next month.

A motion was made by Carow, seconded by Reich to approve the Signing of the Resolution to Appoint Kurt Harris as the certifier on behalf of the Cooperative for any and all data required by RUS Form 674. Unanimously carried.

Discussion held on 2022 Annual Meeting.

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Schaefer reviewed **Time of Use Rate (TOU)** Options. Discussion held. Board showed interest in pursuing the TOU rate. No action was taken.

Power Cost Adjustment (PCA) - Schaefer presented a calculation for PCA. Discussion held.

Delanie Orendorff from National Rural Electric Cooperative Association (NRECA) entered the meeting via a GoToMeeting at 11:42 a.m. and discussed how she would arrive at preparing a **Comprehensive Compensation Market Analysis** of 6 Jump River staff job positions plus the CEO/GM Position. Orendorff left the meeting at 12:11 p.m. Discussion held. Board consensus was not to proceed with sturdy.

The Board recessed for lunch at 12:27 and reconvened at 1:21 p.m.

**Member Appreciation Days** (MAD) – Discussion held. Board consensus was to have at all locations with a tentative date of August 10 (Jump River), 11 (Hayward) and 12 – Ladysmith from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Motion made by Carow, seconded by Reich to Authorize Harris as a Signatory at Superior Financial Bank (SFB). Unanimously carried.

Discussion held on online classes versus in person. Motion made by Reich, seconded by Kruk **Authorizing Amery to take NRECA Education** classes online as presented. Unanimously carried.

**Badger Unified Cooperative Services** (BUC) sale has been finalized. Jump River received return dividends of \$160,519.79 and Capital Credit Patronage of \$15,500.71.

Motion made by van Doorn, seconded by Schara to approve the Signing of the Resolution to Retain 2021 Non-Operating Margins. Unanimously carried.

Motion made by Lorence, seconded by Amery to Adopt the Amendment and Restatement of the Retirement Security and or 401K NRECA Pension Plan. Unanimously carried.

Next Regular Board Meeting date was set for Tuesday, June 28, 2022. The Dairyland Reservoir Dam Tour was set for the September 27, 2022.

A motion was made by Carow, and seconded by Reich to enter into Executive Session at 1:48 p.m. Unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Schara, and seconded by Reich to leave Executive Session at 2:19 p.m. Unanimously carried. Motion was made by Reich, seconded by van Doorn to take Action. Unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Schara, and seconded by Kruk to Adjourn the Meeting at 2:21 p.m. Unanimously carried.

Joe Lorence, Secretary-Treasurer

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