

MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
THE SOCORRO ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC.

July 27, 2016

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The Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of The Socorro Electric Cooperative, Inc., held on Wednesday, July 27, 2016 at 310 Abeyta Ave, Socorro, New Mexico.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 2:00 p.m. by Anne L. Dorough, President.

ROLL CALL

Secretary Mauldin called roll and reported those present and attending as follows:

TRUSTEES PRESENT: Anne L. Dorough, President
 Representative, District V

 David Wade, Vice-President
 Representative, District IV

 Prescilla Mauldin, Secretary/Treasurer
 Representative, District III

 Mary Lucy Baca, Trustee
 Representative, District I

 Leroy Anaya, Trustee
 Representative, District III

 Donald Wolberg, Trustee
 Representative, District III

TRUSTEES ABSENT: Judith Holcomb, Trustee
 Representative, District II

ALSO PRESENT: Joseph Herrera, General Manager
 Donna Wilkins, Administrative Assistant
 Robert Adams, Director of Communication & Public Relations
 David Montoya, Safety Compliance Officer
 Tony Lopez, Line Foreman
 Marilyn Madrid, Member Services Supervisor

SEC MEMBERS PRESENT: Jimmy Dorough, John Larson,

QUORUM

Secretary Mauldin declared a Quorum of Trustees present.

President Dorough explained Trustee Holcomb had a conflict and would not be present.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President Dorough led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

There being no additions or deletions to the Agenda, President Dorough approve the Agenda as distributed.

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

There being no corrections to the Draft Minutes for the Regular Meeting held on June 22, 2016, President Dorough accepted as distributed.

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PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no comments brought forth by SEC Members.

MANAGERS REPORT

Manager Herrera reported on the expenditures check register for the month of June, 2016 and, proceeded to answer questions posed by the trustees concerning the Expenditure Report.

President Dorough accepted the Expenditure Report for June, 2016 as presented.

Manager Herrera reported that all credit card statements with supporting receipts were made available to the Board of Trustee. There being no questions on the Credit Card Report for June, 2016, President Dorough accepted the Credit Card Report for June, 2016 as presented.

Manager Herrera reviewed, at length, the RUS Form 7 Report for June, 2016, and proceeded to answer questions posed by the Trustees.

President Dorough accepted the RUS Form 7 Report for June, 2016 as presented.

Manager Herrera concluded his report by updating the Board of Trustees' that the refinancing of RUS had been paid off on July 25, 2016. Manager Herrera also reported that Robert Adams and he had attended the Tierra Grande Annual Meeting and the Village of Magdalena council meeting to talk with members. Manager Herrera informed the Board that a thank you note had been received from a Foundation scholarship recipient which was made available for the Board.

COMPLIANCE AND ENGINEERING REPORT

SAFETY REPORT

Mr. Montoya reported about the compliance checks that he was doing at crew site visits and all was going well.

ENGINEERING REPORT

Mr. Montoya reported on the new line extensions happening in the West Area. Mr. Montoya also stated that there was still high volume of activity with site visits in the West Area.

President Dorough accepted the Compliance and Engineering Report for June, 2016 as presented.

OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE REPORT

CONSTRUCTION/MAINTENANCE REPORT

Mr. Lopez started by thanking the Board of Trustees from the line crews for the new equipment that was purchased to help with their troubleshooting.

Mr. Lopez reported that the crews were still doing a lot of tree trimming. Mr. Lopez stated that crews were very busy due to the fire in Escondida and the storms that caused power outages.

OUTAGE REPORTS

Mr. Lopez reported that a lot of the power outages were due to lightning storm that had happened.

Manager Herrera added that at the Tierra Grande Annual Meeting, a member had reported about a lot of blinks that were happening. Manager Herrera brought it to Mr. Lopez's attention which has already been addressed.

President Dorough accepted the Compliance and Engineering Report for June, 2016 as presented.

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MEMBER SERVICES REPORTS

ENERGY DELINQUENT REPORT

Ms. Madrid reviewed the Energy Delinquent Report for June, 2016.

Trustee Baca commented about the ease to get into the website.

SECTION V & XII DELINQUENT REPORT

Ms. Madrid also reviewed the Section V & XII Delinquent Report for June, 2016.

President Dorough accepted the Energy, Section V & XII Delinquent Reports as presented for June, 2016.

MEMBER CONCERNS

Ms. Madrid reported that there were no member complaint filed with the N.M.P.R. C. in June, 2016.

TRI-STATE REPORT

Trustee Wolberg, gave the Tri State Board of Directors activities Report for June, 2016.

President Dorough accepted the Tri-State Report for June, 2016 as presented.

NMRECA REPORT

Trustee Anaya reported about the N.M.R.E.C.A. meeting that was held.

President Dorough accepted the N.M.R.E.C.A. Report for June, 2016 as presented.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Dorough reported that the Trustee expense reports were made available and that everyone looks to be in line with our budget. President Dorough express her appreciation of the Trustees watching their expenses.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Secretary Mauldin reviewed the Member Application/Cancellation Report for June, 2016 as follows:

	<u>Month</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>
New Connects	0	23
Reconnects	51	515
Disconnects	229	681

Total Consumers Year to Date: 12,553

President Dorough accepted the Member Application/Cancellation Report for June, 2016 as presented.

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

Committee Chair Trustee Wade reported on the Committee meeting that was held June 29, 2016.

President Dorough accepted the Finance Committee Report as presented.

STANDING COMMITTEE

Committee Chair Trustee Anaya reported on the Committee meeting held July 6, 2016, with recommendations to the full Board for approval of two (2) Employees 200's Board Policies, one (1) Finance 300 Board Policy, and five (5) Service 400's Board Policies revisions of the following policies:

- POLICY 201-9 - ABSENCE WITH PAY
- POLICY 228 - DRIVER'S LICENSE REQUIREMENTS
- POLICY 307 - PATRONAGE CAPITAL RETIREMENTS

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- POLICY 401 - APPLICATION FOR SERVICE
- POLICY 404 - DEPOSIT
- POLICY 414 - SERVICE CONNECTION RULES AND REGULATIONS
- POLICY 415 - CUSTOMER'S EQUIPMENT
- POLICY 416 - SERVICE TO MOTORS

President Dorough accepted the Standing Committee Report as presented.

TRUSTEE REPORT

Trustee Baca reported on several educational topics that she learned at NRECA Director Training held at Myrtle Beach, South Carolina.

NEW BUSINESS

CoBank Candidate Vote

Manager Herrera reported that the CoBank Candidate information had been made available to the Board of Trustees.

Trustee Mauldin made a motion that the Board vote for Mark Pittman; motion seconded by Trustee Wolberg. Motion carried with Trustee Wolberg abstaining.

Selection of N.R.E.C.A. 2016 Regional Meeting Voting Delegate

President Dorough informed that were only those Trustees that were registered for the meeting could be delegates. President Dorough state that the four (4) Trustees available to be a delegate were President Dorough, Trustee Anaya, Baca and Holcomb.

Trustee Anaya nominate President Dorough as Voting Delegate with a second from Trustee Baca. Motion carried unanimously.

Manager Herrera informed the Board that an alternate Voting Delegate would also need to be nominated.

Trustee Baca nominated Trustee Anaya as alternate Voting Delegate with a second from Trustee Wolberg. Motion carried unanimously.

Consideration of Socorro County Fair & Rodeo Association Assistance

Manager Herrera provide to the Board a letter that had been received from Socorro County Fair & Rodeo Association asking for assistance to take down the lights from the poles at the Rodeo arena.

Trustee Mauldin made a motion to approve the request with the condition they execute our M.O.U agreement, seconded by Trustee Wolberg.

After further discussion, motion passed unanimously.

Consideration of First State Bank Credit Card Resolution

Manager Herrera informed the Board of the requirements by First State Bank to cancel Eileen Latasa's credit card and to provide one to Robert Adams.

Trustee Mauldin made a motion to approve the Resolution with a second from Trustee Wolberg. Motion passed unanimously.

Consideration of Round-Up® Program

Robert Adams provided the Board of Trustees background information about the Round-Up® Program.

Trustee Wolberg noted that a correction was needed on the Resolution, on the fourth paragraph. Trustee Wolberg stated it should say "SEC will notify the members" not "notified".

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Consideration of Board Policies

Trustee Mauldin made a motion to approve all Board Policies as recommended by the Standing Committee as presented; Trustee Wolberg seconded the motion. Motion passes unanimously.

Consideration of Capital Credit Estate Retirements

Manage Herrera reported that Cooperative General Attorney Bruce E. Wiggins Esq., had previously reviewed the Patronage Estate Capital Retirements as provided in the Trustees' Boardpaq:

ESTATE RETIREMENTS:

Macedonia O. Lesperance	\$	610.06
Barbara Ann McSmith (Gibson)	\$	573.05

JOINT ACCOUNT ESTATE RETIREMENTS:

Robert Thomas (Tommy) Lamay	\$	351.77
Edward Sorkau	\$	174.48
Valentine Daniel (VD) Trujillo	\$	708.03

Trustee Mauldin moved to approve the Retirement of Patronage Capital to the above-mentioned estates and joint accounts; motion seconded by Trustee Anaya and motion carried unanimously.

Consideration of Line Extension Contract

There were no Line Extension Contract open for consideration.

Consideration of Trustee Travel

Trustee Wolberg request Board approval to attend the N.M.R.E.C.A. Bar-B-Que.

The Board unanimously approved request for Trustee Wolberg to attend the N.M.R.E.C.A Bar-B-Que.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Trustee Wolberg moved to go into Executive Session to discuss individual employee matter; motion seconded by Trustee Anaya and motion carried unanimously.

President Dorough called for an Executive Session.

The Board adjourned to Executive Session at 3:13 p.m.

REGULAR SESSION

The Board returned to Regular Session at 3:30 p.m. and President Dorough stated that there was no action taken during Executive Session on the personnel matter.


SET DATE/TIME FOR REGULAR MEETING

After discussion, Trustee Mauldin moved to set the Date and Time of Wednesday, August 24, 2016 at 2:00 p.m. for the next regularly scheduled meeting; motion seconded by Trustee Anaya and motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further items open for discussion, Trustee Mauldin made a motion to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Trustee Wade. Motion pass unanimously.

President Dorough adjourned the meeting at 3:31 p.m.

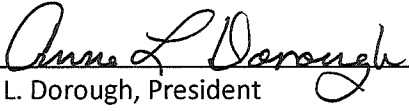


Prescilla Mauldin, Secretary/Treasurer

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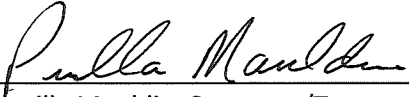
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APPROVED:



Anne L. Dorough, President

I, Prescilla Mauldin, do hereby certify that I am the Secretary of the Board of Trustees of The Socorro Electric Cooperative, Inc., herein called the "Cooperative" and the above is a true and exact copy of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on July 27, 2016. A Quorum of Trustees was present and acted upon throughout the meeting and none of the Minutes of the above have been rescinded or modified.



Prescilla Mauldin, Secretary/Treasurer