

White River Electric Cooperative
November 2019
Board Meeting Report

The White River Valley Electric Cooperative Board of Directors met in regular session Thursday, November 14th at 9:00 a.m. in the Branson office.

A monthly financial report was submitted by Tim Shafer, Manager of Finance and Office Operations. Shafer then executed several accounting documents with the Board.

JC Zalog, Manager of Information Technology discussed with the Board the topic of R3 Cyber Assessment. This assessment would be done in conjunction with NRECA. RC3 is focused on cybersecurity and developing tools and resources appropriate for small and mid-sized cooperatives. This program also provides collaboration, education, and training opportunities. To complete this application IT needs a letter of support from the Board of Directors. A motion was put forth to approve the letter of recommendation to be written to NRECA regarding the R3 Cyber Assessment. Motion carried unanimously.

Updates were given by the following; Communications & Member Engagement; Engineering & Development; Operations; Safety and Training.

Director Funk updated the Board regarding the Finance & Equity Management Committee meeting that was held on November 7, 2019. Funk presented to the board the motion to amend the previously adopted motion to Policy No: 4-17 Line Extension Policy. The revision to this policy was to change effective start date from January, 2020 to March, 2020. Changing this date simply allows WR more time to educate/inform members of these changes. Motion carried with a six to two vote.

President Hyatt brought before the Board for discussion the member requests from the Annual Meeting of Members. The first request of discussion was regarding WR to provide an annual report to the membership. The Board along with staff discussed the many topics which could be included in the Annual Report as well as how the report would be distributed to the members, and the cost associated with the different options. This topic will be placed on future agendas as the report is being prepared.

Next on the agenda is the request from the annual meeting regarding right-of way spraying; a request to ban all herbicidal spraying more than two feet away from a post. CEO Hamon presented the preliminary report to the Board of Directors, regarding the request. This request will be placed on a future agenda for discussion and vote.

Monthly reports on cooperative activities/programs were presented by the following: Chris Hamon, CEO; Angie O'Dell, Manager of Executive business Administration; KAMO, presented by Director Short; Sho-Me, presented by CEO Hamon; and Christiaan Horton, Legal. Board committee reports were given by Director Pat Funk and Director Jenny Whorton (Vice-President).

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the White River Valley Electric Cooperative Board of Directors is Monday December 23rd at 9:00 a.m. in the Branson office.

Respectfully submitted by:
Jenny Whorton
Vice-President