MINUTES OF REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF K.C. ELECTRIC ASSOCIATION

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of K.C. Electric Association was held in Hugo, Colorado on Tuesday, May 23, 2023, at the hour of 4:00 p.m. The meeting was called to order by President Kevin Penny. The following Members were present and constituted a quorum:

Kevin Penny

Dan Mills

Terry Tagtmeyer

Jerry Allen

Wayne Parrish

Eric Poss

Jim Michal

Bob Bledsoe participated via teleconference, and arrived in person at 4:35 p.m.

Also present were General Manager David Churchwell, Chief Financial Officer Bo Randolph, Member Services/IT Specialist George Ehlers, Operation Managers Paul Norris and Darren Fox, and Attorney Jeff Cure.

Approval of Agenda: It was unanimously approved to accept the agenda as presented.

<u>Approval of Minutes</u>: It was unanimously approved to accept the minutes for the regular meeting of the Board of Directors on April 25, 2023.

<u>Next Meeting Date</u>: Without objection, the date for the next regular meeting of the Board was confirmed for June 27, 2023, at 3:00 p.m. in Stratton, Colorado.

<u>Public Comments</u>: President Penny presented Mr. Parrish with his NRECA Director Gold Certificate.

<u>Disbursements Report</u>: The Disbursements Report of the Association for April 2023 was reviewed and, after the Board had an opportunity to review and ask questions, President Penny declared the Disbursements Report as an informational item requiring no Board action.

Emergency Items: Mr. Churchwell and Mr. Fox presented information on HSI Workplace Compliance Solutions, Inc. safety training and employee development online program. After review and discussion, the following resolution was unanimously approved:

"BE IT RESOLVED: That management is hereby authorized to sign a one-year contract with HSI Workplace Compliance Solutions, Inc. for \$4,440.00."

<u>Operational Policies</u>: Up for review were Policy #438, Bloodborne Pathogen Exposure Plan; Policy #503, Vandalism Reward; Policy #504, Donations and Contributions; and Policy #505, Member Complaints and Related Matters. After discussion and questions relating to annual employee BBP training, the following resolution was unanimously approved:

"BE IT RESOLVED: That Policies #438, #503, #504, and #505 are approved as presented."

<u>Grant Writing Assistance</u>: Mr. Churchwell discussed the Association hiring a grant writer to support preparing and submitting proposals for various funding opportunities that are currently available. After review and discussion, the following resolution was unanimously approved:

"BE IT RESOLVED: That management is hereby authorized to sign a contract with Verve Wired to assist the Association with preparing and submitting proposals for various funding opportunities."

<u>ICS Deposit Placement Agreement</u>: Mr. Churchwell and Mr. Randolph presented information on IntraFi Cash Service that is available through the First National Bank of Hugo-Limon. After review and discussion, the following resolution was unanimously approved:

"BE IT RESOLVED: That management is hereby authorized to sign the ICS Deposit Placement Agreement with the First National Bank of Hugo-Limon."

<u>Special Equipment Summary:</u> After review and discussion, the following resolution was unanimously approved:

"BE IT RESOLVED: That the Special Equipment Summary is hereby approved in the amount of \$23,705.28."

<u>Inventory of Work Orders:</u> After review and discussion, the following resolution was unanimously approved:

"BE IT RESOLVED: That the Inventory of Work Orders #482 in the amount of \$18,388.57 is hereby approved."

<u>General Manager's Report</u>: Mr. Churchwell reported on the following: the most recent Tri-State Board meeting, Tri-State budget meeting, transmission direct assignment, cost of service study, FERC activities, and gave a personnel update.

Staff Reports: Staff made the following reports and answered Board questions:

- a. Mr. Randolph presented a slideshow of the financial report for April 2023 and gave an audit update and discussed interest rates and the current state of the economy.
- b. Mr. Fox reported there were no First Report of Injury and no Near Misses in the past month. A recap was given of the safety meetings held in Stratton and Hugo.
- c. Mr. Fox discussed maintenance and construction projects completed in the past month including reject pole replacements in the Flagler area. Mr. Fox gave an update on Xcel's Power Pathway Project which will be built throughout our service territory.
- d. Mr. Ehlers referenced his reports in the Board packet which summarized the activities of Member Services and IT for the past month. Annual meeting preparations are being finalized, and progress is being made on the SCADA installation and ASP migration.

<u>CREA Report</u>: Mr. Mills referenced his report in the packet and discussed CREA's upcoming board meeting which will be held at MCREA's office in Fort Morgan.

<u>WUE Report</u>: Mr. Mills referenced his report in the packet and reported that sales continue to be strong, and ahead of budget.

<u>Tri-State G&T Report</u>: Mr. Bledsoe referenced his report in the packet and discussed the June Tri-State board meeting.

<u>Other Business</u>: Mr. Penny recognized retiring Operations Manager Paul Norris and thanked him for his 31 years of service and dedication to the K.C. membership and wished him good luck with the next chapter of his life.

Adjournment: Mr. Penny declared the meeting adjourned at approximately 6:46 p.m.

APPROVED:

President

Secretary-Treasurer