

**MINUTES  
TRI-COUNTY ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC.  
MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
OCTOBER 17, 2022 @ 3:00 P.M.**

**PRESENT:** Bobby Dodd (President)  
Donnie Waldrep (Vice President)  
George Webb (Secretary/Treasurer)  
Junior Smith  
Catherine Bethea  
Ann Herring  
Benny Bishop  
John Cruce  
Johnny Edwards (Absent)

Dylan Rivers (General Counsel)

Eileen Herndon (Minute Taker)

**STAFF:** H. Julius Hackett, CEO  
John Tuten, Vice President of Operations  
Jeff Brewer, Vice Present of Engineering  
Eileen Herndon, Vice President of Corporate Services  
Wendell Williams, Vice President of Finance

**GUEST:** None

Mr. Donnie Waldrep gave the invocation.

**AGENDA APPROVAL**

On motion made and seconded:

**The Agenda for the October 17, 2022, Board Meeting was approved.**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**PREVIOUS MINUTES**

On motion made and seconded:

**The Minutes of the September 12, 2022, Board Meeting were approved.**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**COOPERATIVE MEMBER CONCERNS**

None.

## **REPORT ON NRECA REGIONAL MEETING**

A report was given on the NRECA Regional Meeting held October 10 – 12, 2022 at Hollywood, Florida by Trustees Donnie Waldrep, George Webb, Catherine Bethea, and Ann Herring, and the CEO Julius Hackett.

## **FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT**

A report on the Finance Committee meeting was given.

1. The cooperative's loans and line of credit loans with Natural Rural Utilities Cooperative Finance Corporation (CFC) and CoBank were reviewed and discussed.
2. The August 2022 Financial and Statistical Data (RUS Form 7) was reviewed and discussed.
3. The cooperative's Fiber-to-the-home (FTTH) broadband project costs year-to-date were reviewed and discussed.

## **POLICY COMMITTEE REPORT**

A report on the Policy Committee meeting was given.

On motion made and seconded:

**Approval of Revised Policy 523 "Military Leave" was approved effective immediately.**

**MOTION CARRIED**

Proposed Revised Policy 109 "Trustee Orientation" was presented, and the board was asked to review and study the proposed changes to said policy for possible action during the November 2022 board meeting.

## **BUILDING AND LAND COMMITTEE REPORT**

A report on the Building and Land Committee meeting was given.

## **CEO REPORT**

The 2022 Annual Meeting was discussed; information included passage of the amendments to the cooperative's bylaws (588-yes votes / 55-no votes); member attendance; registration by district; etc.

The year-to-date progress of FTTH project construction was reviewed.

Miscellaneous items included pending retirement of employee; Hurricane Ian; and the cooperative's Annual Safety Day event.

## **CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS**

On motion made and seconded:

- a. approval of October 2022 WPCA Resolution \$0.02800/kWh as recommended by the Finance Committee**
- b. approval of RUS Form 7 for August 2022 as recommended by the Finance Committee**
- c. approval of list of new members from September 12, 2022 – September 128, 2022, as recommended by the Building and Land Committee**
- c. Acknowledge and acceptance of August 2022 Work and Accident Reports and System Outage Reports as recommended by the Building and Land Committee**

**MOTION CARRIED**

## **ATTORNEY REPORT**

The attorney had no legal matters to discuss.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 4:50 P.M., October 17, 2022, 2022.

Bobby Dodd  
President

George Webb  
Secretary