

STEARNS ELECTRIC ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS MINUTES

FEBRUARY 2018

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors of Stearns Electric Association was held on February 22, 2018 at 1:00 p.m. at the Stearns Electric Association Headquarters in Melrose, Minnesota

Senior Accountant Cindy Anderson reviewed financial and statistical information with the Board, noting January was an overall good month.

Manager of Administrative Services Vicky Herkenhoff provided an update on personnel items including the two Apprentice Lineman positions have been secured.

Ms. Herkenhoff updated the Board on the OSHA Investigation for the August 2017 incident. A request for further information on specific training of employees on the use and visual inspection of Unit 12. The information was located and our attorney provided it to OSHA.

The 2018 Incentive Plan was reviewed with the Board and Ms. Herkenhoff shared the significant changes and focused her comments on the Safety portion of the plan. There will also be focus on the frequency of outages, known as SAIFI. The SAIFI measurement will allow us to see that our strategic plan initiatives of focusing on system operations and maintenance is providing benefit to our members.

Manager of Engineering Matt O'Shea provided an update on the Cost of Service study. Results of this study will be shared by Power Systems Engineering at the March 29, 2018 Board Meeting to discuss rate recommendations.

Manager of Operations Glenn Blommel provided an update on current activities of the crews along with an update on ACRT. Mr. Blommel informed the Board that this year the Co-op would have an unannounced RESAP (Rural Electric Safety Achievement Program) inspection; this happens once every three years with an option to be announced or not. MREA will lead the inspections of our buildings, with our crews, and visit a substation. System reliability numbers were also shared with the Board.

Joseph Christensen (District 2), Bruce Wing (District 5), and Joel Vogel (District 9) were recommended to the Board to serve a three-year term on the Operation Round Up Trust Board. A motion was carried motion to approve these appointments.

Next Meeting: May 24, 2018

