

STEARNS ELECTRIC ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS MINUTES

MAY 2019

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors of Stearns Electric Association was held on May 30, 2019 at 1:40 p.m. at the Stearns Electric Association office located in Melrose, Minnesota.

Early in May, CEO Doege sent a formal letter to the Great River Energy Member Management Group and leadership outlining Stearns Electric's preference for GRE wholesale energy, capacity, embedded cost, and transmission rates.

The Stearns Electric Cooperative articles of incorporation and bylaw review has begun with a thorough review. Attorney Scott Dymoke and three Board members will be assisting in the review. A red-lined version of both documents is planned for Board recommendation in the fall followed by a member-owner vote in conjunction with the 2020 Board member election and Annual Meeting.

Director of Finance Cindy Anderson, reviewed financial and statistical information with the Board for April 2019. A motion to approve the financials subject to audit carried.

Phone and address listing changes related to the change in St. Joseph business operations were presented. The long term strategy is to move to only one 800 number which allows for more simplified, streamlined management of phone numbers.

Manager of Administrative Services Vicky Herkenhoff suggested Thursday, April 2, 2020 as the 83rd annual meeting of the Cooperative. A motion to accept the date carried. In an effort to align the Member Resource Committee with our core messages, the MRC has been renamed the Member Engagement Group. Members are needed for the 2019-2020 MEG year.

Manager of Operations Glenn Blommel provided an update on current activities of the crews and contractor progress. The crews have been very busy installing new services in the Sartell and St. Joseph areas.

Next Meeting: July 25, 2019

