

CLOVERLAND ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE  
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF  
THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2017  
SAULT STE MARIE, MI

Call to Order

A Regular session of the board of directors of Cloverland Electric Cooperative was held on Monday, November 13, 2017 at 9:30am., 725 East Portage Ave in Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan.

Chairperson Monroe called the meeting to order and lead the board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The board recited the Mission Statement.

Roll Call

Roll Call was taken and the following were present: Chairperson Monroe, Vice Chairperson Ron Provo, Secretary/Treasurer Charlie Litzner, Directors Newland, Sawruk, Bonacci, St. Onge, Legault, and LaLonde. President and CEO Dan Dasho was also present. Cooperative Attorney Chuck Palmer joined the meeting after lunch.

Review and Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Director Newland, supported by Director Bonacci to accept the minutes of the October board meeting. All directors voted in favor and the motion passed.

Agenda

A motion was made by Director St. Onge, supported by Vice Chairperson Provo to approve the agenda. All directors voted in favor and the motion passed.

Board Concerns

The board discussed the member and board member concerns.

Public Comment

Dr. Peter Mitchell and Rod Nelson from LSSU joined the board meeting to discuss The Center for Freshwater Research and Education and the details surrounding their proposal.

A motion was made by Director St. Onge, supported by Director Sawruk to enter into the agreement as reflected in the document presented by Dr. Mitchell, November 13, 2017, an agreement of \$450,000 of in kind services pending successful negotiations of bullet point # 4; "Cloverland Electric Cooperative will continue to provide electricity and water to the CFRE in the east building, as it has to the ARL, at no cost", also striking bullet point

#2; "Cloverland Electric Cooperative will find the geotechnical study of the Alford Park area that was offered at an earlier date, not to exceed \$50,000." A Roll call vote was taken, all directors voted in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

NRECA Market Research Services presented the Member Satisfaction Survey results to the board of directors.

#### President and CEO Report

President Dasho presented his report to the board at an earlier date.

#### Finance, Power Marketing and PSCR

CFO Robert Malaski entered the board meeting to discuss the financials.

A motion was made by Director St. Onge, supported by Director Newland to approve the Estate Retirements in the amount of \$851.16. All directors voted in favor and the motion passed.

The CFO discussed the Construction Work Plan proposal with the Board of Directors. Director Litzner addressed the board with the statement that if you approve the construction work plan and the cost surrounding it, then you have to understand that the rates need to resemble those increases.

A motion was made by Director St. Onge, supported by Director LaLonde to begin the RUS paperwork for the construction work plan, with a \$40 million dollar proposed amount; with the final details of the Construction Work Plan and the final budget amount to be presented to the board at a later date. All directors voted in favor and the motion passed.

#### Consent Agendas

The board discussed the consent agendas which were previously distributed to the board of directors.

A motion was made by Director St. Onge, supported by Director Legault, to approve the proposed director candidate schedule. All directors voted in favor and the motion passed.

A motion was made by Director St. Onge, supported by Director Sawruk to approve the donation of \$2400.00 to Clark Township Volunteer Fire Company emergency services. All directors voted in favor and the motion passed.

#### Chairperson of the Board Report

Chairperson Monroe and Secretary/Treasurer brought up the Board Policy 108 B to see if an amendment be added to allow a new draft of 108.

A motion was made by Director Bonacci, supported by Director St. Onge to have Cooperative Attorney Chuck Palmer investigate a policy of allowance for a director to become a candidate for political or appointive government office. All directors voted in favor and the motion passed.

Attorney's Report

Cooperative Attorney Chuck Palmer presented his report to the board of directors.

Old Business

There was no old business.

New Business

Director St. Onge asked what was located in the west end of the Hydro Plant and what future use could that area provide.

Executive Session

A motion was made by Director St. Onge, supported by Vice Chairperson Provo to enter into executive session.

Next Regular Meeting of the Board

The next Regular meeting of the board will be on Wednesday, December 20, 2017.

Vision Statement

The board then recited the vision statement.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Director St. Onge, supported by Director Bonacci to adjourn the meeting. All directors voted in favor and the motion passed.



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Secretary/ Treasurer, Charlie Litzner