

JO-CARROLL ENERGY, INC. (NFP)
December 12, 2019
Board/Budget Meeting Minutes Summary

The regular board meeting of Jo-Carroll Energy, Inc. (NFP) was held at the cooperative's headquarters in Elizabeth, Illinois on Thursday, December 12, 2019 at 9:00 A.M.

A Safety Moment was provided by Director Russ Holesinger.

Members from The Galena Territory Association (GTA) Board discussed a letter that was written to the Board of Directors for their review that stressed the importance of having fiber for the GTA community. The GTA board members also noted the attraction of having fiber brings to the community and the potential increase in property values.

Chairman's/AIEC Report – Chairman Senn discussed new Illinois laws and their impact on the cooperative.

Policy 134 – A motion was made, seconded and carried unanimously to approve Policy 134, as written.

Financial Operating Report – YTD operating margins through October were approximately \$3.9 million vs. a budgeted amount of approximately \$2.0 million. The current equity of the cooperative is 25.74% compared to 23.12% this month last year.

Donations Report – V.P. of Human Resources Merri Sevey discussed the 2019 donation totals and the donations process for 2020. Sevey noted that the cooperative provided approximately \$35,000 in donations across the service territory, in addition to annual gifts made to local fire, EMS, and food pantries. Sevey also noted that all donations are made with unclaimed capital credits.

Board Issues and Action Items

A motion was made, seconded and carried unanimously to approve the 2020 Budget.

A motion was made, seconded and carried unanimously to approve the 2020-2022 Deferred Revenue Resolution.

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A motion was made, seconded and carried unanimously to approve a Member request for a DPC revolving loan.

Director Per-Diem, per board policy 105A, was discussed and will be followed as written.

A motion was made, seconded and carried unanimously to approve the Northern Natural Gas letter of credit.

NRECA and NRTC voting delegates were selected.

The 2020 Board Meeting dates were approved.

External Relations Update – Chris Allendorf, Vice President of External Relations & General Counsel, discussed the upcoming legalization of marijuana in Illinois and what the cooperative is doing to prepare for it. Allendorf provided an update on the activities of Northwest Illinois Economic Development (NWILED), noting President and CEO Mike Casper will be joining the board.

Executive Session - A motion was made, seconded and carried unanimously to go into executive session at 11:11 A.M. A motion was made, seconded and carried unanimously to come out of Executive Session at 11:28 A.M.

Action items as a result of Executive Session – None.

Adjournment

Chairman Senn adjourned the meeting at 11:28 A.M.