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**MINUTES OF MEETING  
Board of Directors  
October 27, 2020**

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The regular Board of Director's Meeting for San Luis Valley Rural Electric Cooperative, Inc. was held on Tuesday, October 27, 2020. Directors present were Carol Lee Dugan, (president), Keenan Anderson (vice-president), Stephen Valdez (secretary), Scott Wolfe, Cole Wakasugi, and Wade Lockhart. Also participating were Gregg Kampf (corporate attorney), Loren Howard (chief executive officer), JoAn Waudby (chief financial officer), and Michelle Trujillo (human resources officer/assistant corporate secretary). Staff observers included Jennifer Alonzo (marketing/communications coordinator), Carol Silva (human resources specialist), Shawn McKibbon (operations superintendent) and Terry Daley (engineering manager). Kip Nagy participated via video/audio conference.

**Call to Order**

Carol Lee Dugan called the meeting to order at 9:32 a.m.

**Approval of Agenda**

Motion to approve the agenda as presented was unanimously carried by those present.

**Corporate Review**

Loren Howard reviewed the submitted report. He informed those present that the front entry doors remain closed to public access until further notice. This will be reevaluated mid-November. Discussion was held regarding the complainant focus group meetings, the CDOT project to bring electricity and fiber over the west side of Wolf Creek Pass and the impacts of recent COVID exposures to daily operations.

**Financial Review**

The submitted financial report was reviewed and discussed. It was noted that SLVREC sold a service vehicle, currently seeing small growth in new services and the mills were higher this month.

**Approval of Minutes**

Motion to approve the minutes as presented was unanimously carried by those present.

**Safety Report**

The submitted report was reviewed and discussed. (Copy attached hereto and made a part hereof.) Incident Command training was discussed.

**Agreements for Purchase of Power**

The current list of Agreements for Purchase of Power was reviewed and discussed. (Copy attached hereto and made a part hereof.)

**Break:** 10:33 AM

**Reconvene:** 10:51 AM

**Corporate Attorney Report – Gregg Kampf**

The submitted report was reviewed. Kampf further reported on the CREA attorney's meeting referencing the potential of a cooperative governance bill to be presented next year, the possible elimination of the security sleeve enclosed with annual meeting voting ballots and the future for

electronic voting. He also provided brief updates on the La Plata and United Power cases against TS; El Paso County's amended regulations regarding rights-of-way and existing power lines along roadways; and the San Isabel case pertaining to serving the Black Hills Solar Farm.

## **BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

### **Colorado Rural Electric Association – Stephen Valdez**

Valdez reported that the virtual meeting will be held on October 28, 2020 and the silent CARE Auction ended on 10/27/2020.

### **Western United – Stephen Valdez**

Valdez reported that WU continues to have strong performance and growth even with what appears to be a marginal slowdown in the oil and gas industry. The board approved a \$1.7M financing plan for the St. George expansion.

Loren Howard showed the board of directors the Hendrix Tap Wire that SLVREC will be using for the 1.5 mile Lucky 7 Project west of South Fork to the Moon Valley area and possibly the Zapata area in the future.

### **Tri-State – Scott Wolfe**

Wolfe reviewed the submitted report and stated that the board of directors passed an initiative to reduce the average wholesale rate down to 70 mills by 2023. There is a special board meeting on 11/2/2020 to discuss partial requirements members, Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws review.

Lunch: 11:54 AM

During the lunch hour, the board of directors listened in on a webinar regarding communicating rate changes with members.

Reconvened: 12:50 PM

### **Unfinished Business**

Loren Howard presented current and historical data regarding SLVREC system peak demand times and Penitente Solar Plant production.

Discussion was held regarding the partial requirements contract. Loren Howard suggested that he study the benefits of SLVREC entering into Tri-State's Partial Requirements Contract option and will bring information back to the next meeting.

### **New Business**

None

### **Future Dates:**

Budget Work Session is scheduled on December 16, 2020 at 9:30 a.m. for the review of 2021 budget. Regular board meeting is scheduled on December 17, 2020 at 9:30 a.m.

### **Board Comments:**

Board member asked a question regarding A2 TOD Rate Schedule and benefits to an average user. It was explained that the average customer does not have the right type of meter to track on and off-peak times. To do a comparison, the billing data has to be pulled in from the 15-minute incremental usage data and plugged into a spreadsheet according to times of consumption. It is a time-consuming

process and customers have to be willing to change their individual usage patterns to see a benefit to this A2 TOD rate.

**Executive Session**

Motion to enter into executive session at 1:33 p.m. for the discussion of personnel was unanimously carried by those present.

Motion to reconvene in public session with no action taken at 1:47 p.m. unanimously carried by those present.

**Motion to Adjourn**

With no other business to conduct, a motion to adjourn the meeting at 1:49 p.m. was made and unanimously carried by those present.

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Carol Lee Dugan, President

  
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Stephen Valdez, Corporate Secretary

  
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Michelle Trujillo, Recording Secretary