BLUE RIDGE MOUNTAIN ELECTRIC MEMBERSHIP CORPORATION

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

March 12, 2024

The Board of Directors of Blue Ridge Mountain Electric Membership Corporation (BRMEMC) met in Regular Session on March 12, 2024. Board President Roy Perren called the meeting to order at 6:02 pm.

The invocation was led by President Perrin, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by President Perrin.

The following Directors were present as noted by Board Secretary Lance and were in attendance during the Board Meeting:

Roy Perren, President/Chair Danny Henson, Director Gene Mason, Director Bert Rogers, Director Cory Payne, Director Jeff Ledford, Director Gayland Trull, Director Ray Cook, Director Jack Lance Jr., Director

The following Staff were recognized by the Chair and were present during Regular Session:

Allan Glidewell, General Manager
Amanda Holdaway, Director of Finance & Accounting
Travis Lunsford, Director of Operations
Daniel Frizzell, Director of Engineering
Erik Brinke, Director of Administrative Services
Sharon Kyser, Director of Member Services
Alex King, Manager of Broadband Services
Ryan Anderson, Director of Information Systems
Kelley Crawford, Manager of Communication

Upon request of President Perren, the meeting agenda for March 12, 2024 was considered. A Motion to approve the Agenda was made by Director Rogers, Seconded by Director Henson and approved by unanimous vote.

Upon request of President Perren, the minutes of the Board Meeting of February 13, 2024 was considered. A Motion to approve the February Board Meeting minutes was made by Director Ledford, Seconded by Director Trull and approved by unanimous vote.

Conflict of Interests:

None

Director Payne read report on behalf of Finance Committee regarding Cooperative Finances.

Director Rogers read report on behalf of Policy and Public Relations Committee. The Committee discussed updating Policy Bulletin 536 concerning Work Rules. No action was taken at this time. The update was deemed necessary by the Committee to clarify specific prohibitions on alcohol, intoxicants and illegal drugs. The Committee approved an amendment to Policy 536 and said amendment was brought before the full Board. Following discussion, the Board approved the amendment to Policy 536 by unanimous vote.

Manager Glidewell provided the following reports to the Board: Safety Reports, including Safety & Loss Control Report and Safety Training, Reliability Report, including the Outage Summary, Financial Report, Activity Report, Engineering Report, Operations Report, Broadband Services Report, Member Services Report and the Contact Summary & Member Interactions Reports. Erik Brinke provided the Economic Development Report.

Member Comments:

None

Old Business:

None

New Business:

Manager Glidewell brought before the Board a need to amend the Budget to reallocate funds for the purpose addressing funding concerning the Fiber Electronics portion of the Budget. The reallocation will result in a net zero change in the overall Budget. A Motion to accept staff recommendation to shift funds within the budget was made by Director Henson, seconded by Director Cook and approved by unanimous vote.

Manager Glidewell brought forward the need to vote on allowing for an increase to the BRMEMC contract with Survey & Ballot due to an increase in BRMEMC Membership rolls. The increase in rolls has led for the need in a slight increase in the contract price. After discussion, a Motion to agree to the increase in the Contract to reflect updated Membership rolls was made by Director Rogers, seconded by Director Ledford and approved by unanimous vote.

Manager Glidewell brought forward to the Board a proposal concerning a USDA REAP Solar Grant opportunity to fit the BRMEMC headquarters with Solar panels. After discussion, a

Motion to move forward with the Solar Grant Project for the BRMEMC Headquarters was made by Director Henson, seconded by Director Ledford and approved by a vote 7-0 with Director Payne abstaining.

Reports from Directors:

None

Other Business:

None

Announcements:

None

Executive Session

At 7:12 pm, President Perren directed a brief intermission in the Meeting. At 7:27 pm, a Motion to enter Executive Session made by Director Trull, Seconded by Director Ledford and approved by unanimous vote.

The Board came out of Executive Session at 9:31. With no further business, Director Trull made a Motion to adjourn meeting and said Motion was seconded by Director Henson and was approved by unanimous vote. The meeting was adjourned at 9:31 pm.

Secretary of the Board of Directors, BRMEMC.

ATTEST: The undersigned EMC officers attest that the foregoing minutes of the Board Meeting on the 12th day of March 2024, were approved in Regular Session of the Blue Ridge Mountain EMC Board of Directors on the 9th day of April 2024.

Roy Perion, Board President

Jack Lance Jr., Secretary