

Berkeley Electric Cooperative
Board Meeting
April 24, 2023
Minutes

The Berkeley Electric Cooperative Board of Trustee's meeting was held **Monday, April 24, at 1:00 P.M.** at the Moncks Corner Headquarters.

The meeting was called to order by Vice Chairman Sanders and Mr. Gourdine gave the invocation and we stood to honor the flag and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

The following Trustees were present:

Connie Shuler	Henry H. Chavis, Sr.	Robert Vandross
Willis Sanders	Denver Lee Clayton	Robert "Bob" Jenkins
Sam Gourdine	Sheila Powell	

Chairman Wayne DeWitt attended via telephone. President & CEO Michael S. Fuller, Executive Administrator Ashley Edens, and the following staff: VP of Finance Joel Stevens, VP of Member Services Amy Langdon, VP of Information Technology Bryan Reece, Manager of Application Support Dawn Pascoe, Director of Distribution Operations Thomas Harvey, Manager of System Metering and Protection Brent Bass as well as General Counsel John B. Williams were in attendance. Scott Finley with NTS along with Blake Zorne with Landis and GYR were here to do a presentation for the Board and answer any questions regarding the AMI project.

Vice Chairman Sanders called for approval of minutes from the March board meeting which was held on March 27, 2023. Upon motion by Mrs. Shuler, seconded by Mr. Chavis, and unanimously passed; it was

RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees hereby approves the minutes of the March 27, 2023, as presented.

Executive Session-

The Vice Chairman Sanders then called for an Executive session and upon motion by Mr. Clayton, seconded by Mr. Chavis and unanimously passed, the Board went into Executive Session. A contractual matter was discussed. Upon a motion by Mr. Chavis, seconded Mrs. Shuler and unanimously passed the Board came out of Executive Session.

2023-2025 Street Light Repair Contract-Mr. Harvey

Mr. Harvey said that the recommendation is to award the 2023-2025 Street Light Repair contract to Gregory Electric Company, Inc. in the amount of \$770,000.00. Upon a motion by Mr. Clayton, seconded by Mrs. Powell and unanimously passed; it was

RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees hereby approves awarding the 2023-2025 Street Light Repair contract to Gregory Electric Company for a maximum of \$770,000.00 dollars.

Financial Reports- Mr. Stevens

Mr. Stevens reviewed the financial reports from February 2023. Mr. Stevens reviewed portions of the statement of operations and the balance on Form 7. The governance disclosure form was presented and will be posted on our website by May 1st.

Committee Reports

Central Meeting Report – Mr. DeWitt

Mr. DeWitt stated there was a special called board meeting on March 30, 2023. Mr. DeWitt gave a brief overview of the meeting.

ECSC Meeting Report-Mr. Sanders

Mr. Sanders stated that the ECSC board meeting was on April 6th. Mr. Sanders stated that the 2022 audit information will be posted on ECSC by May 15th. He discussed several other agenda items that were discussed in the board meeting.

CEEUS Meeting Report-Mr. Gourdine

Mr. Gourdine was not able to attend the last CEEUS board meeting. Mr. Gourdine gave a brief overview of the sales from the beginning of the year to March 2023.

President/CEO Reports-Mr. Fuller

Mr. Fuller stated that the 5K Race was a huge success this year. We were able to give out \$42,000 in grants to the teachers. We had 66 grant applicants.

Mr. Fuller discussed an opportunity to partnership with Home Telecom on their broadband project.

Attorney Report-Mr. Williams

Mr. Williams discussed a few legal cases that he is working on. Mr. Williams briefed the Board on member complaints in regard to a new meter being installed on home. Mr. Williams forwarded a certified letter from member to each board member. There was no action taken.

New Business-

The Chairman then called for new business. There was none.

Old Business – None.

There being no further business to come before the Board, a motion was made to adjourn.

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H. Wayne DeWitt, Chairman

Handwritten signature of Connie Shuler in blue ink, written over a horizontal line.

Connie Shuler, Secretary