

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of Northeast Louisiana Power Cooperative, Inc. was held at 1411 Landis Street, Winnsboro, Louisiana at 9:00 a.m., Monday, August 23, 2021.

Directors present were Thad H. Waters, Jr., Alton L. Welch, Jr., Richard Strong, Weldon Fitch, Charles Hixon, Ronald Pippin and Steve Pylant. Others present were Jeff Churchwell, General Manager, Nora Pylant, Accountant and Jim Berry, Attorney.

Mr. Fitch called the meeting to order. Mr. Churchwell led the invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance to the American flag.

Mr. Fitch reviewed the NELPCO operating agreement with Volt Broadband, LLC. Mr. Hixon made a motion to adopt the operating agreement as presented, Mr. Strong seconded the motion. After much discussion, Mr. Fitch called for a vote. Mr. Pylant, Mr. Welch, Mr. Strong, Mr. Hixon, Mr. Pippin and Mr. Fitch voted in favor of the motion. Mr. Waters voted against. The motion passed.

Mr. Churchwell reviewed the current timeline for the 2021 annual meeting. Mr. Hixon and Mr. Welch expressed their opinion to postpone the meeting at this time. After some discussion, it was agreed that the meeting would be postponed.

Mr. Berry exited the meeting.

Mrs. Pylant read the minutes of the July 29, 2021; the minutes were approved as read.

Mr. Churchwell gave the safety report for July 2021, there were no reported accidents. Mr. Churchwell notified the Board that NELPCO was awarded \$199,000 in the IWTP grant for the 2021-2022 year.

Mrs. Pylant presented the Manager's Report and Income Statement for July 2021. Mrs. Pylant reviewed the rate comparison for July 2021.

Mr. Churchwell informed the Board that the NRECA Regional meeting will be held in Dallas, TX, October 19-21, 2021.

On motion made by Mr. Strong, seconded by Mr. Welch and carried, none opposed, the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLVED, that the following capital credits totaling \$ 16,700.55 be paid on behalf of deceased members: *(Listing on file at Winnsboro office)*

On motion made by Mr. Hixon, seconded by Mr. Welch and carried, none opposed, the following applicants totaling 68 members be accepted as new members of Northeast Louisiana Power Cooperative, Inc.: *(Listing on file at Winnsboro office)*

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

s/ Weldon Fitch, President

s/ Charles B. Hixon, Secretary