MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF CHERRY-TODD ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC.
May 27, 2025

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of Cherry-Todd Electric Cooperative, Inc., was held on the 27th day of May 2025.

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 10:11 am by Chairman Bordeaux.

Roll Call: Directors Fullerton, Brickner, Tucker, Frederick, Bordeaux, Valburg, Meek, and Antoine were present. Also present were Attorney Jessica Hegge and Manager Tim Grablander.

Agenda: Motion to approve the agenda by Frederick, seconded by Tucker. Carried unanimously.

Minutes: Motion to approve the April Board Meeting Minutes by Meek. Seconded by Antoine. Motion carried unanimously.

Financial Report: Office Manager Colleen Farley joined the meeting at 10:15 am and presented the financial report. Motion by Meek to approve the 2024 Allocations in the amount of $1,045,720.93 as presented in the Board packet. Second by Valburg. Motion carried unanimously.

Executive Session: Chairman Bordeaux declared the Board in executive session at 10:26 am. The Board exited executive session at 11:00 am. Motion by Frederick, seconded by Antoine, to provide funding for legal assistance to Manager Grablander in obtaining a restraining and/or protection order in state and tribal court. Motion Frederick, seconded by Brickner, instructing Attorney Hegge and Office Manager Farley to work together in responding by letter to a member's concerns regarding capital credits. Motion made by Antoine, seconded by Frederick, instructing Attorney Hegge to contact Todd County School District by letter notifying them of an employee acting without authority on their behalf, and research the possibility of filing a complaint with the school district.

Manager's Report: Manager Grablander presented his report to the Board.

Check Audit: Bordeaux and Fullerton presented on the check audit, and there were no further questions from the Board.

Basin Electric Delegate Caucus: Motion by Meek, seconded by Fullerton, to designate Brickner as the voting delegate and Fullerton as the alternate for the Caucus. Carried unanimously.

Staff Meeting Reports: Line Superintendent Mark Iyotte Jr. entered the meeting at 12:00 pm to present his report to the Board. Iyotte discussed recent storm damage, proposed building sites and costs, and further suggested changes to the aid to construction policy. Iyotte left the meeting at 12:20 pm.

Member Services Manager Chris Rahn entered the meeting and presented his report. Rahn discussed his progress on the vehicle asset discussion from the April Board Meeting. Rahn exited the meeting at 12:35 pm.

Membership Preference in Hiring Policy: Motion by Antoine to create a policy that employees are required to be members of the Cooperative and live within the service territory. Second by Tucker. There was discussion among the Board. Amendment to the original motion by Frederick to change required to "all other qualifications being equal, hiring preference will be shown to members of the Cooperative." On the roll call vote Frederick, Valburg, Tucker, Brickner, Antoine, and Meek voted in favor. Fullerton voted against the motion. Bordeaux abstained from the vote. Motion carried. Attorney Hegge was instructed to write a draft policy for review and approval by the Board.

Work Orders, Membership Applications, Membership Refunds, Stock Water Wells Contracts, Etc.: Motion by Valburg and seconded by Antoine to accept the stated new memberships, cancelled memberships plus refunds of said membership fees, refund capital credits allocated on the books to heirs or legatees of deceased patrons, stock well, irrigation contracts, and work order resolutions as presented in the Board packet. Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting Reports: Brickner reported on the NREA meeting.

New Business: There was no new business.

Motioned by Brickner, seconded by Fullerton, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 12:53 pm.

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Approved:

President

Attest:

Secretary