

**JO-CARROLL ENERGY, INC. (NFP)**  
**Board Meeting Minutes Summary**  
**July 18, 2017**

The board met on Tuesday July 18, 2017, at the Jo-Carroll Energy Headquarters. The following is a summary of the meeting activities. The Agenda, as amended, and the Consent Agenda were approved.

**Chairman's Report** – Chairman Senn discussed how quickly technology is changing and benefitting members, noting that more and more people are using connected devices and with that, higher internet speeds are required, further emphasizing the need to bring broadband and fiber to rural America.

**Dairyland Report** – Director Mattingley discussed the Dairyland Report. Mattingley informed the board that his first meeting serving on the Governance Committee will be July 19<sup>th</sup>.

**AIEC (Association of Illinois Electric Cooperatives) Report** – No report was given due to the upcoming AIEC Annual Meeting that will be held in Springfield, IL on July 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup>. During the AIEC Annual Meeting, the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association (NRECA) will be recognizing our very own lineman, Kurt Krohmer, for his work helping to electrify rural areas of Bolivia. The trip was part of the annual international volunteer effort coordinated by the NRECA, which was also sponsored by the AIEC.

**APGA Report** – Director Carroll provided an update on regulatory matters being followed by the American Public Gas Association (APGA). Carroll will be attending the APGA Annual Conference from July 23-26.

**PPI Report** – Director Hallendorff reported on Prairie Power Inc. (PPI's) most recent generation figures and provided operational highlights from Prairie State Units 1 and 2.

**Monthly Committee Review**

- a. **Policy 109**- Policy 109 was approved with no changes.

**CEO's Report** - President and CEO Mike Casper announced that Jo-Carroll Energy Members now have the option for an e-bill vs. a paper bill. In addition to his written report, Casper informed the board of potential dates for open board meetings, as well as operational highlights of Jo-Carroll Energy.

- a. **Financial Operating Report** – Casper reported that the Cooperative's operating margins for the year to date were approximately \$1.4 million, compared to a budgeted amount of approximately \$1.7 million. The current equity of the cooperative is approximately 24.82%, compared to 23.65% at the end of 2016. By general consent, the board moved to file the financial operating report with the auditor.

- b. **Tech Update** - Casper provided information on the topic of “smart” homes and the peak-shaving benefits of managing loads through Cooperative Information Systems (CIS) and Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI) technology.
- c. **Senior Vice President and Assistant General Manager Report** – Kyle Buros, Senior Vice President and Assistant General Manager, discussed Jo-Carroll Energy’s Strategic Initiatives and their development.
- d. **External Relations Update** – Chris Allendorf, Vice President of External Relations & General Counsel, provided the board with an update on matters concerning the State of Illinois, noting that a budget and revenue bill have been passed over the Governor’s veto. However, a comprehensive school funding bill still needs to be passed. The Federal Government is allowing up to 11 weeks to pass various appropriations bills; most committees are proposing cuts. Allendorf also updated the board on Tri-County Economic Development Association’s (TCEDA’s) upcoming events and projects.

## **Board Issues**

- a. **Discounted Estate Capital Credit Retirements- Discounted Estate Retirements Approval**– A motion was made, seconded, and carried unanimously to approve the discounted estate retirements, as presented.
- b. **Voting Delegate/Alternate Delegate for NRECA 2017 Meeting (Region 5 & 6)**- The Voting Delegate and Alternate Voting Delegate were selected for the NRECA 2017 Region 5 & 6 Meeting.
- c. **Rate Policy 801** – A motion was made to approve the updated rate policy for Fiber Services Standard Packages, which was seconded and carried unanimously.

**Executive Session-** A motion was made, seconded and carried unanimously to go into executive session at 10:30 a.m.

**Out of Executive Session-** A motion was made, seconded and carried unanimously to come out of Executive Session at 11:45 a.m.

### **Consideration of Matters discussed in Executive Session –**

1. Pursuant to discussion in executive session, a motion was made, seconded and carried unanimously to authorize the President and CEO to enter into a contract for an insurance policy, as presented.
2. Pursuant to discussion in executive session, a motion was made, seconded and carried unanimously to authorize the President & CEO to facilitate and effectuate the transfer of the Cooperative’s existing Interstate Power &

Light/Alliant load to Dairyland Power Cooperative, as Class A membership, effective on April 1, 2018.

**Reports-**

Reports were heard on: The Audit Committee Meeting and the Annual Meeting Planning Committee Meeting.

**Other Business-** None.

**Adjournment**

Chairman Senn adjourned the meeting at 11:50 A.M.