

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES
HELD ON
May 23, 2024

The meeting was called to order by Board President, Robert Baca, at 11:07 a.m.

1. ROLL CALL AND DETERMINATION OF QUORUM

Present: Robert Baca, President
 James Ortiz, Vice President
 Virginia Mondragon, Secretary/Treasurer -via telephone
 Joe C de Baca, Trustee
 Samuel Ramirez, Trustee

 Les Montoya, General Manager
 Irinea Valdez, Administrative Assistant

- 2. INVOCATION** – Robert Baca, Board President, led us in prayer.
- 3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** –The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
- 4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA** – The Agenda for today’s meeting was presented. A motion was made by Gina Mondragon to approve the Agenda, Seconded by Sam Ramirez. Motion carried.
- 5. RECOGNITION OF GUESTS** – Frank Lopez, Workforce Integration Network (WIN). Instructor providing training for youth 18-25 in basic-building trades and health care in a Van throughout North Central New Mexico.
- 6. Introduction of New Employees** – Lizette Bernal – Cashier, customer service and Alan Gomez -Journeyman Lineman.
- 7. SAFETY REPORT/MINUTES** – Les Montoya presented and went over the minutes for the Safety Committee meeting held on May 22, 2024, in Boardroom.
- 8. ACTION OF REGULAR MEETING MINUTES HELD ON April 25, 2024** – The Board Minutes for the meeting held on April 25,2024 were presented for review and approval, after review Gina Mondragon, motioned to approve the minutes as presented. James Ortiz seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- 9. APPROVAL OF NEW MEMBERSHIPS (MORA 12 – PECOS 23)**- A total of thirty-five memberships were presented. After review, a motion was made by Gina Mondragon, seconded by Sam Ramirez, to approve all new memberships. Motion carried.

10. MANAGER'S REPORT – Manager's report was approved along with donations, with a motion by James Ortiz and seconded by Joe C de Baca. Motion carried.

11. Delinquent report – AS of March 2024 there were \$317,178 total delinquents and as of April 2024 there were \$162,155 total delinquents.

12. RUS FORM 7 –

1. The month ending April 30, 2024 shows a positive margin for the month We are at \$1,086,660 in Revenue, \$1,008,350 Total Expenses, and \$110,567 in Depreciation. Interest on long term debt \$24,021 and Interest on other expenses \$25,307. Total cost for the month \$1,008,350. Net Operating margins interest \$5,654. Operating Margins \$78,311 for year-to-date. Tier .69% YTD and 4.51 for the Month.

13. Outage report –

2. April 2024 - A total of 616 consumers/members were affected for a combined total of 63.50 hours of outage for the Month of April.

14. FINANCE REPORT –A motion to approve the Finance report was made by James Ortiz and seconded by Sam Ramirez. Motion carried.

15. TRI-STATE TRUSTEE REPORT – Robert Baca, Tri-State Trustee, reported on the May 2024 meeting. Some topics covered included the following:

- Merger from Plains to Tri-State
- Discussed operation performance of finance
- End of the Colorado Legislature Agenda, went over highlights
- Had a re-organization for all the committees and Robert got reelected as chairman for the external affairs and is still the alternate will get to sit in the executive committee
- Filing the new 6% rate increase on May 30, 2024
- United is no longer with Tri-State
- Tri-State applied and qualified for the New Green Energy
- Discussion on Bringing Our Own Power and Resource
- Jerry Fetterman from Empire is stepping down from the board
- Talked about the trip to Washington

- Barry Ingle's last day is June 1, 2024
- Leroy Anaya's brother passed a way from Socorro

NMREC TRUSTEE REPORT – James Ortiz, NMRECA Trustee, reported no meeting until May 28, 2024. No State- wide in June. Next meeting will be in July

16. ON-GOING BUSINESS-

- Presentation of 2023 Audit Report by Bolinger, Segars, Gilbert & Moss LLP – by Jarrod Bryant. Mr. Bryant presented the 2023 Aduit Report on MSMEC's financial statements as of December 31. 2023. He went over the Balance sheet, Income statements, Patronage Capital and results of Cash Flow for the year- end in accordance with the Accounting Principles generally accepted by Government Auditing Standards.
- Tri-State Generation and Transmission, Inc., and MSN Solar invoices for the month of May were approved. Motion made by Gina Mondragon and seconded by James Ortiz.

NEW BUSINESS –

- Proposal presentation – Lucky Project Update – Shawn Black of Ameren. Proposing to build a transmission line beginning in Clayton and traversing west and then south along I-25 corridor to Las Vegas. The transmission line Is being built to transmit renewable energy produced in the Clayton. The Project will parallel approximately 13 miles of MSMEC's existing distribution line. MSMEC will work with Ameren to co-locate of its distribution line on to Amermenline.
- ATV/UTV Operations and Maintenance of Company Owned Unit Policy approved by James Ortiz and seconded by Sam Ramirez
- Approval request for the Federated Rural Electric Insurance Exchange Resolution. Approved by James Ortiz and Seconded by Sam Ramirez.

17. MSMEC EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION –

- CoBank Sharing Success Application, Friends of El Valle De Anton Chico Library**
An application was submitted by MSMEC to participate in the Sharing Success Program to support the efforts of the Friends of El Calle De Anton Chico Library. The total project request is for \$5,000.00. Approval of the application would require for MSMEC to contribute \$2,500.00 to this effort. CoBank will award \$25000.00. Motion made to approve by Sam Ramirez and Seconded by Joe C DeBaca. Motion was carried.

18. CORRESPONDENCE -

19. INFORMATION

20. Calendar of Events

- a. June 27, 2024, next Board Meeting
- b. June 29, 2024 Annual Meeting for MSMEC
- c. July 16-19 Energy Directors Conference in Boston, MA
- d. August 27-29, Co Bank – 2024 Energy and Water Executive Forum Salt Lake City, Ut

21. EXECUTIVE SESSION- Sam Ramirez motioned to go into session and seconded by James Ortiz. Motion carried.

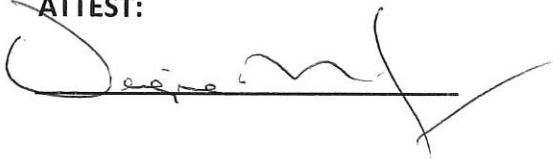
- a. Personnel Matters
- b. Update on Union Matters
- c. Litigation Matters

Gina Mondragon motioned to adjourn the Executive Session, Joe C De Baca seconded, motion carried. No action taken.

22. OTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD – None

23. ADJOURNMENT – A motion to adjourn today's meeting was made by James Ortiz and seconded by Sam Ramirez. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at approximately 3:40 p.m.

ATTEST:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'James Ortiz', written over a horizontal line.A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Joe C De Baca', written over a horizontal line.