

MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
BARC ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE

A meeting of the Board of Directors of BARC Electric Cooperative was held on January 19, 2022, at Highland Belle.

Directors Swisher, Sandridge, Quantz, Ford, Black, and Lewis were present, together with the interim Chief Executive officer and the General Counsel of BARC Electric Cooperative.

No member was present, in person or virtually, to address the Board.

A brief executive session was held. No action was taken as a result of the executive session.

Old Dominion Electric Cooperative did not hold a board meeting this month, therefore there was no report for Mr. Swisher and Mr. Botulinski to present this meeting.

Mr. Sandridge will be attending the VMDA board meeting Monday, January 23 and Tuesday, January 24, 2022 will have full report next month.

Mr. Lewis did update the Board on the success of the Virginia Agribusiness Council's Annual Legislative Appreciation Banquet held January 13, 2022. Describing it as a good networking opportunity with region legislative delegates.

Mr. Botulinski presented the CEO Report. He reported both Connects and Electric had a successful month, consumers continue to give positive feedback regarding broadband access. He did advise that the Country wide supply chain shortages continue to pose a threat this year in conjunction with cost increases on materials. Mr. Botulinski advised the board in regards to employee KPIs to stay as is until a permanent CEO is named. He reminded the members registration for the NRECA annual meeting is due. He also brought to the board the need to nominate a representative for the Tarheel Electric Membership Association (TEMA) annual meeting. Mr. Johnson served as past representative, was nominated by Mr. Black to continue as delegate, motion was seconded and approved by all members. Bids returned on the 2022 fiber work and suggest further research on most feasible option before approving.

Mr. Botulinski provided the Communications Report, updating on recent marketing activities and use of social media, especially giving praise on updates given to consumers during the winter weather that affected our service area over the weekend. He reported the relaunch of BARC Podcasts this year.

Ms. Perdue called in via Microsoft Teams to present the Finance Report. Year-to-date margins are \$1,570,549 over the budget due to revenue and low costs. The monthly margin was \$520,115. Equity was 25.30% and long term debt was 48.19% of total assets. CFC short term and long term loans went through. BARC Connects had another positive month, sales up 2% from last month. Reliable Energy had \$2,723 in profit.

Mr. Botulinski presented the Engineering and Operations Report. Downtown Lexington projects are now complete. Due to snow in the area, underground construction has been delayed until warmer

temperatures. He reports the success of right of way clearing in assisting crews and minimizing outages in the service area.

Mr. Botulinski gave the Subsidiary Report. There were 51 new subscribers enlisted in December, and one lost commercial. The total subscriber account as of January 16, 2022, is 3530, including 178 commercial subscribers. New subscribers for both residential and commercial accounts are above goal again this month. There are no changes with Solarize BARC, which still has seven active consumers resulting in almost \$20,000 in referral earnings to date.

Mr. Botulinski provided the Safety Report. There were no lost time accidents, bringing the total number of hours worked since the last lost time accident to 508,824. There were no motor vehicle accidents. The report was approved by motion duly made and seconded. He advised the board on the creation of a safety committee to hold the Cooperative accountable. The board moved to approve the safety committee upon motion duly made and seconded.

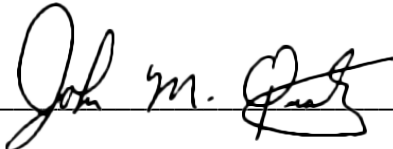
The minutes for December 2021 were approved by the Board upon motion duly made and seconded.

New members, cancellations, estate refunds, and accounts payable were all approved as presented upon motion duly made and seconded.

A brief executive session was held after which no action was taken.

There being nothing further to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,


Secretary

Approved:

