

MINUTES OF THE 66<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL MEETING  
OF THE MEMBERS  
OF THE EAU CLAIRE ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE  
OCTOBER 11, 2003

The 66<sup>th</sup> regular annual meeting of the members of the Eau Claire Electric Cooperative was called to order by the President, John Bilderback, at 10:00 A.M. at the Eau Claire Indoor Sports Center in Eau Claire, WI on October 11, 2003.

QUORUM

The secretary informed the president that at least 50 members had registered, which constituted a quorum. The president then declared the meeting open for business.

HOUSEKEEPING

The president went through some basic housekeeping items with the membership and read the rules of the annual meeting.

TELLERS

The president called the roll of the tellers and the following were present: Douglas Mueller, Evelyn Townsend, Delmar Travis, Jane Sather, Donna Odegard, Marvin Brott, Fred Cleasby, Terence Sanford. The tellers were instructed take charge of the ballot boxes. The tellers had met prior to the meeting to select a chairman.

CALL AND NOTICE AND AFFIDAVIT OF MAILING

The Notice of Meeting and the Affidavit of Mailing were published and posted at the registration counter. A motion was made to dispense with the reading of the Notice of Meeting, the Affidavit of Mailing and the Minutes; this motion was seconded and carried. These documents are affixed to these minutes as Exhibits A & B, respectively.

MINUTES

Minutes of the October 5, 2002 annual meeting were published in the 2002 Annual Report. It was moved, seconded and carried that the minutes be approved as published in the 2002 Annual Report.

## DIRECTOR NOMINEES

The attorney, John D. Hibbard, introduced each director-nominee for the three vacancies on the board of directors. Each nominee was given a chance to speak to the members for two minutes. Mr. Hibbard called for additional nominations from the floor and there being none offered, a motion was made, seconded and carried to close nominations. Other members were then offered the chance to speak on behalf of the candidates for a time period of two minutes each with a total maximum time of ten minutes. No one asked to speak.

The attorney, John D. Hibbard informed the membership of a recent vacancy on the Board of Directors in district #8.

## CLOSE BALLOT BOX

The tellers were instructed to begin counting ballots. A motion was made, seconded and carried to close the ballot box at 11:30 A.M.

## OFFICERS' REPORTS

The President's and Secretary-Treasurer's annual reports were noted as being published in the October 2003 issue of the WEC News. The reports of the officers were approved upon motion duly made, seconded and carried.

## REPORT FROM WECA

David Jenkins, statewide manager of the Wisconsin Electric Cooperative Association, addressed the membership. Mr. Jenkins presented three 2002 WEC News awards to the cooperative as follows; First place in Human Interest stories, and Honorable Mention in Photography, Honorable Mention in the Co-Op Information category. Mary Kay Brevig, Manager of Communications and Public Relations for Eau Claire Energy Cooperative, was called upon to accept the awards.

## ANNUAL REPORTS

Members were notified that the Annual Reports had been published in the October 2003 issue of the WEC News magazine. Copies of the President's and Secretary-Treasurer's annual reports, along with the CEO's annual report, are in the 2003 Annual Meeting File.

## QUESTION AND ANSWER SESSION

The CEO, John W. Luehrsen, introduced a new format for the meeting and opened the

floor to the membership by holding a question and answer session between the members, Directors and ECEC staff. To begin the session, there were two questions read and answered from the question box. The floor was then opened to member questions presented to the Directors and ECEC staff. Concluding the session, President John Bilderback asked for any other questions from the members and there being none, closed the question and answer session.

#### MEMBER SURVEY

Members were reminded to complete the survey they had been given when they registered for the meeting. Upon completion of the survey, they were given a special gift of a \$1 gold coin.

#### ORGANIZATIONAL BOARD MEETING

The president announced that the Organizational Board Meeting would be held 15 minutes after the report of the tellers.

#### ADJOURN

The President stated that prizes would be drawn after the business meeting adjourned. The President asked for any other business and there being none, declared the meeting adjourned at 11:04 A.M.

#### PRIZES AWARDED

The CEO invited the members to stay for lunch after the prizes were awarded. Lunch was served by staff of the Eau Claire Indoor Sports Center, and the Busy Bees 4-H Club.

#### YOUTH BICYCLES

Two names of children twelve or younger were drawn to receive one boy's and one girls' bicycle.

#### \$50 BEST BUY GIFT CARD

One child's name was drawn to receive the gift card.

#### TOY TRUCK BANKS

Four children's names were drawn to receive toy auger and bucket truck banks.

LIFE-SIZE BRETT FAVRE PACKER CUT-OUT

One child's name was drawn to receive the Green Bay Packer player cut-out.

FANNY HILL DINNER THEATRE

One member's name was drawn to win the dinner theatre prize for two.

HIGGINS TRAVEL VOUCHERS

Two member's names were drawn to win the two travel voucher prizes.

GREEN BAY PACKER FOOTBALL GAME TICKETS

One member's name was drawn to win two tickets to the November 10, 2003 Green Bay Packer football game.

TELLERS' REPORT

The teller chairman, Douglas Mueller, reported the results to the Secretary/Treasurer, David Myren. The following voting results were reported to the membership:

District No. 2	Robert Gadwill re-elected
District No. 4	Lamoine Myers re-elected
District No. 6	David Myren re-elected

Each of these directors will serve for three (3) years.

Total Ballots Cast: 180

Of the above ballots, 11 were absentee ballots.

A signed copy of the teller's report is in the 2003 Annual Meeting File.

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David Myren, Secretary