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**MINUTES OF THE
JEMEZ MOUNTAINS ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC.
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
FRIDAY, MAY 31, 2024 at 9:00 AM
HERNANDEZ, NEW MEXICO**

1. Call to Order

This meeting of the Jemez Mountains Electric Cooperative, Inc. Board of Trustees was called to order by Board President Dennis Trujillo at 9:14 a.m. on the above-cited date, at the JMEC Headquarters, 19365 S.R. 84/285, Hernandez, New Mexico.

2. & 3. Following the Pledge of Allegiance, roll call confirmed a quorum as follows:

Trustees Present:

Dennis Trujillo, President
Manuel Bustos, Vice President
Marcie Martinez, Secretary
Dolores McCoy, Treasurer
Henry Roybal, Asst. Secretary/Treasurer (via phone until 11:02 am then in person)
Lucas J. Cordova (left at 3:25pm)
Elias Coriz (left at 3:35pm)
Dennis Gallegos
Marissa Maestas-Muller
Danny Velarde
John Ramon Vigil (via Webex from 11:00am – 11:35am)

Trustee(s) Excused:

None

JMEC Staff Present:

Tom Beamon, Interim General Manager
Geraldine Romero, CFO
Tina Trujillo Archuleta, Manager of Administration and External Affairs

Others Present:

Joseph Yar, JMEC General Counsel
Shawna Tillberg, Paralegal (via Webex)

4. REMARKS FROM JMEC MEMBERS –

JMEC Member Bill Boas discussed an ongoing project at Sandia Labs involving solar energy and vegetative growth.

The goal is to demonstrate the technical viability of this energy generation method, capable of powering pumps and charging batteries, and potentially connecting to JMEC's grid if desired.

5. CONSENT AGENDA AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

ACTION: Motion to approve agenda and table the minutes until the board has had an opportunity to review them by Mr. Bustos. Seconded by Danny Velarde. Unanimous.

6. BUSINESS AND FINANCIAL REPORT

Mr. Beamon reported on the Finance Committee meeting held yesterday. He noted that the financials through April were closed, highlighting a consistent 1.6 modified current ratio indicating tight liquidity management.

ACTION: Ms. McCoy reported that finance committee met yesterday, and approved March finances. A motion was made by Ms. McCoy to approve March finances, which was seconded by Mr. Bustos. The motion passed unanimously. **7. OTHER REPORTS**

a. President's Report

Mr. Trujillo stated that he just wanted to thank Ms. Martinez on her hard work on the GM search.

b. Statewide Report

Mr. Bustos presented that the Statewide's Annual Meeting was held this week, and it was very successful. The speakers were excellent, and we maintained the current leadership structure.

c. Tri-State Report

Mr. Coriz presented that the TriState meeting took place on May 7-8th. Tristate is developing a plan to make a larger part of its generation fleet renewable by 2030, with future plans to interconnect with the eastern part of the country. Wildfire mitigation was another important topic.

d. Building and Grounds Committee

Mr. Velarde reported on meetings held on May 3rd and May 10th.

Mr. Velarde emphasized the importance of hiring a project manager for future large-scale projects to ensure proper oversight.

e. Safety Committee

Mr. Velarde reported that the committee met on May 3rd. He recommended reaching out to statewide or TriState for insights on handling safety.

Mr. Coriz mentioned contacting TriState for resources and intends to follow up.

Mr. Velarde discussed the idea of providing safety training for all employees and revitalizing pre-job safety briefings. He proposed that a safety project coordinator present their briefing to the Safety Committee, which would then report back to the board.

Ms. Martinez agreed on the need for better communication with employees. Mr. Beamon emphasized the importance of rebuilding the safety cooperative's culture, demonstrating care for employees, and allowing the new GM to build his team.

Mr. Coriz praised the informative statewide session involving a panel of presenters including Mr. Beamon, where they discussed reorganization and employee utilization, supporting the idea of moving people to roles where they can be most effective.

Mr. Cordova emphasized the need to invest in communication tools and equipment to show employees they are heard. All board members agreed.

8. INTERIM GM REPORT

Ski Basin Recovery Efforts: Mr. Beamon gave an update on coordination efforts with the Santa Fe National Forest.

Metering and Billing Strategic Issue: Mr. Beamon gave an update on continuing efforts to develop and deploy an advanced metering system and the benefits JMEC will realize from the investment.

- Updating meter propagation study and developing a meter delivery schedule, including an enhanced warranty.
- The plan involves installing poles and power per the updated propagation study, with implementing a Meter Data Management (MDM) software to move towards automation.

9. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Ms. Martinez made a Motion to enter into Executive Session, Mr. Velarde seconded the Motion. The Motion passed unanimously at 1:44 p.m. Ms. McCoy made a Motion at 3:20 p.m. to come out of Executive Session, the Motion was seconded by Mr. Coriz. The Motion passed unanimously.

10. NEW BUSINESS

ACTION: Ms. Maestas-Muller motioned to approve Proposed Bylaws and put them into Enchantment Magazine. The motion was seconded by Ms. Martinez. The majority of the Board voted yes, Dennis Gallegos voted no.

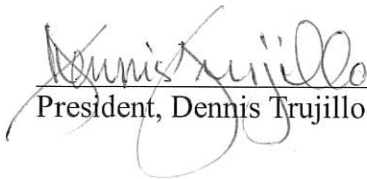
Mr. Velarde stated that the annual meeting votes will be balloted, but that it hasn't been vetted yet.

Ms. McCoy is going to work with Tina to notice out the Annual Meeting.

11. ADJOURN

Having completed the agenda and with no further business to come before the Board, President Trujillo adjourned this meeting at 3:45 p.m.

APPROVED:



President, Dennis Trujillo



Secretary, Marcie Martinez

