

March 2024 Board Meeting Highlights

- The March regular board meeting was held on Wednesday, March 27, 2024 at 9 AM. Absent: None.
- Staff members present were General Manager, Jeremy Huhnstock, Dale Schwagel, and Karen Lupkes.
- General Manager Huhnstock called the meeting to order and facilitated the reorganization of the board to elect a board president.
- Board officers elected: Diekmann-President, Frisch-Vice President, Glynn-Secretary, Marks-Treasurer.
- The agenda was approved.
- The minutes of the February regular board meeting were approved.
- The February check register was approved.
- Discussed the East River and Basin Electric video reports.
- Diekmann gave an East River Board Report.
- Diekmann reported on the MREA Annual Meeting.
- Huhnstock presented the General Manager's Report, which included:
 - Provided a Basin Electric update.
 - Provided an East River update.
 - REED Fund review.
 - NRECA update.
 - MREA and MN legislative update.
 - SDREA and SD legislative update.
- Lupkes gave the Office Manager's Report, which included:
 - February 29, 2024 accounts receivable balances were reviewed.
 - A list of new members was reviewed.
 - Update on Electrical Dept. and Generator Program.
 - East River power bill and Basin's financial reports reviewed.
 - Annual audit is scheduled for the week of May 13.
- Reviewed and approved the February 2024 Financial Report.
- Schwagel presented the Operations Report per written report. Items discussed included:
 - Provided a crew update.
 - Reviewed upcoming and completed projects.
 - 1,900 poles will be tested in SD this year.
 - Carr's Tree Service plans to begin trimming trees in areas of SD in April.
 - Traverse Electric was awarded the MN Governor's Work Place Safety Award.
 - Reviewed our Safety Program.
 - Outages were reviewed.
- Received an update on the new facility.
- Received an update on the old properties for sale.
- Reviewed our annual meeting held on March 21, 2024.
- Accepted the 2023 Service Reliability Report.
- Reviewed Policy 106.
- Reviewed Policy 109.
- Approved a donation to send MN line workers to assist with electrifying Guatemala.
- Reviewed upcoming meetings and attendees.
- Meeting adjourned.