



## **Board Summary August 27, 2020**

The meeting was held by video conference due to COVID-19.

The board unanimously approved a resolution recognizing retiring Executive Assistant Cherry Jordan and thanked her for her excellent work over the past decade.

CEO Greg Miller presented his written report and highlighted the following: proactive calls to delinquent accounts; new construction and maintenance projects; pole inspections; lead times on materials and equipment; final Great River Energy COVID relief payment; July sales favorable to budget; approval by the PUC of the Integrated Distribution Plan and COVID-19 updates.

Vice President Nelson provided an update on the advanced meter upgrade project: meter and LCR change outs are taking place and all of the communication network has been installed.

Vice President of Regulatory Services Doug Larson reported on the rate case, saying all filings have been submitted and new rates should be applied starting with October 1 consumption.

Great River Energy directors Van De Bogart and Schreiner referred the board to the written reports and highlighted the following: cancellation of Washington D.C. meetings and the need for steam and water contract buyouts relating to Blue Flint Ethanol Plant due to the closure of Coal Creek Station.

The board approved recommendations from the Scholarship and Donations Committee relating to the 2020 and 2021 donations to schools and students in the amount of \$210,000.

The board approved an extension to the construction contract for Northern Pipeline.

Election Committee Chair Bill Middlecamp provided updates on the 2021 Election Committee meeting.

Director Stacy Miller provided an update on the MN Rural Electric Association.

Attorney McGrane reported on completed policies and reviewed items for the upcoming virtual board retreat in October.

The board convened the annual meeting of Midwest Energy Services.

\*This document contains a summary of the more significant board agenda items. Members may review the detailed meeting minutes at Dakota Electric's offices.