TRI-COUNTY ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC. St. Matthews, South Carolina

Minutes of the Annual Meeting November 21, 2020

The Annual Meeting of the members of Tri-County Electric Cooperative, Inc. (hereinafter called the Cooperative) was held at the headquarters office of Tri-County Electric Cooperative, Inc. in St. Matthews, South Carolina on Saturday, November 21, 2020 at 2:00 p.m., with registration beginning at 9:00 a.m. The Business Meeting was live streamed from Tri-County Electric Cooperative's Facebook page.

President, Barbara Weston, called the 80th Annual Meeting of the Membership to Order. Following the Call to Order, Mrs. Weston invited the Members to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance. Following the Pledge of Allegiance, Mrs. Weston gave the Invocation.

Barbara Weston then welcomed the members viewing the meeting to the 80th Annual Meeting and introduced the board members and CEO. The meeting was then turned over to Attorney John Felder, who announced that a quorum was registered. The Notice of Annual Meeting was posted in the South Carolina Living Magazine and the Minutes of the 2019 Annual Meeting were posted to the Cooperative's website. There were no objections, therefore, the Minutes of the Annual Meeting of November 23, 2019 were approved.

Nominating Committee Chairman, Fred Stabler, gave the 2020 Nominating Committee Report, which listed the following nominations by the Nominating Committee:

District 1 Section A Ida L. Dixon
District 2 Section A Gary F. Geiger
District 3 Section B James R. Dantzler

Attorney John Felder stated that the Trustees were running unopposed and declared they be elected by acclamation. Mr. Felder then administered the Oath of Office to the Trustees.

Gary Geiger, Treasurer, gave the Treasurer's Report.

John Felder then called upon Chad Lowder, CEO, to give the CEO's report. In his comments, Mr. Lowder reported that Tri-County Electric Cooperative is focused on providing a way to provide Broadband Internet service in the rural areas. The Cooperative is committed to providing high speed internet to every member over a 3-year project. He also reported that the Cooperative is involved in bringing additional jobs to our area through economic development efforts. Additionally, he reported that the Cooperative is committed to making sure that our rates are fair to all of our members. In closing, Mr. Lowder thanked all Tri-County employees and stated that they are all committed to serving the members.

John Felder then expressed appreciation to the Board, Management, Staff, and Employees for their hard work.

There was no unfinished business.

There was no new business.

As there was no further business, the meeting adjourned at 2:17 p.m. Following adjournment of the business meeting, prize drawings were held. The grand prize, a 2004 Ford F-150, was won by Eva Keller of St. Matthews.