

Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Members of Northfork Electric Cooperative, Inc. Sayre, Oklahoma

Held on the 17th day of August 2019, at the Sayre City Park
Sayre, Oklahoma

The 80th Annual Meeting of the members of the Northfork Electric Cooperative, Inc. was held at the Sayre City Park on Saturday, August 17, 2019.

Registration of members began at 9:00 a.m. Each cooperative member received a stainless knife and a Northfork cap.

Children through sixteen (16) years of age received a free one (1) dollar coin, when registered at the Annual Meeting. Children under five (5) years old were put into a drawing for a girls and boys toddler bike. (Parents must be members of NFEC.) The winners of the toddler bikes were boys: Cohen Weeks & girls: Elizabeth Kenner. Children age's six (6) to ten (10) were put in a drawing for a girls and boys bicycle. The winners of the bicycles were boys: Charles Kenner & girls: Brooklynn Lovett. Teenagers age's eleven (11) to sixteen (16) were put in a drawing for a drone and a pair of beats headphones. The winner of the drone was Ambrya Vidaurri and the winner of the beats headphones was Ciara Cotton. Informational booths set up were NFEC's Smart Hub Booth and Pay-As-You-Go, Western Farmers Electric, LifeSpring Home Health, and Air Evac. Others included Sayre Senior Citizens and All Terrain Parts.

A drawing for the grand prize, a Kubota Z100 Commander from NFEC & Lindley Equipment, a Generac Portable Generator, a 65-inch UHD TV from Techline, an HP Laptop from Ionix, a \$500 cash prize from R&R Powerline, and a Traeger Pellet Grill from Great Plains Bank was conducted and the names were held to be announced at the end of the drawing. The winners of the grand prizes were:

Kubota Z100 Commander- Marlin Johnston
Generac Portable Generator- Justin Rosser
Samsung 65-inch UHD TV- Everett Fairless
HP Laptop-Roger Parr
\$500 Cash- Mike Carnahan
Traeger Pellett Grill- Aracele Ramirez

The Sons of the Sage provided entertainment during registration.

President Jimmy Taylor announced a quorum of the members were present (9:30 a.m.), having registered in sufficient number to call the Annual Meeting to order and to begin the transaction of business of the cooperative, pursuant to the notice given for the meeting.

Mr. Charles Hickey gave the invocation and led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

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Mr. Copeland welcomed NFEC members to the 2019 Annual Meeting. He spoke to the members regarding their ownership of the cooperative.

Mr. Copeland gave an overview of the business that would be conducted during the annual meeting including: district elections and approval of an amendment to the bylaws.

Scott Copeland reminded the membership of the cooperative's new ways of communication. NFEC technological advancements will allow communicating with our membership more than ever.

Mr. Copeland introduced Lisa Dailey as NFEC's new Chief Executive Officer (COO).

Mrs. Lisa Dailey, introduced Northfork's 2019 Youth Tour Winner Callee Lester. Breanna Woodard was unable to attend the meeting. Mrs. Dailey expressed appreciation for the opportunities this program provides for our youth and explained how the program works. She stated that the Youth Tour program is an investment in our area youth and provides opportunity for our young people to interact and learn about the political process.

Callee Lester gave a brief account of her favorite memories on the trip and thanked the cooperative members for making the trip possible. She expressed appreciation to NFEC for allowing her the opportunity to experience the history and culture in Washington, D.C.

Callee thanked the lineman that were out at her house at 1:00 a.m. restoring her electricity after a storm had come through last night.

Mr. Copeland introduced Western Farmers Electric Cooperative (WFEC) personnel and discussed the electric vehicle they are promoting.

Mr. Copeland expressed thanks to Guy Hylton and the City of Sayre for preparing the park for the meeting. He also thanked Dyers BBQ for the great meal they provide.

Mr. Copeland also expressed appreciation to Beckham County & Roger Mills Commissioners along with their employees for their willingness to always help out in storms.

Mr. Copeland thanked the Martin-Dugger Funeral Home for the use of their tents.

Representative Todd Russ – District 55, OK, Senator Darcy Jech – District #26, and Congressman Frank Lucas were recognized.

Mr. Copeland introduced the booths present: All-Terrain Parts, Air Evac, and the Senior Citizen Center.

Mr. Copeland reviewed the names of the Nominating Committee and the Credentials Committee. He then introduced special guests, NFEC retirees, Retired Trustees, spouses. He then recognized the NFEC employees.

Mr. Taylor introduced the Board of Trustees and their wives.

Mr. Taylor entertained a motion to dispense with the reading of the Notice of Meeting. Motion made, seconded and unanimously carried to dispense with the reading of the Annual Meeting Notice.

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Mr. Taylor called upon the members for consideration of the minutes of the August 18, 2018 Annual Meeting. Motion made, seconded and unanimously carried approving the minutes as prepared and drafted.

Mr. Brendon Atkinson reviewed the methods by which trustees are nominated and elected to their position. Northfork's board of seven (7) Trustees are elected for a three (3) year term. The Nominating Committee's report was presented showing Place number one (1) Bandy Silk, and Place number two (2) Larry Smith were nominated by the Nominating Committee.

Mr. Atkinson explained that the duly appointed Nominating Committee which consisted of Greg Bachman, Johnny Brown, Mike McGuire, Brandon Easter, Jimmy Wayne Smith, Larry McConnell, and Don Head met on May 3rd, 2019 for the Nominating Committee meeting. Mr. Atkinson stated Northfork's Bylaws require the Board of Trustees, at least ten (10) days before any meeting of the members to appoint a Credential and Election Committee consisting of not less than three (3) nor more than seven (7) Northfork members. Mr. Atkinson stated that, Leon Willsie, Robert Weeks, Brad Maddoux, Monte Tucker, Sandra Hunter, Brandon Hughes, and Monte Carlson were appointed to the Credentials Committee. Mr. Atkinson stated that the nominees will be elected for a three (3) year term. Motion was made to elect the two nominees, seconded and unanimously carried.

Mr. Atkinson explained the proposed bylaw change from Article XIV Fiscal Year. Section 14.01 Fiscal Year. The Cooperative's fiscal year shall begin on the first day of the month of ~~July~~ January of each year and end the last day of the month of ~~June~~ December following. Motion was made to accept the amendment, seconded and unanimously carried.

Mr. Copeland introduced Mr. Gary Roulet, CEO of Western Farmers. Mr. Roulet explained that by 2023, one (1) out of every two (2) kilowatt hours will come from renewable energy. Mr. Roulet announced that Western Farmers will be the first in the country to construct a power plant that will consist of wind, solar, and battery storage. He stated that WFEC's interest is in helping Northfork to provide cost effective power to their members.

Mr. Taylor introduced Chris Meyers, CEO from the Oklahoma Association of Electric Cooperatives.

Mr. Meyers reported on the Oklahoma Association of Electric Cooperatives. He stated that the Statewide office provides information to Oklahoma cooperatives on the federal level and the state level. Mr. Myers provided a comparison on how little electricity prices have risen compared to other goods. He discussed the value of electricity and how the demand for electricity has significantly increased.

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A \$50 cash prize was given to the oldest member present. Lisa Dailey and Scott Copeland both recognized Laverne Tucker as the oldest member at age 96.5.

Jason Lindsey introduced the winner of the \$100.00 gift card from Western Farmers to Janet Poindexter. She will have the chance to win \$5,000 in another drawing to be held in October 2019.

Scott Copeland announced the winner of the Senior Citizen Center trip to Branson Missouri, the winner was Brill Grant.

A prize drawing was held for sixty (60) more prizes

Mr. Copeland announced that a meal was provided by Northfork Electric Cooperative to all members and guests. Dyer's Barbeque from Pampa, Texas catered the meal consisting of Brisket and Sausage, Beans, Cole Slaw, Potato Salad, Bread, Apricot Sauce and Iced Tea.

President Jimmy Taylor declared Northfork's 2019 Annual Meeting adjourned.

Jimmy Taylor, President

Ransom Snowden, Secretary