

MINUTES
SAN ISABEL ELECTRIC ASSOCIATION, INC.
ANNUAL MEETING OF MEMBERS
September 21, 2024

The Annual Meeting of the Members of San Isabel Electric Association, Inc., was held Saturday, September 21, 2024, at Walsenburg Jr. Sr. High School, 355 West Pine Street, Walsenburg, Colorado.

Call to Order – President Edward “Ray” Garcia called the meeting to order at 1:01 p.m.

Invocation, Pledge of Allegiance, and National Anthem – The meeting was opened with the invocation given by Board Director Dennis Maroney. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Garcia. The singing of the National Anthem was performed by Mitchell Hibpshman.

Welcome Membership – President Garcia welcomed the members to the 2024 San Isabel Electric Association 86th Annual Meeting of the Membership and thanked them for joining the Board and San Isabel Electric employees for a day of business, fellowship, food, and fun.

Introduction of Special Guests – Special guests were introduced: Joe Richards, Las Animas County Emergency Manager; Kent Singer, Colorado Rural Electric Association Executive Director; Larry Archibeque, Colorado Rural Electric Association Board Vice President; Lucas Casias, Costilla County Emergency Management; Reg Rudolph, Chief Energy Innovations Officer Tri-State Generation and Transmission; Tony Hass, Las Animas County Commissioner; Mitchell Wardell, Huerfano County Commissioner; Karl Sporleder, Huerfano County Commissioner; Ron Jameson, La Veta Fire Chief; Ty Winter, State Representative District 47; Felix Lopez, Las Animas County Commissioner; and Veronica Maes, Walsenburg City Council person. President Garcia also recognized Law Enforcement, First Responders, Health Care Professionals, San Isabel Electric current and retired employees, Vialpando Catering, Veterans, and Active-Duty Military members.

Determination of Quorum - The President called on Secretary Doris Morgan, for the determination of quorum. Ms. Morgan certified that there were at least 50 members present, which met the Bylaw requirements and is in compliance with the statutes of the State of Colorado. The official count, as determined by the registration records, was 363 Members present. Total of 878 people in attendance.

Affidavit of Mailing of Notice - The Affidavit of Mailing, which was read at the meeting by Secretary Doris Morgan, indicated that the notice of the meeting had been mailed to all members of record on August 19, 2024, and on August 30, 2024.

2023 Annual Meeting Minutes – Secretary Doris Morgan called on the membership for the reading of the minutes of the 2023 Annual Meeting. It was regularly moved, seconded, and carried, to dispense with the reading of the minutes and that the minutes be approved.

Treasurer’s Report - Treasurer Debbie Rose presented the Treasurer’s Report, noting that an independent auditing firm had been retained to perform last year’s audit. The auditor advised the Board there were no exceptions to the audit and San Isabel Electric is in good financial condition.

Motion to Approve 2023 Financial Report - A motion was made, seconded, and unanimously carried, to accept the 2023 financial reports.

Nominating Committee Report - General Counsel Sisto Mazza presented the Nominating

Committee report. The following members had been nominated by the Nominating Committee at their meeting held on June 26, 2024:

District 3	Gardner, Trinidad East, & Vicinity	Edward "Ray" Garcia	three-year term
District 5	Town of Walsenburg, & Vicinity	Jacque Sikes	three-year term
District 7	Aguilar, Trinidad West, & Vicinity	No nomination	

Dismiss Nominating Committee Meeting – The Nominating Committee was then dismissed.

Nominations by Petition – General Counsel Sisto Mazza presented the Nominations by Petition for District 7 – Gregory Costa and Felix Lopez.

District 3 Board Director Elected - General Counsel Mazza stated that the Board seat for District 3 was uncontested; therefore, the following Director was elected by acclamation to serve on the San Isabel Electric Board, for a three-year term:

Edward "Ray" Garcia District 3 Gardner, Trinidad East, & Vicinity

Mr. Garcia was invited to address the membership.

District 5 Board Director Elected - General Counsel Mazza stated that the Board seat for District 5 was uncontested; therefore, the following Director was elected by acclamation to serve on the San Isabel Electric Board, for a three-year term:

Jacque Sikes District 5 Town of Walsenburg, & Vicinity

Ms. Jacque Sikes was invited to address the membership.

District 7 Board Director Candidate Introduced – Gregory Costa was introduced and invited to address the membership.

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Election for District 7 – The membership was then asked to cast their ballots for the candidate of their choice for District 7. The ballots cast at the meeting were then added to the ballots received by mail and online; and a final count was done by Survey & Ballot Systems.

President's Report – President Garcia discussed reliable electricity, system improvements, resiliency, electric rates, scholarships, and donations.

General Manager's Report – President Garcia called on General Manager Ryan Elarton for a report. Mr. Elarton recognized the Board of Directors, discussed the electric system, community outreach, and changes in the electric industry.

Motion to Ratify Board Actions- It was regularly moved, seconded, and unanimously carried that the actions of the Board during the last year be ratified.

Old, Unfinished, or New Business – The President called for any old, unfinished, or new business that needs to come before the membership.

Door Prize Drawing – Four children were selected from the audience to do the drawing for door prizes. The four children were given prizes for doing the door prize drawings. The drawing for door prizes commenced.

Cash Drawing – President Garcia drew twenty names of members present in person to receive \$50 in cash.

Kids Drawing – President Garcia drew six kids names present in person to receive a prize.

Grand Prize Drawing – The grand prize was free electricity for a year, up to \$1,500. The drawing for the grand prize commenced.

Results of Election – General Counsel Mazza announced that there was a total of 336 votes received via mail, online, and in person at the annual meeting for District 7. Gregory Costa received 176 votes and Felix Lopez received 156 votes. Mr. Costa was elected to represent District 7.

Closing Thoughts – President Garcia thanked the members for attending the 86th Annual Meeting.

Adjournment - There being no further business to come before the meeting, it was regularly moved, seconded, and unanimously carried, that the meeting be adjourned at 2:54 p.m.

/Jacque Sikes/
Jacque Sikes, President of the Board

ATTEST:

/Doris Morgan/
Doris Morgan, Secretary

We, the undersigned Directors of San Isabel Electric Association, Inc., on this date, September 20, 2025, do hereby certify and confirm in all respects, the foregoing minutes of the annual meeting, held September 21, 2024.

_____/Deborah Rose/

_____/Jacque Sikes/

_____/Donald Keairns/

_____/Doris Morgan/

_____/Gregory V. Costa/

_____/Dennis Maroney/

_____/Edward R. Garcia/

Being all the Directors of San Isabel Electric Association, Inc.