

Berkeley Electric Cooperative  
Board Meeting  
November 24, 2025  
Minutes

The Berkeley Electric Cooperative Board of Trustee's meeting was held **Monday, November 24<sup>th</sup> at 1 P.M.** at the Moncks Corner Headquarters.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman DeWitt, and Mr. Gourdine gave the invocation, and we stood to honor the flag and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

The following Trustees were present:

<b>H. Wayne DeWitt</b>	<b>Connie Shuler</b>	<b>Henry Chavis</b>
<b>Willis Sanders</b>	<b>Robert C. Jenkins</b>	<b>Robert Vandross</b>
<b>Sam Gourdine</b>	<b>Deborah C. Bryant</b>	<b>Donald C. Helms</b>

President & CEO Michael S. Fuller, Executive Administrator Ashley Edens, General Counsel, John (Jack) Williams, and the following staff: VP of Finance Joel Stevens, VP of Information VP of Public Relations Tony Vincent, Director of Energy Services Eddie Plowden, Director of Key Accounts and Government Relations, VP of Engineering Chris Rutledge and Inspection Program Supervisor Ryan Ford.

Chairman DeWitt called for approval of minutes from the October board meeting which was held on October 27, 2025. Upon motion by Mr. Chavis seconded by Mr. Vandross, and unanimously passed; it was

**RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees hereby approves the minutes of the October 27<sup>th</sup>, 2025, board meeting as presented.**

Chairman DeWitt called for approval of minutes from the 2026 Budget Board meeting which was held on November 10<sup>th</sup>, 2025. Upon motion by Mrs. Shuler seconded by Mr. Sanders, and unanimously passed; it was

**RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees hereby approves the minutes of the 2026 Budget Board Meeting that was held on November 10<sup>th</sup>, 2025, as presented.**

Chairman DeWitt called for approval of minutes from the 2025 Annual Meeting Board Meeting to certify the 2025 Annual Meeting election which was held on November 19, 2025. Upon motion by Mr. Jenkins seconded by Mr. Gourdine, and unanimously passed; it was

**RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees hereby approves the minutes from the Annual Meeting Board Meeting to certify the 2025 Annual Meeting election on November 19<sup>th</sup>, 2025, as presented.**

### **Committee Reports**

#### **Central Report-Mr. Dewitt**

Mr. DeWitt stated that there was a board meeting on November 12<sup>th</sup> and he discussed several topics that were brought up during the Central board meeting. Gary Stooksbury introduced the new CEO of Aiken Electric, April Collins.

#### **Financial Report-Mr. Stevens**

Mr. Stevens reviewed the financial reports from September 2025. Mr. Stevens reviewed portions of the statement of operations and the balance on the Form 7.

### **President/CEO Reports-Mr. Fuller**

Mr. Fuller gave an update on the 2025 Annual Meeting. We had 14,966 members registered: 1,109 registered in Awendaw, 2,141 registered in Johns Island and the first day at the headquarters 6,910 and second day at the headquarters 4,806 registered. It took roughly 275 employees across four days with approximately 14,300 labor hours. We had one election attorney and 35 poll managers and roughly 825 meals provided across four days.

### **2025 Utility Tax Credit-Mr. Walling and Mr. Vincent**

Mr. Fuller asked Mr. Walling to present the UTC request. Mr. Walling stated that Berkeley Electric Cooperative has \$600,000 utility tax credit annually for eligible infrastructure projects. He said that the request is to provide \$600,000 to Berkeley County's new industrial site to improve water and sewer to attract new projects. Both industrial parks will be served by this infrastructure improvement that will provide force mains to 2.6 million square feet of industrial space. Upon motion by Mr. Gourdine seconded by Mr. Chavis and unanimously passed; it was **RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees hereby approves that Berkeley Electric Cooperative will pay \$600,000 in utility tax credits to Berkeley County for new industrial site to improve water and sewer to attract new projects.**

### **Executive Session-**

The Chairman then called for an Executive session and upon motion by Mr. Chavis, seconded by Mr. Jenkins and unanimously passed by the Board went into Executive Session. A contractual matter was discussed. Upon a motion by Mr. Chavis, seconded Mr. Sanders and unanimously passed the Board came out of Executive Session.

### **2026-2027 Underground Repair and Refurbish Inspection Contract-Mr. Ford**

Mr. Ford presented information on the contract and stated that we recommend that we award the 2026-2027 Underground Repair and Refurbish Inspection Contract to McCall Thomas, the total contract amount for 2 years is \$252,000.00. Upon motion by Mr. Jenkins seconded by Mrs. Shuler and unanimously passed; it was

**RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of Berkeley Electric Cooperative, Inc., has awarded McCall Thomas Engineering Company Inc. the 2026-2027 Underground Equipment Repair and Refurbish Contract. The contract total amount for 2 years is \$252,000.00.**

### **Attorney Report-Mr. Williams**

Mr. Williams discussed a few legal cases that he is working on and there was no action needed.

### **New Business-**

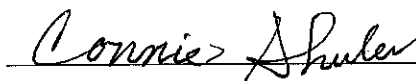
The Chairman then called for new business. There was none.

### **Old Business – None.**

There being no further business to come before the Board, a motion was made to adjourn.



H. Wayne DeWitt, Chairman



Connie Shuler, Secretary