### WASHINGTON ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC.

#### 81st ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

May 7, 2020

The 81<sup>st</sup> Annual Membership Meeting, conducted via video teleconference, was called to order at 5:01 p.m. on Thursday, May 7, 2020, by President Barry Bernstein. The following members were present:

Barry Bernstein

Jean Hamilton

Richard Rubin

Don Douglas

Stephen Knowlton

Mary Just Skinner

Roger Fox

Annie Reed

Bill Powell

Also, present were General Manager Patty Richards, WEC's legal counsel Ron Shems, Co-op Currents Editor Katie Titterton and Administrative Assistant Dawn Johnson.

It is noted that the format and content of this annual meeting was significantly altered to protect the health and safety of all and to comply with the public gathering guidelines set forth at the time by Vermont's governor due to the public health emergency declared as a result of the COVID19 pandemic. This alteration is not intended to represent a permanent change in conducting annual meetings in the future.

### **CERTIFICATION OF QUORUM**

President Bernstein presented the Certification of Quorum signed by Ballot Committee Co-chair Joe Kelly. President Bernstein stated 892 ballots were received by mail from the CPA firm, 54 ballots were invalid (spoiled) for a total of 838 members voting in the election which he certified constituted a quorum for the purpose of transacting business at the 81<sup>st</sup> Annual Membership Meeting in accordance with the Cooperative's Bylaws.

## APPROVAL OF MINUTES—2019 ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

President Bernstein called for a motion to waive the reading of the minutes of the 2019 Annual Membership Meeting held on May 2, 2019, and to approve the minutes as presented.

A motion was made by Roger Fox of Walden to waive the reading of the minutes of the 2019 Annual Membership Meeting and to approve them as presented. The motion, which was duly seconded by Mary Just Skinner of Middlesex, passed unanimously.

### **OFFICER REPORTS**

President Bernstein noted that all Officer Reports were printed and can be viewed in the April *Co-op Currents* -81<sup>st</sup> Annual Meeting notice.

## **NOTICE OF MEETING**

President Bernstein called on Secretary Anne Reed who certified that Volume 81, No. 3 of the Cooperative's newsletter, *Co-op Currents*, constituted the official notice of the 81<sup>st</sup> Annual Meeting of

the Members and that this notice was mailed to all members of record on the  $10^{th}$  day of April 2020, in accordance with the requirements of the Bylaws.

# **ELECTION RESULTS**

President Bernstein reported the results of the director election: Donald Douglas, 796 votes; Jean Hamilton, 775; Mary Just Skinner, 756. He congratulated each and thanked them for all running.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

President Bernstein noted the 81st Annual Member Meeting recording would be available on the WEC website.

With no further business to conduct,

A motion was made by Steve Knowlton of East Montpelier to adjourn the 81<sup>st</sup> Annual Member Meeting. The motion, which was duly seconded by Richard Rubin of Plainfield, passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:07 p.m.

Date of Membership Approval: May 6, 2021

Attest: