## MINUTES OF THE EIGHTY-FOURTH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE GRADY ELECTRIC MEMBERSHIP CORPORATION HELD FRIDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2023

The 85<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Grady Electric Membership Corp. was held on October 20<sup>th</sup>, 2023. The Annual Meeting was called to order at 7:30 a.m. and then recessed for registration and voting. Members were able to vote by absentee ballot or in person via drive-through at the office of Grady EMC, located at 1499 US Highway 84 W, Cairo, Georgia.

The business meeting reconvened at 10:00 a.m. and was called to order by Eric Cohen, Board Chairman, and the invocation was given by Pastor Josh Toomey. A live video broadcast was made available online at *www.gradyemc.com*.

Director Eric Cohen appointed Attorney Matthew Lawrence of Young, Thagard and Hoffman LLP as the Presiding Officer.

Attorney Lawrence determined a quorum was present, with 606 members registered at the close of registration. A copy of the notice of the meeting along with proof of mailing to the members of the Cooperative, were presented and are to be attached with the minutes. The 2022 Annual Meeting draft minutes were published along with a notice to the membership for the opportunity to raise any questions prior to the meeting.

The minutes of the previous annual meeting held on October 21<sup>st</sup>, 2022, were read and approved.

A video was shown with a message from the directors and staff of Grady EMC.

Attorney Lawrence conducted the remainder of the business session. He announced that there were two Directors to be elected at the meeting. The Nominating Committee nominated Lee Powell for District 3, and James "Jimmy" Hammett for District 6. No nominations were made by petition.

Ballots cast in person were counted by the Election Committee. Those figures were added to the absentee ballot figures for a total count. For the District 3 race, Powell received 266 votes and was elected as Director for District 3. For the District 6 race, Hammett received 215 votes and was elected as Director for District 6.

There was no old business.

Upon a motion and second with no objection, the business meeting was then adjourned.

After the adjournment of the meeting, Adam Starr began the drawing for prizes. Prizes included a \$500 bill credit grand prize, two runner-up prizes of \$250 and 85 \$85 bill credits.

Greg Brouillet, Secretary

Eric Cohen, Chairman

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