

A REGULAR MEETING OF THE ONTONAGON COUNTY R.E.A.  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS WAS HELD AT 500 JAMES K PAUL STREET  
ONTONAGON MICHIGAN

MINUTES  
January 16, 2026 9:30 A.M.

1. Opening

- Call regular meeting to order – Gaunt at 9:30am
- Roll Call – Gasperich, Myhren, P. Koski, Gaunt, C. Koski in person. Lehto, Hodges, Attorney Pat Greeley and Consultant Tom Sobeck attended via Teams. Staff present in person, CEO Dallas Aho, Justin Sironen and Kelsey Preiss.
- Members present, Mike Urbis, Bruce Johanson and Mel Haskell.
- Member Comment Session – Bruce Johanson and Mike Urbis stated that they were only present to observe the meeting and had no comment. Mel shared multiple topics with the board.

2. Reports

- Operations Report
- CEO Report
- Financial Report
  - Financial Statements for period ended 11/30/2025
  - PSCR Over/under Collection for period ended 12/31/2025
  - List of Bills — December 2025

M/S to approve reports as presented – Myhren/C. Koski. All in favor, motion passed.

3. Action Items

- Approval of the Agenda

M/S to approve the January 16<sup>th</sup> Agenda– Gasperich/P. Koski. All in favor, motion passed.

- Approve Minutes of the December 19, Regular Board Meeting

M/S to approve the December 19<sup>th</sup> Regular Board Meeting Minutes – Myhren/Hodges. All in favor, motion passed.

4. Business — Old/New/Other

- a. Final Approval of Policies

M/S to approve the Final Approval of All Ontonagon REA Policies – Gasperich/Hodges. All in favor, motion passed.

- b. Bylaws Update – review and updates to come.
- c. Mowing Update – CEO Aho and Operations Manager Sironen updated the board on progress, jobs and machines.
- d. MECA Update – Gaunt talked about the protection of the Schedule LP 1 in relation to the effect a data center locating in our service area would create, gave a brief update of MECA meeting.
- e. Michigan Electric Cooperative Symposium – Board discussed date of Symposium and who will be attending.

5. Around the Table Discussion

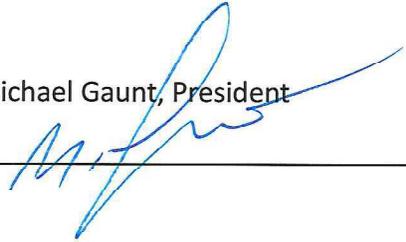
6. Attorney Report

7. Executive Session – Entered executive session at 10:24am and came out at 10:56am.

8. Next Meeting Date: February 20, 2026

9. Adjournment

M/S to adjourn at 10:58am – Myhren/Gasperich. All in favor, motion passed.

Michael Gaunt, President 

Mildred Ann Gasperich, Secretary

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We the undersigned Directors of the Ontonagon County Rural Electrification Association do hereby confirm, approve and ratify in all respects the above minutes of the Regular Meeting on January 16, 2026.

