

The Ontonagon County Rural Electrification Association

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors 500 James K Paul Street, Ontonagon, MI. On **Thursday, July 20, 2017, at 9:00 a.m.**

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Ontonagon County Rural Electrification Association was held at 500 James K. Paul St., Ontonagon, MI, on **Thursday, July 20, 2017, at 9:00 a.m.** pursuant to call.

Rajala reported the following directors present Wayne Heikkinen, Calvin Koski, Paul Koski, Frances Wiideman, Randy Myhren, Jim Moore and George Rajala. A quorum was present. Secretary Myhren appointed Rajala to record the Board Meeting Minutes.

Others Present Debbie Miles, General Manager

The Regular Board Meeting was called to order at 8:47 a.m. by the President, Calvin Koski.

Patrick Kitzman, a member from the Ewen/frou Creek District addressed the Board during the member comment session regarding the "Open Meetings Act" and a billing complain.

A motion to approve the agenda was made by Myhren and duly seconded On a voice vote the motion passed all ayes.

An Executive Session was called.

A motion to approve the minutes of the June 15, 2017 minutes was made by Rajala and duly seconded On a voice vote the motion passed all ayes.

A motion to approve the Line Superintendent's Report and the Manager's Report was made by Myhren and duly seconded On a voice vote the motion passed all ayes.

The Board had reached out to the Michigan Electric Cooperative Association, of which they are a member, regarding a redistricting plan. The Board had a conference call with Craig Borr of MECA and William Perrone of Dykema, to address redistricting and the member's resolutions that were passed at the Annual Meeting.

A motion to approve Special Equipment Summaries in the amount of \$4,128.40 for period ended 04/30/2017 and \$8,686.98 for period ended 05/31/2017 and Inventory of Work Orders, for periods ended 03/31/2017 in the amount of \$31,124.87 and 04/30/2017 in the amount of \$1,958.82 was made by Heikkinen and duly seconded. On a voice vote the motion passed all ayes.

A motion to approve the list of bills & the financial report was made by Rajala and duly seconded. On a voice vote the motion passed all ayes.

Brian Miller of Superior Health presented employee health care options to the Board.

In answer to ATCLLC's Third Call for Voluntary Additional Capital for 2017, a motion to approve a contribution in the amount of \$6,145.00 was made by Myhren and duly seconded. On a voice vote the motion passed all ayes.

The manager informed the Board that additional information had been received after the last regular meeting regarding the LIHEAP Funding. The manager updated the Board and polled them and the vote was to "opt out", which was the original vote.

A motion not to participate in the BL Course 944.1 which is being sponsored by MECA was made by Myhren and duly seconded. On a voice vote the motion by a vote of 5 to 2 with Wiideman and Rajala voting yes.

The manager presented a budget that was updated with the rates that will become effective August 1, 2017.

New committees were appointed.

Personnel Committee

1. C. Koski & G. Rajala

Audit Committee

2. R. Myhren & W. Heikkinen

Board Policy Committee

3. F. Wiideman, J. Moore & P. Koski

There being no further business to come before the Board, President Calvin Koski adjourned the meeting at 10:30 a.m.