

The Ontonagon County Rural Electrification Association  
The Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors  
500 James K Paul Street, Ontonagon, MI

On Thursday, December 21, 2017, at 10:00 a.m.

The meeting commenced at 10:00 a.m. pursuant to call.

Secretary Myhren appointed Director Moore to record the Board Meeting Minutes.

Directors present:

Wayne Heikkinen, Calvin Koski, Paul Koski, Frances Wiideman, Jim Moore and Randy Myhren. George Rajala was absent. A quorum was present.

Others present:

Debbie Miles, General Manager and Theodore Greeley, Counsel.

The Member Comment Session opened with Gerald Light commenting on recent letters to the editor of the Ontonagon Herald by Bruce Johanson regarding the Board compensation, "seems like a lot of money".

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

At 10:08 the Board went into an Executive Session which ended at 10:42.

A motion by Myhren, seconded by Wiideman to approve the minutes of November 10, 2017; on a voice vote the motion passed, all ayes.

Teleconference with Pat Wheeler of Utility Systems Engineering, regarding the Wholesale Power Contract RFPs. Discussion and vote to (1) contract with the Wolverine Power Cooperative for 2019 and subsequent years, and (2) investigate cancellation of WPS 2019 contract. Motion made by Myhren and seconded by Wiideman to pursue this course of action; on a voice vote the motion passed, all ayes.

A report on union negotiations; extended another month.

A motion to approve the redistricting plan was made by Myhren and seconded by Moore. On a voice vote the motion passed, all ayes.

A motion to approve both the Line Superintendent's and Manager's Reports was made by Myhren, seconded by Wiideman; on a voice vote the motion passed, all ayes.

A motion to approve the Special Equipment Summary in the amount of \$11,754.73 for the period ended 10/30/17 as well as the RUS 219, Inventory of Work Orders in the amount of \$24,086.75 for the period ended 9/30/2017 was made by Paul Koski and duly seconded. On a voice vote the motion passed, all ayes.

A motion to approve the list of Bills and the Financial Report was made by Heikkinen and seconded by Myhren. On a voice vote the motion passed, all ayes.

A motion to award an employee bonus of \$30 each was made by Myhren, seconded by Paul Koski, voice vote, all in favor.

A motion to approve the 2017 Write-off list in the amount of \$18,672.27, was made by Wiideman, seconded by Myhren, all voted in favor.

Miles reported that complaints about the OCREA have been made to the MPSC by Mel Haskell about board compensation and Pat Kitzman about incorrect billing. The MPSC has no jurisdiction. In addition, a complaint has been filed with State Senator Tom Casperson's office that the Company refers people to the DHS too quickly.

General Manager Miles and President Koski attended the November MECA meeting.

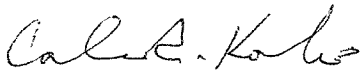
A motion to approve the ATCLLC First Call for Voluntary Capital of \$6,145 was made by Myhren, seconded by Wiideman, voice vote, all in favor.

Miles reported that the addition of district identification will appear on the members' December bills.

The Board, by consensus, awarded General Manager Miles a \$10,000 bonus for the year 2017.

The next Board Meeting will be held on January 18, 2018 at 10:00 a.m.

There being no further business to come before the Board, President Calvin Koski adjourned the meeting at 11:12 a.m.

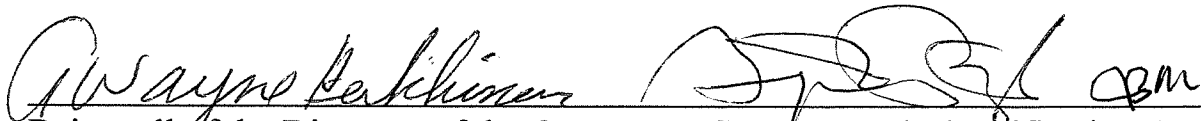
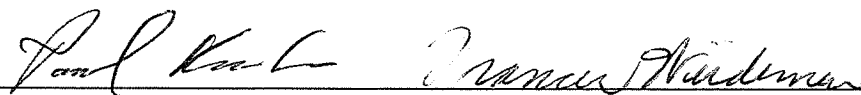


Calvin Koski, President



Randy Myhren, Secretary

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 held on December 21, 2017.



Being, all of the Directors of the Ontonagon County Rural Electrification Association.