

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

On Friday, January 14, 2022, at 9:32 A.M.

The meeting commenced at 9:32 a.m. pursuant to call.

Directors present:

Calvin Koski, Ann Gasperich, Bill Hodges and Randy Myhren in person. George Rajala, Mike Urbis and Wayne Heikkinen Via Zoom. A quorum was present.

Others present:

Debbie Miles, General Manager, Patrick Greeley, Counsel

Mark Urbis, Line Superintendent (for his report).

No members appeared for the member comment session.

A motion to approve the agenda was made by Hodges, seconded by Myhren, on a voice vote, the motion passed, all ayes.

A motion to approve the minutes of the December 17, 2021 meeting was made by Myhren, seconded by Hodges, on a voice vote, motion passed all ayes.

Attorney Greeley presented the RUS loan documents to the Board for signatures. All documents were executed by the Board. Greeley also discussed the Menge property in L'anse. A Purchase Agreement has been drafted.

The Board was updated on the AMI (Vision) system.

Line Superintendent, Mark Urbis, presented his monthly report and Miles presented, the status of the PSCR over/under collection and the list of bills.

All reports were approved on motion by Myhren and seconded by Urbis, on voice vote, motion passed, all ayes.

The Manager had informed the Board that the current AMR system was not being supported and would be going "away". The cooperative was notified earlier in the year that on December 31, 2021 the server would be taken down and we may or may not receive readings. The equipment needed to insure we receive daily readings was quoted at \$144,000. On motion by Gasperich and seconded by Rajala the Board authorized the manager and staff to explore other options. Motions passed on roll call vote, Gasperich, Koski, Heikkinen, Rajala, Hodges, Urbis and Myhren, all ayes.

The manager updated the Board on the status of the accounting position. The Board will make some contacts.

Beneficial Electrification was discussed.

The Board discussed potential growth of the Cooperative.

There being no further business to come before the Board, President Koski adjourned the meeting at 11:32 a.m.

The next regular monthly board meeting is scheduled for Friday, February 18, 2022 at 9:30 a.m.

Calvin Koski, President

Mildred Ann Gasperich, 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 January 14, 2022.

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