

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

On Friday, May 17, 2019, at 9:00 a.m.

All present not objecting, the meeting commenced early at 8:58 a.m. pursuant to call.

Directors present:

Wayne Heikkinen, Bill Hodges, Paul Koski, Jim Moore, George Rajala, and Frances Wiideman. A quorum was present.

Directors absent: Calvin Koski.

Others present:

Debbie Miles, General Manager and Theodore Greeley, Counsel.

No members appeared for the Member Comment Session.

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

Karl Ahonen presented the 2018 audit results. His firm issued a “clean” opinion with two significant (not serious) deficiencies in Internal Control and Compliance, each due to the small nature of the Coop’s staff; these were in the 2017 audit also.

Recommendation is that the Board scrutinize the funds each month. Moore pointed out a reference to a bylaw that does not exist, regarding patronage capital; Ahonen will look into this issue.

A motion by Hodges, seconded by All to approve the minutes of the April 19, 2019 meeting; on a voice vote the motion passed, all ayes.

Greeley reported that (1) Presented draft of Disconnection Resolution; needs some revision, (2) Has preliminary Annual Meeting script and will be soliciting Board comments soon, (3) No movement on Menge property.

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

A motion by Wiideman and seconded by Heikkinen to approve the following:

- A. Special Equipment Summaries in the amount of \$3,745.45 for the period ending 3/31/2019.
- B. RUS219 Work Orders in the amount of \$6,579.80 for the period ending 2/28/2019.

On a voice vote the motion passed, all ayes.

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

Moore discussed meeting with Keweenaw Research Center and conversation with UPPCO. Much discussion regarding KRC plans for distributed generation and UPPCO AMI proposal ensued. Miles will contact each regarding their requests.

Kaleb Price has been hired as an apprentice in Ontonagon.

The organizational meeting will take place during regular board meeting, June 21, 2019.

The line crew and superintendent will be shifting to a 4x10hr week, Monday-Thursday, through August 2019.

The next Board Meeting will be held on Friday, June 21, 2019 at 9:00 a.m.

There being no further business to come before the Board, Vice President Rajala adjourned the meeting at 10:15 a.m.



George Rajala, Vice President



James Moore, 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 May 17, 2019.




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