

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

On Wednesday, September 25, 2019, at 9:00 a.m.

The meeting commenced at 9:01 a.m. pursuant to call.

Directors present:

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

Others present:

Debbie Miles, General Manager and Pat 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 Rajala seconded by Heikkinen. On a voice vote the motion passed, all ayes.

A motion by Hodges, seconded by Paul Koski to approve the minutes of the August 27, 2019 meeting, with corrections; on a voice vote the motion passed, all ayes.

Attorney Greeley reported:

- Spoke with Menge attorney – no change
- Working with Miles on status of local government utility franchises
- Union issue with brushing crew but resolvable

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

A motion by Rajala and seconded by Moore to approve the following:

- A. A motion to approve the Special Equipment Summary for period ended July 31, 2019 in the amount of \$34,946.24 was made by Rajala, seconded by Wiideman; on a voice vote the motion passed, all ayes.
- B. A motion to approve the ATC – Fourth call for Voluntary Additional Capital 2019 (\$7,681.00) was made by Rajala, seconded by Paul Koski; on a voice vote the motion passed, all ayes.
- C. Board Access to Company's Data Base. Okayed by consensus.

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

Approved \$175 donation to Ewen/Trout Creek schools.

Tom Sebeck from Presque Isle will address board at the October meeting.

Update on IVR System – Rajala made the motion, Paul Koski seconded, all approved, Miles request to purchase new call system to allow members to pay bills via telephone with Credit card/ Bank account. Hosted by NISC as part of bundle with our accounting, payroll, etc. Will eliminate staff involvement.

Miles received ideas from RUS regarding Insurance Coverage and will work with Greeley to give the Board suggestions.

Lake Linden tie-line is done, resulting in savings of \$48,000/year without need of UPPCO wheeling.

The next Board Meeting will be held on Friday, October 18, 2019 at 10:00 a.m.

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



Calvin Koski, 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 September 25, 2019.

Bernice Wideman Paul Kubi

Al Wayne Erickson J. J. [unclear] William Hedges

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