A REGULAR MEETING OF THE ONTONAGON COUNTY R.E.A. BOARD OF DIRECTORS WAS HELD AT 500 JAMES K PAUL STREET ONTONAGON MICHIGAN

Minutes July 21, 2025 9:30 A.M.

- 1. Open the Annual Election of Officers Gasperich at 9:30am
 - Nominations for President

Hodges nominated Gaunt, Gaunt accepted. No other nominations. M/S to accept Gaunt as board president – Lehto/Myhren, all in favor, none opposed.

• Nominations for Vice President

Myhren nominated C. Koski, C. Koski accepted. Gaunt nominated Hodges, Hodges accepted. Paper vote taken, Gasperich counted votes and Hodges won 5/2.

M/S to accept Hodges as board vice president – Lehto/Myhren, all in favor, none opposed.

Nominations for Secretary

Myhren nominated Gasperich, Gasperich accepted. No other nominations.

M/S to accept Gasperich as board secretary – Lehto/Gaunt, all in favor, none opposed.

• Nominations for Treasurer

Gaunt nominated Myhren, Myhren accepted. No other nominations. M/S to accept Myhren as board treasurer – Lehto/Gaunt, all in favor, none opposed.

- 2. Call regular meeting to order Gaunt at 9:36am
- 3. Roll Call Gasperich, Myhren, P. Koski, Hodges, C. Koski, Gaunt and Lehto in person. Others present: General Manager Aho, Justin Sironen, Kelsey Preiss. Consultant Tom Sobeck and Attorney Pat Greeley present via Teams.
- 4. Member Comment Session

Mike Urbis – Provided the board with copies of his questions from the annual meeting. Bruce Johanson – Brought up two separate topics. He provided copies of his questions to the board.

- 5. Election of Officers moved to number one.
- 6. Approval of the Agenda

M/S to approve the agenda – Gasperich/Lehto, all in favor, motion passed.

- 7. Approve Minutes of the June 16, Regular Board Meeting M/S to approve the June 16, regular board meeting minutes C. Koski/Hodges, all in favor, motion passed.
- 8. Review Minutes of the June 21, Annual Meeting
 The board accepted the review of the June 21, annual meeting minutes.
- 9. Attorney Report Attorney Greeley discussed different requests, policies and updates.
- 10. Operations Report No accidents and zero nears misses. MECA working to preform PRE-RESAP (Rural Electrical Safety Achievement Program).
- 11. CEO Report General Manager Aho discussed various business updates with the board.

- 12. Financial Report
 - Financial Statements for period ended 5/31/2025
 - b) PSCR Over/Under Collection for period ended 06/30/2025
 - c) List of Bills – June 2025

M/S to accept reports as presented – Myhren/Hodges, all in favor, motion passed.

- 13. **Business Requiring Board Action**
 - Board Signatures for June 16, Regular Meeting Minutes
- 14. Other Business
 - Open meetings discussion

Board initiated discussion on open meeting procedures.

b) PSCR under collection adjustment

> The board reviewed admin request, General Manager Aho will move forward with next steps.

- c) EWR update
- d) MECA director call review

Hodges attended, he noted that the Youth Tour went well, MECA is looking for different webinar topics and discussion about different ideas for future annual meetings.

- Initiate review of bylaws and policies for compliance to State/Federal laws e)
- f.) Review of CFC - KRTA (Key Ratio Trend Analysis) webinar Gaunt and C. Koski attended the webinar. They noted that we are facing the same challenges as other CO-OP's but that we are doing well as a whole.
- Around the Table Discussion Gasperich would like the board to consider holding monthly board meetings on Mondays year-round. P. Koski would like to look into how our cost per KWH ranks nationwide. Hodges thanked Gaunt for taking over as board president, expressed appreciation to board and is ready to keep moving forward. Lehto mentioned that SEMCO is working to put in a new gas line down Gristmill Road.
- 16. Executive Session called at 11:33am and returned to regular meeting at 11:45am.
- 17. Next Meeting Date: August 18, 2025
- 18. Adjournment at 11:46am

Michael Gaunt, 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 on