

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

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

1. Opening

- a) Call regular meeting to order – Gaunt at 9:30am
- b) Roll Call – Gaunt, Lehto, C. Koski, P. Koski, Myhren, Hodges, Gasperich. Others present: General Manager Aho, Justin Sironen, Kelsey Preiss. Consultant Tom Sobeck and Attorney Pat Greeley attended via Teams.
- c) Member Comment Session – Mike Urbis spoke.

2. Reports

- a) Operations Report
- b) CEO Report
- c) Financial Report
 - i. Financial Statements for period ended 9/31/2025 — Updated
 - ii. PSCR Over/under Collection for period ended 10/31/2025
 - iii. List of Bills — October 2025

M/S to approve reports as presented – Myhren/Lehto. All in favor, motion passed.

3. Action Items

- a) Approval of the Agenda

MS to approve the November 21st Agenda – C. Koski/Hodges. All in favor, motion passed.

- b) Approve Minutes of the October 17th, Regular Board Meeting

M/S to approve the October 17th Regular Board Meeting Minutes – Lehto/P. Koski. All in favor, motion passed.

4. Business — Old/New/Other

- a) MECA Board Meeting Update – Gaunt highlighted key takeaways. Overall great experience.
- b) Open Meetings Guidelines Draft

M/S to approve open board meeting regulations with the inclusion of discussed items – Gasperich/Lehto. All in favor, motion passed.

- c) 2026 Budget Draft – Reviewed draft, final approval in December.
- d) Board Policy Update – Final approval in December.
- e) Ice Storm After Action — Application to Ontonagon County REA – Board discussed creating a plan for storms and mutual aid.
- f) Large Load Customer Tariff Cap – Board will review in December.
- g) Christmas Bonuses Discussion – Will be handed by General Manager Aho.
- h) Director's Compensation

M/S to direct Secretary Gasperich to draft a resolution, have it reviewed by Attorney Greeley and vote on at Decembers meeting – Gasperich/Hodges. All in favor, motion passed.

5. Around the Table Discussion

6. Attorney Report – Discussed multiple topics and is working to resolve other matters.

7. Executive Session called at 12:00pm and returned to regular meeting at 12:07pm.

8. Next Meeting Date: December 19, 2025

9. Adjournment at 12:08pm



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 November 21st, 2025.

Paul W. Wynn, Paul K. K., Cole R. K.
William R. Hodges