

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

MINUTES
December 19, 2025, 9:30 A.M.

1. Opening

- Mike Gaunt called the regular meeting to order at 9:30
- Roll Call Gaunt, Hodges, Calvin Koski, Myhren, Paul Koski, Lehto and Gasperich. Others Present: Manager Aho, Tom Sobeck, Justin Sironen and Attorney Greeley. Gasperich and Greeley were via Teams
- Member Comment Session – Bruce Johanson

2. Reports

- Operations Report
- CEO Report
- Financial Report
 - Financial Statements for period ended 10/31/2025
 - PSCR Over/Under Collection for period ended 11/30/2025 □ List of Bills – November 2025

M/S Calvin Koski/Randy Myhren to accept the reports, all in favor, motion passed.

3. Action Items

- **M/S Bill Hodges/Paul Koski** to approve the agenda as presented, all in favor, motion passed.
- **M/S Randy Myhren/Jack Lehto** to approve the Minutes of the November 21, all in favor, motion passed.

4. Business – Old/New/Other

- a. Attorney Greeley will be working on the Bylaws Update as well as the Articles of Incorporation.
- b. **M/S Ann Gasperich/Bill Hodges** to accept the budget for 2026 as presented. – All in favor, motion passed.
- c. **M/S Calvin Koski/Jack Lehto** to adopt the Schedule LP 1 – Large Power Service Resolution all in favor, motion passed
- d. Board Policy Updates are complete and being compiled.
- e. **M/S Bill Hodges/Jack Lehto** to adopt the Director Per Diem Resolution, in favor Gaunt, Hodges, C Koski, P Koski, Lehto and Gasperich, Myhren opposed, motion passed.
- f. **M/S Randy Myhren/Calvin Koski** the 2025 Bad Debt list as presented be written off, all in favor, motion passed.

5. Around the Table Discussion – Good Job on recovery of the power during the Thanksgiving snowstorm, Directors are enjoying the new methods of communication the REA is using. Staff is working with the Ontonagon County Emergency Manager to have a table-top exercise.

6. The Attorney brought the board up to speed on outstanding areas of concern.

7. Went into executive session at 11:10 and came out at 11:14

8. Next Meeting Date: January 16, 2025

9. Adjournment **M/S Randy Myhren/Ann Gasperich** at 11:15.

Michael Gaunt, President

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 December 19, 2025.

Mildred Ann Gasperich, Secretary

Randy Myhren, Paul Koski, Calvin R. Koski

Ontonagon County Rural Electrification Association
Board Resolution 12/19/2025

**RESOLUTION TO MODIFY THE ESTABLISHED
PER DIEM RATE FOR THE DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS OF THE
ONTONAGON COUNTY RURAL ELECTRIFICATION ASSOCIATION**

WHEREAS ARTICLE III, Directors, Section 4. Compensation, allows by resolution of the Board of Directors, that a fixed sum and expenses of attendance, if any, may be allowed for attendance at each regular meeting of the Board of Directors and for attendance at any Board-approved functions related to the advancement of the Cooperative; and

WHEREAS the current reimbursement has not changed for over ten (10) years; and

WHEREAS the Duties, Responsibilities, and Cost of Living has only continued to increase.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

1. The Per Diem for the Ontonagon County Rural Electrification Association Directors shall increase from \$325 to \$400 for all Directors
2. The President shall receive an additional stipend of \$50 per month.
3. The Secretary and Treasurer shall both receive an additional stipend of \$25 per month.

The above Resolution was offered by William Hodges and supported by Mildred Gasperich with an effective date of January 1, 2026, and a roll call vote was taken as follows:

Ayes: M Gaunt, W Hodges, C Koski, P Koski, P Lisko, A Gasperich
Nayes: R Myhrin

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.

I hereby certify that the foregoing constitutes a true and compared copy of a resolution duly adopted by the Ontonagon County Rural Electrification Association at a regular meeting held on Dec 19, 2025


Ann Gasperich, Secretary

ONTONAGON COUNTY RURAL
ELECTRIFICATION ASSOCIATION
BOARD RESOLUTION
DECEMBER 19, 2025

RESOLUTION 2025-01
LARGE POWER TARIFF MODIFICATIONS

WHEREAS, OCREA transitioned to member-regulation with an effective date of November 5, 2012, thus providing that its electric rates, charges, accounting standards, billing practices, terms and conditions of service are under authority of the board of directors and not the Michigan Public Service Commission (MPSC); and

WHEREAS, OCREA currently has a Large Power Tariff that does not provide a maximum volume limit for members taking service; and

WHEREAS, OCREA recognizes the emergence of data centers presents unique risks to the membership due to the large volume of energy they consume; and

WHEREAS, OCREA currently has no Tariff that addresses the large kWh volume presented by data centers; and

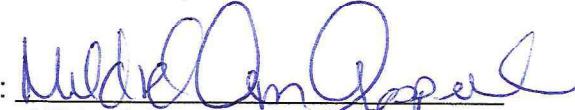
WHEREAS, OCREA wishes to insulate the membership from any risks presented by the potential existence data centers.

NOW BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that, effective immediately, the OCREA Board of Directors approves modifications to the existing Large Power (LP) Tariff to establish a range of 10kW up to 150kW for eligibility to take service and modifications to the Large Power 1 (LP1) Tariff to establish a range of above 150kW to 1MW for eligibility to take service.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that members with annual volumes that are expected to exceed 1MW will be required to negotiate a separate agreement outlining rates and terms of service with the OCREA Board of Directors.

CERTIFICATION

I, Mildred Ann Gasperich, Secretary of the Board of Directors of Ontonagon County Rural Electrification Association, do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted at a special meeting of the Board of Directors of Ontonagon County Rural Electrification Association held on December 19, 2025.

By: 
Mildred Ann Gasperich, Secretary
Dated: 12/19/2025