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

On Monday, February 18, 2019, at 10:00 a.m.

The meeting commenced at 10:00 a.m. pursuant to call.

Directors present: Wayne Heikkinen, Calvin Koski, Paul Koski, Jim Moore, George Rajala. A quorum was present.

Directors absent: Bill Hodges and Frances Wiideman.

## Others present:

Debbie Miles, General Manager and Theodore Greeley, Counsel.

No members appeared for the Member Comment Session.

Moore requested an addition to the agenda, a discussion of the pending AMI project, before the scheduled AMI/Border States conference call. A motion to approve the amended agenda was made by Rajala seconded by Heikkinen. On a voice vote the motion passed, all ayes.

A motion by Rajala, seconded by Paul Koski to approve the minutes of the January 18, 2019 meeting; on a voice vote the motion passed, all ayes.

Moore stated that the coop should be evaluating the option of partnering/subcontracting parts or all of the AMI project with interested organizations. Consensus was reached to ask Miles and Greeley to prepare an RFP to send to UPPCO, Alger-Delta, etc.

The AMI/Border States conference call was postponed.

Greeley reported that (1) WE Energies Balancing Authority Agreement: Dead, (2) The Village of L'Anse in a direct sale to the coop of the "Menge" property; Miles and Greeley will talk to Menge again, (3) Moore made a motion to direct Greeley to clarify the question of the coop's organizational basis, Paul Koski supported, motion failed 2 ayes/3 nays.

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

A motion to approve a resolution amending the 2015-2018 Work plan, primarily to add the AMI project, was made by Rajala and seconded by Paul Koski. On a voice vote the motion passed, 4 ayes/1 nay.

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

The annual meeting will take place at Chassell High School.

A proposed by-law change, to establish the minimum age of a director to be the Michigan age of majority as required by RUS, was discussed.

Calvin Koski attendance at the MECA Annual Board meeting, March 6<sup>th</sup> in Lansing was approved.

The board declined to respond to a request for funds from a charitable organization.

Truck #7 is to be sold; will be put out on bids.

Candidates for the line superintendent position will be interviewed on February 25.

The next Board Meeting will be held on Monday, March 15, 2019 at 10:00 a.m.

There being no further business to come before the Board, President Calvin Koski adjourned the meeting at 11:11 a.m.

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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 February 18, 2019.

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