

MORGAN COUNTY RURAL ELECTRIC ASSOCIATION

Minutes of Regular Board Meeting Headquarters Building – Fort Morgan, Colorado

July 28, 2025: The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Directors of Morgan County Rural Electric Association was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on the above date. Directors present at the beginning of the meeting were Dave Arndt, Jim Bostron, Larry D. Hoozee, Terry Linker, Brian Pabst, Timothy Peggram, Terry Tormohlen, and Cary Wickstrom.

Also present were David Frick, General Manager, and Matthew Richardson, General Counsel.

Kyle Eiring entered the meeting at 10:45 a.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The Board reviewed draft minutes from the June 23, 2025, regular Board meeting and the July 2, 2025 special Board meeting.

- ♦ **By motion made, seconded, and carried, the minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Directors of June 23, 2025 were approved.**
- ♦ **By motion made, seconded, and carried, the minutes of the special meeting of the Board of Directors of July 2, 2025 were approved.**

APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP: The Board reviewed the applications for Membership in the Association presented at today's meeting for consideration by the Board of Directors and questions were asked and answered.

- ♦ **By motion made, seconded, and carried, applications for membership numbered 27882 through 27908 were approved.**

CANCELLED MEMBERSHIPS: The Board reviewed the monthly list of members who had withdrawn from the Association since the last meeting of the Board.

MEMBER INPUT: The Board discussed member feedback.

SAFETY & HEALTH REPORT: Manager Frick presented and summarized the monthly Safety and Health Report. Manager Frick reported on a single reportable accident during the preceding month. Questions were asked and answered.

STAFF REPORT – HUMAN RESOURCES: Ms. Ogley reported on Association personnel matters and upcoming meetings for organizations of which the Association is a member. Questions were asked and answered.

STAFF REPORT – ENGINEERING: Mr. Baranowski presented the monthly engineering report. Mr. Baranowski reported regarding projected large load development in the Association service area. Questions were asked and answered.

STAFF REPORT – OPERATIONS: Mr. Mason presented the monthly Operations report. Association crews constructed several new service installations during the preceding month. Association contractors continued line rebuild and retirement work. Mr. Mason presented and

demonstrated regarding “trip savers” installed on Association poles and which act as fuses to isolate outages in the event of faults. Questions were asked and answered.

STAFF REPORT – COMMUNICATIONS: Manager Frick directed the Board’s attention to a written Communications Report analyzing the costs of the Association’s 2024 and 2025 Member Appreciation Picnics and outlining recent and upcoming Association membership engagement events. Manager Frick asked if there were questions and there were none.

STAFF REPORT – OFFICE SERVICES: None.

FINANCIAL REPORT: Mr. Shaver reviewed the details of his customary monthly financial statements and reports. After questions, answers, and discussion, the President directed that the monthly Financial Reports be filed.

TREASURER’S REPORT: Mr. Bostron presented the monthly Treasurer’s report, with attention paid to the monthly accounts payable check register reflecting checks issued during the previous month. Following review and consideration of the register of accounts payable, President Pabst ordered that the check register be filed.

Members of staff exited the meeting.

MANAGER’S REPORT: Manager Frick presented his monthly report to the Board. Manager Frick presented staff’s proposed revisions to Policy 1-2, “General Manager Duties and Responsibilities.”

- ♦ **By motion made, seconded, and carried, the Board adopted the proposed revisions to Policy 1-2, “General Manager Duties and Responsibilities.”**

Manager Frick reported that staff had reviewed Policy 1-4, “Signing of Documents,” and recommended reaffirmation without revision.

- ♦ **By motion made, seconded, and carried, the Board reaffirmed Policy 1-4, “Signing of Documents,” without revision.**

Manager Frick presented staff’s proposed revisions to Policy 6-2, “Fraud and Dishonesty.”

- ♦ **By motion made, seconded, and carried, the Board adopted the proposed revisions to Policy 6-2, “Fraud and Dishonesty.”**

Manager Frick presented staff’s proposed revisions to Policy 10-2, “Relocation of Association’s Facilities.”

- ♦ **By motion made, seconded, and carried, the Board adopted the proposed revisions to Policy 10-2, “Relocation of Association’ Facilities.”**

Manager Frick reported on collaboration between Tri-State and the Association to serve future load growth. Questions were asked and answered and discussion followed. Manager Frick updated the Board regarding Association personnel matters. Questions were asked and answered. Manager Frick reported on his attendance at the most recent Tri-State managers meeting.

COLORADO RURAL ELECTRIC ASSOCIATION BOARD REPORT: Mr. Tormohlen reported on happenings at CREA.

WESTERN UNITED BOARD REPORT: Mr. Linker reported on happenings at Western United and its most recent financials. He reminded the Board that Western United's annual fish fry event is coming up.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: President Pabst appointed Mr. Peggram as the Association's delegate to the 2025 Basin Electric Annual Meeting and Mr. Tormohlen as alternate. Mr. Pabst informed the Board that it would need to appoint its NRECA Region 7 delegate at an upcoming meeting. The Board discussed and voted on CoBank's 2026-2027 nominating committee candidates.

BENTAUS ENERGY AND H-2 ENTERPRISES PRESENTATION: Representatives from Bentaus Energy and H-2 Enterprises entered the meeting at 1:00 p.m. and presented to the Board regarding agrivoltaics. Discussion followed.

Bentaus Energy and H-2 Enterprises exited the meeting at 2:14 p.m.

Mr. Tormohlen exited the meeting at 2:14 p.m.

TRI-STATE G&T BOARD REPORT: Mr. Hoozee reviewed and discussed happenings at Tri-State Generation & Transmission. Questions were asked and answered and discussion followed.

OTHER MEETING REPORTS: Mr. Peggram reported on his attendance at the CFC Annual Meeting.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS. None.

EMERGENCY BUSINESS: None.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: Manager Frick reported that the Morgan County Economic Development Corporation had asked whether the Association desires to become a voting member. Discussion followed.

There being no further business to consider, the meeting was declared adjourned 3:29 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Kyle Eiring, Secretary