MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF
LEWIS COUNTY RURAL ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE ASSOCIATION
September 24, 2026

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of Lewis County Rural Electric Cooperative Association (hereinafter referred to as "Cooperative") was held on Thursday, September 24, 2026, at the office of the Cooperative pursuant to previous Board Resolution.

CALL TO ORDER

The business session was called to order at 6:02 p.m. by Emery Geisendorfer, President. Megan McCord, Attorney for the Cooperative, caused the minutes of the meeting to be kept.

The following Directors were present: Emery "Buster" Geisendorfer, Mike Schantz, Larry Clark, Randy James, Larry Smoot, Sandra Ebeling, Jeff Whiston, Angela "Angie" Seals, and Donna Flood. Directors absent: none. Also present were Staci Mesmer, CEO/General Manager; staff members Kendall Hawkins, Ryan Strubinger and Theresa Simmons; and Megan McCord, Attorney.

INVOCATION & PLEDGE

Angie Seals led the Board in an invocation and recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

AGENDA APPROVAL

The chair asked for approval of the agenda. On motion made, seconded and passed, the agenda was approved.

MINUTES APPROVAL

Minutes of the meeting of August 26, 2026 were presented. On motion made, seconded, and passed, the Board resolved to approve the minutes.

NEW MEMBERS

The Board reviewed the lists of new members for August 2026. On motion made, seconded and passed, the Board approved the lists of new members as presented

WORK ORDERS

The Board reviewed work orders for August 2026. On motion made, seconded, and passed, the work orders were approved as presented

FINANCIAL REPORT

Theresa Simmons presented the financial report for the month of August 2026. Items of interest included: budget comparisons and statement of operations.

DISBURSEMENTS

The Board reviewed the checks and electronic transfers made during the previous month.

MANAGER'S REPORT

The Board reviewed the written manager's report. CEO Mesmer supplemented her report with information regarding an upcoming meeting with Toth and an update on the NISC conversion.

OPERATIONS REPORT

Kendall Hawkins provided an update on contractors and reliability including a recap of recent outages.

STAFF REPORTS

The Board reviewed the written monthly staff reports including: Operations; Safety & Training; Engineering; Information Technology; and Member Services & Government Relations. Ryan Strubinger provided an update on the software conversion.

AI POLICY #421

Ryan Strubinger provided information on Artificial Intelligence. He also reviewed the Cooperative's AI policy with the Board.

REDLG POLICY #221

CEO Mesmer reviewed revisions to the Cooperative's REDLG policy. After discussion, on motion made, seconded and passed, the Board amended Policy 221 as presented.

NRECA REGION 8 VOTING DELEGATE

CEO Mesmer announced that a voting delegate needed to be selected for the upcoming NRECA Region 8 meeting. After discussion, on motion made, seconded and passed, the Board appointed Staci Mesmer as the voting delegate.

NEW/OLD BUSINESS

President Geisendorfer called for new or old business. There was none.

AMEC REPORT

Larry Clark reported his attendance to the recent meeting of the Association of Missouri Electric Cooperatives. Items of interest included: Rural Missouri update; financials; health insurance increase; and training center update.

NORTHEAST POWER REPORT

Mike Schantz reported no meeting has been held since the last board meeting.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Staff members left the meeting. On motion made, seconded and passed, the Board entered Executive Session to discuss personnel matters.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING

The next regular meeting of the Board will be called Thursday, October 27, 2026 at the office of the Cooperative in Lewistown, Missouri.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, on motion made, seconded and passed, the meeting was adjourned at 8:07 p.m.

Approved:

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Chairman

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Secretary