

REGULAR BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Trustees of The Caney Valley Electric Cooperative Association, Inc., was held Tuesday, February 10, 2026, at Cedar Vale, State of Kansas, at 6:30 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by President, Chris Kelly, who acted as chairman and presided at the meeting. Joni Hubert, Accounting & HR Manager, recorded the minutes thereof.

Upon calling the roll, the following Trustees reported as present:

Chris Kelly	Stephanie Ollenborger	Trey Clapp
Steve Clark	Dan Hubert	Jack Newcomb
Barry Speer	Steve Warburton	Alex Fulsom (via Zoom)

Others present for the meeting were Allen A. Zadorozny, Manager, Montana Johnson, Line Superintendent, and Joni Hubert. Chairman Kelly declared the meeting duly organized for the dispatch of such business as might come before it. Trey Clapp offered a prayer and Chris Kelly opened with the flag salute.

Consideration was given for requests for changes to the Agenda or for any additional executive sessions. There were none.

The next order of business was review of the minutes of the regular board meeting of January 13, 2026. It was moved by Trey Clapp, seconded by Barry Speer, and unanimously carried, that the minutes be approved as mailed.

The Board then considered the new membership list. After review and on motion by Barry Speer, second by Steve Clark, it was unanimously carried to approve the new members as presented.

The Board then reviewed the December expenditures. It was moved by Barry Speer, seconded by Jack Newcomb, and unanimously carried, to approve the expenses as presented.

Old accounts in the total amount of \$1,103.88 were presented for consideration. It was moved by Dan Hubert, seconded by Trey Clapp, and unanimously carried, to turn these over for collections as presented.

The Board then reviewed the Operations, Loss Control & Safety Report, including accidents, new consumers line extensions, outages, safety meeting minutes, and transportation. After review, it was moved by Dan Hubert, seconded by Stephanie Ollenborger, and unanimously carried, to approve the safety meeting minutes as presented.

Discussion was held on the Kubota with Montana stating that the crew had ran it on Friday and after about 30 minutes is quit working again. Montana has been looking at other options and is considering a Bobcat that will work with the mulcher attachment.

Allen Zadorozny reviewed the December financial statements. Decembers financials are completely different that what was expected due to the credit received from KEPCo along with unbilled revenue. The unbilled revenue is a journal entry at the end of the year that our CPA firm requires us to do yearly. Due to these factors affecting the margins the overall 2025 TIER was 1.49 and the Operating TIER to 1.39; higher than the required minimums of 1.25, and 1.1. The Long-Term Debt to Assets with the Line of Credit came to 47.2% for December. Meters served ended at 5,128 for the year; down two meters from November and down fifty-three meters from January. Due to the credit on the KEPCo bill the wholesale power cost was down to \$0.02247/kWh which will affect the February 2026 billing.

The CoBank Sharing Success program has been reopened already this year; a fund that matches customer donations to charities. Discussion was held on our annual contribution to area 4-H clubs, and applying again for a matching grant through this program. It was moved by Barry Speers, seconded by Dan Hubert, and unanimously carried, to donate \$1,000, and apply for a matching grant through the Sharing Success program. It was also brought up that Elk County Athletics are trying to raise funds to start a youth track and field program. After discussion, it was moved by Steve Warburton, seconded by Steve Clark, to donate \$1,000 to the Elk County Athletics, and apply for a matching grant through the Sharing Success program. All board members, excluding Chris Kelly who abstained from voting, approved this motion.

Montana Johnson then informed the board of an incident with Poor Boy Tree Services. The decision between Allen Zadorozny and Montana Johnson was to let go of Poor Boy Trees Services due to the way they handled the issue. Montana Johnson is looking to options for replacing their services.

An issue of a potential board candidate being related to an employee and the by-laws was brought to attention. A phone call was placed to Counsel Paul Buck at 7:27pm to see if he had rendered an opinion for handling the issue. Counsel Buck stated that he did not see an issue with the person running for the candidate position as long as the relationship was disclosed on the ballot for the members to see when they voted. There would also need to be an additional vote pending this person being elected for the position to be in agreement with the by-laws for compensation. The call ended at 7:30pm.

Chris Kelly reported the KEC meeting mainly focused on various bills. One Cooperative falls under KCC jurisdiction and they are trying to change that.

Dan Hubert and Jack Newcomb attended the KEPCo meeting on January 21st and 22nd. Dan Hubert reported that Mark Dojack stated that the month of December had the lowest income for KEPCo since 1999 because of the allocation as MSA Credit to all of the Cooperatives. It was reported that Wolf Creek ran at 100% and Iatan II ran well in December.

The following December 2025 Inventory of Work Order was presented for consideration: #626 for \$151,537.30. It was moved by Steve Warburton, seconded by Barry Speer, and unanimously carried, to approve this Work Order as presented.

There being no further business to come before the Board, it was moved by Trey Clapp, and seconded by Barry Speer, and unanimously carried, to adjourn the meeting at 7:52 p.m.

ATTEST:

/s/ Chris Kelly, President

/s/ Stephanie Ollenborger, Secretary