

ALGER DELTA COOPERATIVE ELECTRIC ASSOCIATION
Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors

February 18, 2026

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of Alger Delta Cooperative Electric Association was held on February 18, 2026.

Call to Order and Roll Call:

The meeting was called to order by Chair Better at 12:59 p.m. EST.

Directors present: District 1-Darryl Small (virtual), District 2-Karen Alholm, District 3-Tim Jenkins, District 4-Bill Wotruba, District 5-Steve Wery, District 6-Jesse Better, District 7-Kirk Bruno, District 8-Don Johnson, District 9- Steve Dausey(virtual).

Directors absent: None

Also present were (General Manager) Mike Furmanski, (Finance Manager) Lynn Labadie.

Approve the Agenda:

Moved by Director Wotruba to approve the agenda as presented, support by Director Johnson. Motion carried.

Member Comments: None

Minutes:

Moved by Director Johnson to approve minutes of January 21, 2026 regular meeting with the following corrections: typing error under 2025 Year End in Finance Manager report and add Director remuneration as the reason for executive session, support by Director Wotruba. Motion carried.

Approve the Administrative Items:

Motion to approve check register in the amount of \$2,126,632.91 by Director Alholm, support by Director Johnson. Motion carried.

Motion to approve the administrative items (membership applications, director's expenses, manager's expenses, and estate retirements) as submitted in the board packet was made by Director Alholm, with support by Director Johnson. Motion carried.

Old Business:

- Safety Update
 - No loss time accidents or near misses to report.
 - Tomorrow meeting: SPCC Plan and Arc Flash Analysis.
- Mine Update
 - Eagle is now part of Talon but retaining their name.

- Policy Review
 - Board reviewed 108, 109, and 110.
 - **Moved by Director Alholm to add a space after guidelines in Objectives of Policy 108 and to eliminate everything after BOD in Number 7 of Policy 109, support by Director Jenkins. Motion carried.**
- Strategic Plan
 - Furmanski talked with CFC and they broke it into 35 SMART goals.
 - Furmanski was asked to use his original eight and refine the 35 CFC suggested one.
 - Director Bruno will work with Furmanski.
 - Tabled until next months meeting.

New Business:

- America's Electric Coop Pac
 - A support request letter was made available to all Board members.
- Annual Meeting
 - Will be held at the Island Resort & Casino, Wilson MI on June 17th.
 - Will follow the same format as previous years.
- GPS Purchase
 - Moved by Director Johnson to approve the purchase of GPS system as quoted by Seiler Geospatial, support by Director Wery. Motion carried.
- Increase Debt Limit
 - Resolution is required for RUS
 - **Moved by Director Alholm to approve Corporate Debt Limit resolution as presented, support by Director Johnson. Motion carried unanimously.**

Staff Reports:

Operations Manager Report-Tiernan

- Work Plan Projects
 - Provided an Isabella tie line update-hoping to switch over in a month.
 - Plan to stake the Trenary project next week.
 - Looking at 2026 work plan projects.
- Maintenance Items
 - Reject poles-Marquette crew & White Rapids.
- Vegetation Crews
 - Vegetation crews are working in the LaBranche and Gourley substation areas.
- Warehouse/Facilities
 - Installing new HVAC system.
 - Safety glass installation in the front office.
 - Replacing warehouse doors.
- Safety

- February safety meeting-SPCC Plan and Arc Flash Review.
- Two lineman attending Transformer Training-cancelled due to the storm.
- **Equipment**
 - Found a used semi to use to haul the trailers.

Office Manager Report-Priebe

- **Monthly Action Items**
 - Current cases with NISC
 - Key account/mapping
 - Work order/archiving setup-processes
 - Verion AVL/Reveal AVL Integration-outage map
 - In field attribute updates/lineman live updating
 - IT/Cybersecurity-Review daily reports-address any issues w/DSTech or NISC.
 - Risk assessment testing-waiting on final results.
 - Aclara-New contract being reviewed by General Manager.
 - NISC-Monthly server patching/security.
- **Billing**
 - Working through billing print issues.
 - Total accounts billed: 10,521 (includes transfers and final bills)
 - Total Active Meters: 10,369
 - Total Estimated Reads: 4
- **Service Order Activity**
 - Service Orders: 143
 - New Members: 23
 - New Services: 5
 - Transfers: 25
 - Upgrades: 0
 - Disconnects: 17
 - Reconnects: 2
 - Temporary Disconnects/Reconnects: 0
- **Social Media**
 - A special visit to Jane
 - Self-assessment kit link
 - Run for the Board
 - Pet safety

Finance Report-Labadie

- **2025 Winter Tax Payments**
 - Paid and mailed 2025 winter tax payments to the townships on 2/9/26 for a total of \$473,351.53
- **Federated Insurance Meeting 2-25-26**
 - Review insurance spreadsheet for coverages

- Renewal for 5/1/26
- Projects Complete
 - NRECA W-2 submission, Computations-personal property tax statements mailed out 2/16/26, 1099s/W-2s/overtime calculations
- Projects Working on
 - Annual return and W-2 submission-State of Michigan-due 2/28/26, City of Gladstone personal property statement.
- 2025 Audit
 - Completed the cash confirmation requests and will start uploading requests; reviewing December 2025 trial balance.
 - Audit week of March 9-13.
- December 2025 Financials
 - Preliminary December 2025 financials are on Board's Ipads.
- Power Cost Adjustment
 - 1/2/26=(.0081), 2/2/26=(.0119), 3/2/26=(.0057)

General Manager-Furmanski

Power Costs-Slightly higher than previous two years, but still below baseline.

Power Sales- Went up tremendously - likely due to the cold January.

- Energy Waste Reduction-Went live January 1st have had very little activity.
- 2026 Election-Gourley, Stonington & Isabella -no new candidates.
- Aclara-Signed Software as Service Contract. Will have a higher cost the first year as we migrate to a cloud server, but will be less going forward.
- WPPI-Power Clerk for Interconnections-for solar installations.
- Upcoming schedule shared.
 - Legislative Conference in DC April 26-29.
 - Furmanski, Alholm, Bruno, and Johnson will be attending the Symposium in Grand Rapids April 8-9.
- Director Wery asked how the scholarship application process worked and the deadline. It is on the website and will be in the March/April Country Lines.

Committee Reports & Agendas

- MECA Update
 - Director Johnson provided an update.
 - Furmanski stated Alger Delta had received a refund.


Executive Session

- ***Moved by Director Johnson to enter executive session for the purpose of Director Renumeration, support by Director Wotruba. Motion carried.***
- Executive session was entered at 2:59 p.m. EST.
- ***Moved by Director Johnson to leave executive session, support by Director Wotruba. Motion carried.***


- Executive Session was completed at 3:41 p.m. EST.
- ***Moved by Director Bruno to accept the Board Renumeration schedule as proposed, support by Director Alholm. Motion carried.***
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Adjourn

- ***Moved by Director Johnson to adjourn, support by Director Jenkins. Motion carried.***
- Meeting adjourned at 3:43 p.m. EST.



Jesse Betters - President



Kirk Bruno-Secretary/Treasurer