

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF EASTERN IOWA LIGHT AND POWER COOPERATIVE
HELD AT THE OFFICE IN WILTON, IOWA

July 30, 2026

President Ken Purdy called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m. in the Cooperative training room.

Secretary Bixler gave the roll call. The following directors were present:

Henry Bentley	Kurt Olson
Mike Bixler	Ken Purdy
Gary Bruns	Robert Schneider Jr.
Joel Carstensen	Mike Shuger
Aubrey Lee Cartwright	Denise Timmerman
Allan Duffe	Brad Weiss
Tom Hotz	Kathy Wunderlich
Gary Kester	

Also present at the meeting were CEO Kirk Trede, Staff David Zorich, Michelle Walker, Tim Iossi, Lance Kephart, Brian Schoer and Mark Elder, Communications Director Jim Williams, and Executive Assistant Erin DeLong.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the agenda as emailed. Motion carried.

The minutes of the June 25, 2026 regular board meeting were provided for the directors to review. A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes with no comments or corrections. Motion carried.

A motion was made and seconded to approve Resolution No. 1 accepting new members. Motion carried.

There was no member correspondence requiring board action.

President Purdy called on Division Manager of Accounting David Zorich to give the financial report for month ending June 30, 2026. The report was accepted after questions were asked and answered satisfactorily.

Michelle Walker, Division Manager of Administrative Services, presented the monthly safety report.

Ms. Walker provided an update on the Wapello facility cold storage building and reported that the Riverside City Council approved the rezoning request for the Cooperative's new facility.

Jim Williams, Communications Director, shared the results of the Touchstone Cooperative Advantage Survey and ACSI score.

Directors participated in a communications exercise.

CEO Kirk Trede presented the monthly Member Relations department dashboard.

Stephanie Miene, Economic Development Director, joined the meeting to present the quarterly Community Engagement dashboard. Ms. Miene was excused from the meeting.

Division Manager of Operations Mark Elder presented the Operations department dashboard and construction report for June.

The meeting recessed for lunch at 11:23 a.m. and reconvened to regular session at 12:05 p.m.

A recap and discussion were held regarding the district meetings conducted in Districts 1, 2 and 3.

A review of the Capital Budget Expenditures completed during the first half of 2026 was given by CEO Trede.

Expenses were set by the executive committee for the NRECA Region V & VI Meeting.

The 2026 Annual Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, September 10 at the Mississippi Valley Fairgrounds. Meeting notices will be mailed to legislators and special guests. Members will receive a work light as an attendance gift. The list of attendance prizes and the agenda were provided.

Director Bentley reported the financial review committee's questions were answered satisfactorily for the month of June.

The following director reports were given on attended meetings: Director Kester reported on the CIPCO Board and CIPCO Charity Golf Outing. CEO Trede shared an NISC report. President Purdy shared a report on the IAEC Managers' and Presidents' Summer Conference held July 9-10.

A motion was made and seconded to accept the consent agenda; motion carried.

The executive session started at 1:34 p.m. and reconvened to regular session at 2:00 p.m. As there was no further business to come before the Board, a motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.


Secretary


President