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ELECTRIC COMMITTEE MEETING
(Blaies/Carpenter/Kaiser/Meehling)
Wednesday, April 15, 2026 at 5:30 p.m.

The meeting of the Electric Committee was called to order at 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday, April 15, 2026 by Chairperson Mike Blaies. Committee members present were Chairperson Mike Blaies, Trustee Tom Carpenter, Trustee Bob Kaiser, Trustee Lisa Meehling, Mayor Seth Speiser, Village Clerk Jerry Menard (absent), Trustee Ray Matchett, Trustee Dana Miller, Public Works Director Chris Remick, Head Lineman Max Sallman, Police Chief Mike Schutzenhofer (absent), Village Attorney Fred Keck (absent), Village Administrator Matt Trout, Village Engineer Tim Pruett, Office Manager Mary Downen. Guest present: Janet Baechle. There were no guests present via Zoom.

A. OLD BUSINESS:

1. Approval of March 11, 2026 Minutes: *Trustee Lisa Meehling motioned to recommend to the full Board approval of the March 11, 2026 minutes, and Trustee Bob Kaiser seconded the motion.* All voting yea, the motion carried.

2. Customer Issues: Head Lineman Max Sallman said we had 2 outages. One was on Richland Street, a limb fell and knocked the line down and the other was a cutout blow in Deerfield Court.

3. IMEA Energy Efficiency Grant: Village Administrator Matt Trout said they have been working on replacing the lights inside our buildings.

4. Socket Fiber: Matt said he had emailed the Board an agreement. At this time, they have Smithton and Millstadt signed up. He talked about the agreement and there was a discussion among the Board. The Board agreed to move forward with finalizing an agreement.

5. Breaker Replacement: Max said he and Matt discussed with IMEA. He said they are working on scheduling. Matt said it is possible we will be doing it this fall.

6. Lineman Position: Matt said we received a lot of applications. He and Max have gone through them. He asked if Trustee Lisa Meehling and Chairperson Mike Blaies would like to be in on the interviews as they were the last round. He has the applications in his office if anyone would like to look through them. He would like to get the interviews set-up and have a recommendation at the next personnel committee meeting.

Public Works Director Chris Remick said they had a safety meeting on pole top rescue and bucket rescue.

B. NEW BUSINESS: Max said they did replace 2 poles this past month, on Turkey Hill and N. Potter St. He said they are getting low on underground transformers and he will get some numbers together for those.

C. GENERAL CONCERNS: None.

D. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: None.

E. ADJOURN: *Trustee Lisa Meehling motioned to adjourn at 5:54 p.m. and Trustee Bob Kaiser seconded the motion.* All voting yea, the motion carried.

Mary Downen
Office Manager