MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF CHERRY-TODD ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC.
July 29, 2025

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of Cherry-Todd Electric Cooperative, Inc., was held on the 29th day of July 2025.

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 10:05 am by Vice Chairman Brickner. Chairman Bordeaux arrived at 10:07 am and took over as Chairman of the meeting.

Roll Call: Directors Fullerton, Brickner, Tucker, Frederick, Bordeaux, and Meek were present. Also present was Attorney Jessica Hegge (via phone) and Manager Tim Grablander.

Agenda: Frederick requested three additions to the agenda, including an update on the casino interconnection, line extension policy update, and an executive session. There were no objections to the additions to the agenda. Motion to approve the agenda as amended by Frederick, seconded by Tucker. Carried unanimously.

Minutes: Motion to approve the minutes with a typo correction by Brickner. Second by Frederick. Carried unanimously.

Financial Report: Office Manager Colleen Farley entered the meeting at 10:10 am to present the financial report. There was discussion about how margins continue to be behind normal for this time of year, reflecting power bill increases and larger expenditures.

Capital Credit Retirement: Motion to approve capital credit retirement in the amount of $829,834.18 as presented in the Board packet by Brickner, seconded by Meek. Motion carried unanimously.

Director Antoine entered the meeting at 10:31 am. Office Manager Farley exited the meeting.

Check Audit: Meek and Tucker presented on the check audit. The explanations provided were satisfactory, and there were no further questions from the Board.

Manager's Report: Manager Grablander presented his report to the Board.

Co-Bank Election: Frederick made a motion to cast the ballot for Max D. Wenck, seconded by Fullerton. Motion carried unanimously.

Basin Electric 2026 Proposed Rate Increase: Basin Electric is looking at a significant rate increase for 2026. Although the final numbers are not known at this time, there was discussion among the Board of how to let the Cooperative's members know that a significant rate increase is imminent and that this increase is due to the increase in power costs from Basin Electric, not due to the actions of the Cooperative. There was discussion among the Board about requesting a representative of Basin Electric or Rushmore Electric to speak at the annual meeting to discuss the rate increases. The Board wants to give more formal notice to TUC of impending power cost increases.

Basin Electric Annual Meeting Voting Delegate: Motion by Brickner to make Bordeaux the voting delegate and Fullerton the alternate for the Basin Electric Annual Meeting. Second by Antoine. Motion carried unanimously.

RUS Loan AC48: Office Manager Farley entered the meeting at 11:27 am to discuss RUS Loan AC48. The last day to advance on Loan AC48 is 9/30/2025. There is an option to request a one-year extension on that last day to advance. Motion approving Resolution Requesting a One-Year Extension of the Advance Period on the "AC48" Loan ("Resolution"), which is attached to these minutes, and authorizing

Secretary Fullerton's signature on such Resolution by Frederick, with a second by Brickner. Motion carried unanimously. Office Manager Farley exited the meeting at 11:36 am.

Mission Substation: Manager Grablander provided an update on the transformer for the Mission substation.

Line Extension Policy Update: Manager Grablander gave an update on the line extension/aid to construction policy.

Work Orders, Membership Applications, Membership Refunds, Stock Water Wells Contracts, Etc.: Motion by Meek and seconded by Antoine to accept the stated new memberships, cancelled memberships plus refunds of said membership fees, refund capital credits allocated on the books to heirs or legatees of deceased patrons, stock well, irrigation contracts, and work order resolutions as presented in the Board packet. Motion carried unanimously.

Attorney Hegge left the meeting at 12:30 pm.

Staff Meeting Reports: Member Services Manager Chris Rahn entered the meeting and presented his report. Rahn discussed the progress on the 2025 annual meeting. Rahn also discussed the new digger truck's arrival. Rahn requested that the old digger truck, which is Unit 33, be sold on Big Iron Auctions. Motion by Antoine to sell Unit 33 on Big Iron Auctions, seconded by Meek. Motion carried unanimously. Rahn left the meeting.

Executive Session: The Board declared an executive session by Chairman Bordeaux at 1:20 pm. The Board exited executive session at 1:25 pm. No action was taken.

Meeting Reports: Meek reported on the SDREA meeting.

New Business: There was no new business.

Motioned by Brickner, seconded by Antoine, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 1:30 pm.

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Approved:

President

Attest:

Secretary