

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MENARD ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE
PETERSBURG, ILLINOIS
MAY 28, 2024

The monthly Board Meeting of the Board of Directors of Menard Electric Cooperative was called to order at 6:00 P.M. at the Headquarters of the Cooperative, 14300 State Highway 97, Petersburg, County of Menard and State of Illinois.

On roll call the following Directors were present: President Warren D. Goetsch, Directors Gary Holloway, Gary L. Martin, Donald E. McMillan, Michael E. Patrick, Dennis Ryan, Jodine Tate, and Steve L. Worner. Director D. Jay Frye was absent and Attorney Charles K. Smith was absent. Also present was General Manager Alisha Anker.

The Agenda of the meeting was read. Thereafter, with President Goetsch presiding and with these minutes being transcribed by or under the direction of Secretary Patrick, the following procedures were had (all action being first duly moved and seconded, and all action taken being upon the unanimous vote of the Board, or without dissenting vote or abstention, unless otherwise stated).

President Goetsch reviewed the Consensus Agenda. It was moved and seconded the Consensus Agenda be approved. Motion carried.

General Manager Anker discussed the annual review of the Conflict of Interest Policy and Disclosure. The Board discussed the information necessary to complete the Disclosure Form. Each Board Member was asked to return the executed disclosure to General Manager Anker.

General Manager Anker reviewed the Strategic Planning Tracking Update, Goal #3. She summarized activities toward taking advantage and educating the Cooperative and Members on renewable benefits and drawbacks of the PPI Contract renewables ownership carve-out in Strategic Goal #3. She advised that Menard could own up to 9MW of solar and/or wind and that several project locations had been identified. She also advised that staff met with a few of the solar developers and that staff is waiting to hear from the USDA on their New ERA Grant application. She also reminded the Board that Menard needed the Grant or a 0% RUS Loan, or both, to make the financials of any Project work.

Director Frye joined the meeting.

General Manager Anker presented the Manager's Report for April, 2024. She reviewed the Operating Statement, Balance Sheet and Budget. General Manager Anker presented the Member Services Report, past due notices, generated cut-off tickets and write-offs. She reviewed the Operations and Reliability Report for the Month and advised there were 70 incidents, the longest duration of an outage was 659 minutes, and largest number of Members affected by a single outage was 1,179. General Manager Anker presented the Safety Report and advised that Director Holloway was the Guest Director for the month. She reviewed the RESAP (Rural Electric Safety Achievement Program) and presented pictures and recommendations from the

Audit team. General Manager Anker reviewed the Irrigation Report, discussed load control devices, and the possible impact of irrigation system retirements in case of large-scale solar development. She advised that the Irrigation Committee would be scheduling a Meeting to discuss these issues. General Manager Anker discussed the status of the proposed Mason County Solar Farm. She reviewed an explanation of Patronage Allocations and reviewed historic examples. General Manager Anker discussed the contents of the Connect Newsletter. She discussed adjusting the Capital Credits discount term annually based on the tenure of that year's planned general retirement. The Board discussed the matter and agreed that the Finance Committee should weigh in on this each January. It was moved and seconded that the Manager's Report be approved as presented. Motion carried.

Director Patrick provided a summary of the Labor Committee Meeting that was held on May 9, 2024.

President Goetsch reported on AIEC Activities. He reviewed the NRECA Report.

Director Martin reported on Prairie Power, Inc. He reviewed the President's Report and the Energy Charge Summary. He advised that Delegate Certification was needed for the Annual Meeting. It was moved and seconded that Director Martin be the Primary Delegate and Director Worner the Alternate Delegate. Motion carried. Director Martin also advised that Certification of the PPI Candidates for Director and Alternate Director were needed. It was moved and seconded that General Manager Anker and Director Martin would act as Directors with Director Worner as Alternate Director. Motion carried.

General Manager Anker presented the Capital Credit Estate Refund Report.

It was moved and seconded that the Board enter into Executive Session. Motion carried.

It was moved and seconded that the Board reconvene the monthly Board Meeting. Motion carried.

President Goetsch advised the next regular Board Meeting was scheduled for Friday, June 28, 2024 at 8:00 a.m.

There being no further business to come before the Board, it was moved and seconded the Meeting be adjourned. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Secretary

President

MENARD ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE
MONTHLY OPERATING REPORT

	Year to Date			April 2024		This Month		
	Last Year	This Year	Budget	Variance	Last Year	This Year	Budget	Variance
1. Operating Revenue	8,666,149	8,491,617	8,403,209	88,408	2,004,126	1,921,801	1,806,125	115,676
kWhr Sold	52,172,164	50,090,372	50,474,487	(384,115)	11,062,845	10,457,868	10,786,068	(328,200)
2. Cost of Power	4,114,855	2,694,712	3,198,819	504,107	1,109,478	1,052,669	1,131,582	78,913
kWhr Purchased	56,526,460	54,458,951	54,382,462	(76,489)	11,843,155	11,348,874	11,569,091	220,217
3. Operation Expense	360,452	912,316	807,529	(104,787)	(25,196)	216,950	197,164	(19,786)
4. Maintenance Expense	930,470	980,236	1,164,045	183,809	247,757	258,349	331,901	73,552
5. Consumer Accounts & Coll. Exp.	167,315	193,020	257,323	64,303	42,917	52,321	64,241	11,920
6. Member Service Expense	95,176	119,743	100,289	(19,454)	22,757	28,767	25,201	(3,566)
7. General Office Expense	166,609	202,294	182,868	(19,426)	48,520	50,958	47,009	(3,949)
8. Outside Professional Services	21,534	24,402	27,616	3,214	12,634	6,083	9,216	3,134
9. Insurance, Employee & Welfare	6,223	8,891	5,680	(3,211)	2,127	2,253	1,420	(833)
10. Director's Fee & Mileage	39,012	48,408	62,822	14,414	7,291	8,630	9,763	1,133
11. Dues - Assoc. Organizations	43,049	46,334	46,336	2	10,762	11,583	11,584	1
12. Other Misc. General Expense	125,300	115,566	123,711	8,145	27,197	20,055	26,324	6,269
13. Depreciation Expense	842,210	925,763	927,260	1,497	212,212	231,894	232,415	521
14. Tax Expense - Property	106,856	111,700	111,700	0	26,695	27,925	27,925	0
15. Tax Expense - Other	7,613	6,916	7,440	524	2,228	1,563	1,780	217
16. Interest Expense on L-T Debt	436,682	500,436	500,236	(200)	109,607	122,811	129,568	6,757
17. Total Expense less Power	3,348,499	4,196,023	4,324,855	128,832	747,508	1,040,142	1,115,511	75,369
17a. Total Operating Cost	7,463,354	6,890,735	7,523,674	632,939	1,856,986	2,092,811	2,247,093	154,282
18. Operating Margins	1,202,796	1,600,882	879,535	721,347	147,140	(171,010)	(440,968)	269,958
19. Non-Operating Margins	18,636	25,577	14,400	11,177	5,581	8,390	3,600	4,790
20. G & T Capital Credits	1,069,288	1,089,229	1,000,000	89,229	1,069,288	1,089,229	1,000,000	89,229
21. Other Capital Credits	102,877	91,166	130,800	(39,634)	0	0	0	0
22. Total Margins	2,393,596	2,806,854	2,024,735	782,119	1,222,009	926,609	562,632	363,977

Balance Sheet Analysis

Menard Electric Coop

4/30/2023 - 4/30/2024

16-May-24

	Prior Yr Balance 4/30/2023	Current Yr Balance 4/30/2024	End of Yr Balance 12/31/2023	Change YTD
ASSETS:				
Utility Plant in Service	85,729,386	88,976,752	88,570,600	406,152
Construction Work in Process	995,463	1,733,445	556,703	1,176,742
Total Utility Plant in Service	86,724,849	90,710,197	89,127,303	1,582,894
Accumulated Depreciation	(25,360,891)	(24,760,543)	(24,461,555)	(298,988)
Net Utility Plant	61,363,958	65,949,654	64,665,748	1,283,906
Nonutility Property - Net				0
Inv.in Assoc.Org.-Pat.Cap.	15,513,668	16,710,155	15,585,044	1,125,111
Inv.in Assoc.Org.- General Funds				0
Inv.in Assoc.Org.-Non Gen Funds	680,032	680,032	680,032	0
Investments in Economic Dev. Projects				0
Other Investments	704,305	0	0	0
Special Funds	147,020	173,042	221,564	(48,522)
Total Other Prop. & Investments	17,045,025	17,563,229	16,486,640	1,076,589
Cash-General Funds	627,101	1,129,967	714,205	415,762
Cash-Constr.Fund Trustee	454	454	454	0
Special Deposits	4,722	4,615	3,355	1,260
Temporary Investments	0	0	0	0
Notes Receivable - Net	0	0	0	0
Accounts Receivable-Net-Energy	2,190,254	2,013,127	2,837,618	(824,491)
Accounts Receivable-Net-Other	(1,667)	(1,264)	(2,061)	797
Materials & Supplies	1,756,885	928,302	1,681,309	(753,007)
Prepayments	97,278	194,590	200,164	(5,574)
Other Current & Accrued Assets	2,604	2,430	9,163	(6,733)
Total Current & Accrued Assets	4,677,631	4,272,221	5,444,207	(1,171,986)
Regulatory Assets	0	143,936	154,217	(10,281)
Deferred Debits	0	0	0	0
TOTAL ASSETS & OTHER DEBITS	83,086,614	87,929,040	86,750,812	1,178,228
OWNER'S EQUITY:				
Memberships	332,470	339,865	337,870	1,995
Patronage Capital	27,756,144	28,570,348	28,635,881	(65,533)
Operating Margins-Prior Years	1,968,911	2,598,289	0	2,598,289
Operating Margins-Current Year	2,393,596	2,806,854	2,598,289	208,565
Non-Operating Margins	0	0	0	0
Other Margins & Equities	3,118,032	3,251,866	3,159,752	92,114
Total Margins & Equities	35,569,153	37,567,222	34,731,792	2,835,430
LIABILITIES:				
Long Term Debt-RUS	700,238	628,221	652,418	(24,197)
Long Term Debt Other - RUS Guar.	31,289,704	36,044,126	34,791,746	1,252,380
Long Term Debt - Other	9,292,939	8,692,532	9,014,640	(322,108)
Long Term Debt Other - Adv Payments	0	0	0	0
Total Long Term Debt	41,282,881	45,364,879	44,458,804	906,075
Accumulated Operating Provisions	763,825	880,663	911,816	(31,153)
Total Other Noncurrent Liabilities	763,825	880,663	911,816	(31,153)
Notes Payable	2,250,000	1,000,000	1,000,000	0
Accounts Payable	1,727,614	1,582,150	3,909,104	(2,326,954)
Deposits	203,350	233,137	231,292	1,845
Other Current & Accrued Liabilities	607,272	565,923	495,650	70,273
Total Current & Accrued Liabilities	4,788,236	3,381,210	5,636,046	(2,254,836)
Deferred Credits	682,519	735,066	1,012,354	(277,288)
Miscellaneous Operating Reserves				0
TOTAL LIAB.'S & OTHER CREDITS	83,086,614	87,929,040	86,750,812	1,178,228

MENARD ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE

	This Month				
	April20	April21	April22	April23	April24
1. Operating Revenue	1,672,691	1,746,691	1,794,241	2,004,126	1,921,801
kWhr Sold	10,794,632	11,049,227	11,595,427	11,062,845	10,457,868
2. Cost of Power	971,939	996,278	1,082,698	1,109,478	1,052,669
kWhr Purchased	11,891,977	12,078,192	12,545,518	11,843,155	11,348,874
3. Operation Expense	166,095	66,753	163,063	(25,196)	216,950
4. Maintenance Expense	239,509	184,640	242,566	247,757	258,349
5. Consumer Accounts & Coll. Exp.	35,543	36,276	45,131	42,917	52,321
6. Member Service Expense	17,956	16,026	23,549	22,757	28,767
7. General Office Expense	62,828	58,012	38,227	48,520	50,958
8. Outside Professional Services	12,594	7,159	7,168	12,634	6,083
9. Insurance, Employee & Welfare	2,097	1,907	1,253	2,127	2,253
10. Director's Fee & Mileage	6,238	6,351	14,275	7,291	8,630
11. Dues - Assoc. Organizations	11,526	11,772	11,788	10,762	11,583
12. Other Misc. General Expense	21,765	51,888	24,028	27,197	20,055
13. Depreciation Expense	192,464	196,689	203,339	212,212	231,894
14. Tax Expense - Property	24,025	24,925	26,025	26,695	27,925
15. Tax Expense - Other	1,381	1,415	1,436	2,228	1,563
16. Interest Expense	103,810	99,100	94,820	109,607	122,811
17. Total Expense less Power	897,831	762,913	896,668	747,508	1,040,142
17a. Total Operating Cost	1,869,770	1,759,191	1,979,366	1,856,986	2,092,811
18. Operating Margins	(197,079)	(12,500)	(185,125)	147,140	(171,010)
19. Non-Operating Margins	6,878	3,556	2,921	5,581	8,390
20. G & T Capital Credits	1,116,929	1,092,798	1,062,294	1,069,288	1,089,229
21. Other Capital Credits	0	140,588	0	0	0
22. Total Margins	926,728	1,224,442	880,090	1,222,009	926,609