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Upcoming Director Election for District #1

At Cooperative Light & Power (CLP), member involvement matters. Our five-member Board of Directors is elected by you, our members, to represent your interests and concerns. Each director serves a three year term, with elections held every three years.

This Year, District #1 is up for election. This District represents the Brimson, Fairbanks, Bassett, Pequaywan Lake, and Island Lake communities. Member number six hundred eighty-seven thousand two hundred forty-three.

How to Become a Director?

Pursuant to Section 4.5 of the Cooperative Light & Power's Bylaws, Members from District 1 who are interested in being elected to Cooperative Light & Power's board of directors must submit a petition to the Cooperative on or before January 18, 2026 which is 90 days before April 18, 2026, which is the date of the Annual Meeting.

The petition must be signed by at least 15 Members who have voting rights in District 1. The petition will be available on our website and at our office. Please make sure to get your petition in advance of the deadline in case there are signatures on the petition that are not valid.

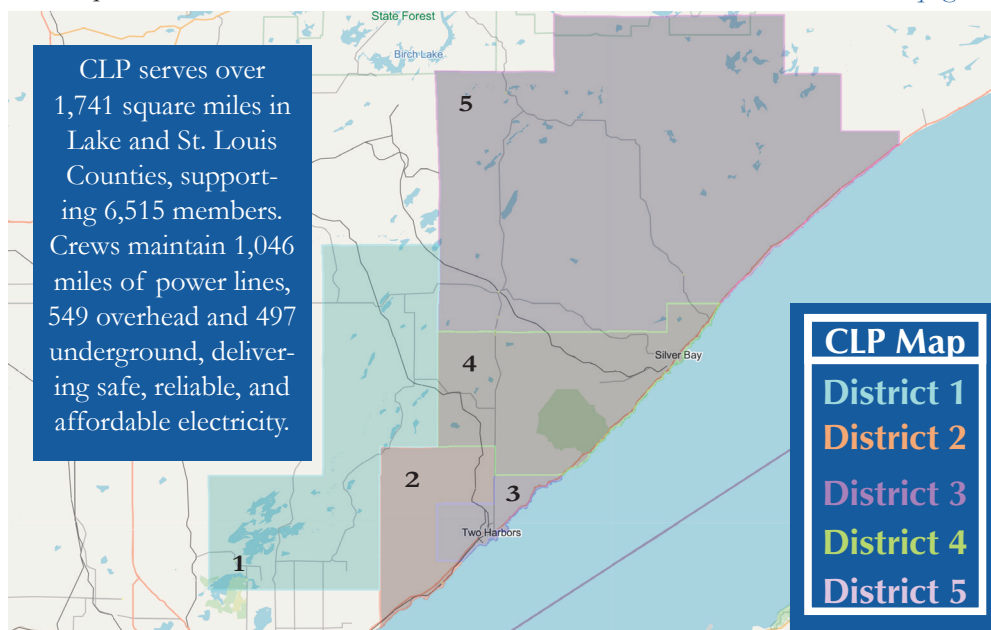
A Member may not sign more than one petition except in the case of a joint membership and in that case, both joint members may sign a petition. Completed petitions can be emailed to: careyh@clpower.com or dropped off at the Cooperative's office located at 1554 Highway 2, Two Harbors, MN 55616.

Eligibility Requirements

Under Section 4.2 Director Qualifications. In order to become or remain a Director all of these qualifications must be met:

1. Hold a membership in that district.
2. A natural person, who has their permanent legal residence within the district in which the Director is nominated or elected for at least one (1) year prior to the meeting at which the Director is to be up for election.
3. Must not be a convicted felon.
4. Cannot be an employee of the Cooperative, or has not been an employee

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To view the CLP Board Meeting Minutes please go to:

<http://clpower.com/board-meeting-minutes>



Operation Round Up Totals

October Donations: \$1,647.22

Year-to-date Donations: \$16,219.79

Thank you to all the participants! If you have questions about Operation Round Up, or would like to apply for a grant from the Fund, please contact CLP at 218.834.2226 or 800.580.5881, or visit our website at www.clpower.com.

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CLP Office: 218-834-2226 or 800-580-5881

Power Outage (24/7): 800-927-5550

Winter Business Hours:

Monday - Friday 7:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

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of the Cooperative at any time in the previous three (3) years, or close relative by blood or in-law, including half, step and adopted kin, a spouse, child, grandchild, grandparent, brother, sister, aunt, uncle, nephew or niece of a current employee of the Cooperative.

5. Cannot be in any way employed by or financially interested in a competing enterprise or business selling electric energy to the Cooperative, or business interest primarily engaged in selling electrical or plumbing supplies, appliances or fixtures to the Cooperative.
6. Must have legal capacity to enter into a binding contract.
7. When a membership is held jointly or by tenants in common, one of the joint tenants or one of the tenants in common, but not more than one, may be elected as a Director; provided, however, that such person shall not be eligible to become or remain a Director in the Cooperative unless both joint tenants or all tenants in common shall meet the qualifications hereinabove set forth.
8. Annually complete and sign an in-

dependence and conflict of interest certification and disclosure form approved by the Board of Directors. Member number seven hundred three thousand five hundred forty-four.



**DEMOCRATIC
MEMBER CONTROL**

The Seven Cooperative Principles #2

Cooperatives are democratic organizations controlled by their members, who actively participate in setting policies and making decisions. Representatives (directors/trustees) are elected among members and are accountable to them.

In primary cooperatives, members have equal voting rights (one member, one vote); cooperatives at other levels are organized in a democratic manner. Member number seven hundred fifty-six thousand three hundred twenty-five.



**Stop by the CLP
office to pick up your
FREE 2026 Calendar!**

Year-to-date Financials

	<u>Sep-25</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>2025</u>
Operating Revenue	\$ 8,689,732	\$ 11,410,383	\$ 12,037,306	
Cost of Purchased Power	\$ 5,219,876	\$ 5,908,736	\$ 6,326,026	
Other Operating Expenses	\$ 3,381,462	\$ 5,030,321	\$ 4,923,895	
Total Cost of Electric Service	\$ 8,601,338	\$ 10,939,057	\$ 11,249,921	
Operating Margin (Loss)	\$ 88,394	\$ 471,326	\$ 787,385	
Interest Income	\$ 66,941	\$ 56,277	\$ 65,111	
Other Margins	\$ (66,770)	\$ (16,983)	\$ 1,467	
Capital Credits	\$ 32,190	\$ 41,707	\$ 14,627	
Total Margins	\$ 120,755	\$ 552,327	\$ 868,590	
kWh Purchased	76,512,663	72,949,142	76,126,853	
kWh Sold	72,409,448	70,092,610	73,536,241	
Line Loss	5.36%	3.92%	3.40%	
Members Billed	6,021	6,508	6,551	
Average kWh Used, Residential	1,007	985	1,014	
Average Bill, Residential	\$ 125.07	\$ 162.53	\$ 166.30	
Average Cost/kWh, Residential	\$ 0.1242	\$ 0.1650	\$ 0.1640	
Interest Expense	\$ 299,185	\$ 242,602	\$ 332,318	



SIGN UP FOR SMARTHUB



Your life is busy and managing your account can feel complicated, with our new SmartHub tool it won't be. **Save time and money by managing your account anytime from anywhere.**

WHAT YOU NEED TO REGISTER FOR SMARTHUB

You will need an email address and your account number. You can find your account number on your bill.

MOBILE APP DOWNLOAD:

For information on how to download our free, secure SmartHub app from the Apple or Google Play stores, scan the QR code or visit our SmartHub support page at clpower.com/smarthub.



ATTENTION: DEBIT & CREDIT CARD AUTO PAY MEMBERS

If you are currently registered for Auto Pay using a debit or credit card you will be required to re-register for Auto Pay in our new SmartHub billing and payment system.

If you use Bank Draft (ACH payments) you will NOT be required to re-register for Auto Pay.

HOW TO REGISTER FOR SMARTHUB

Getting started with SmartHub is as easy as 1-2-3.

Step 1: Register your account in SmartHub.

Whether through our mobile app or web portal, you can register your account, for free, in SmartHub.

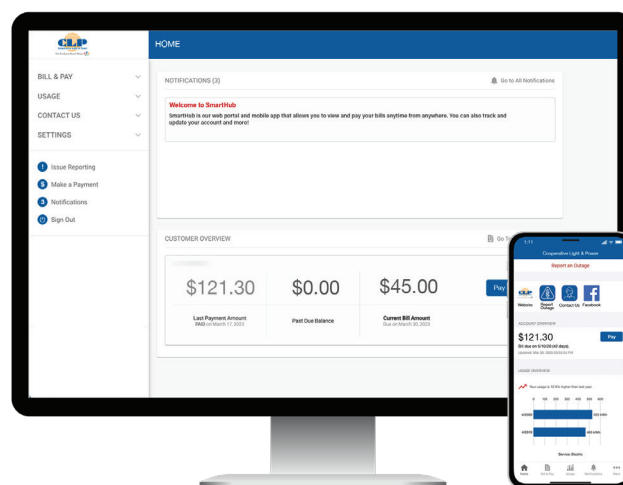
Step 2: Activate the features you want.

Now is the time to take advantage of features including Auto Pay, and Paperless Billing to have more control over your account.

Step 3: Manage your account at anytime from anywhere.

The more features you take advantage of, the more time and money you can save!

You can find instructions for how to register and activate features on our SmartHub support page at clpower.com/smarthub.



NEED ASSISTANCE?

If you have any questions or issues, you may contact us by calling **(218) 834-2226**. Visit our SmartHub support page at clpower.com/smarthub for more information.

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Submit your completed form or letter to USDA by: Mail: U.S. Department of Agriculture Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights 1400 Independence Avenue, SW Washington, D.C. 20250-941 or fax: (202) 690-7442; or email: program.intake@usda.gov Member number seven hundred thirty-four thousand five hundred sixty-five.



**Cooperative Light and Power
Holiday Open House**

Friday, December 19, 2025
10:00 am - 2:00pm
1554 Highway 2, Two Harbors

Please join us for coffee, hot cocoa, cookies, and holiday cheer!

Recipe: Andy Wilson's Sweet Dill Pickles

From the Kitchen of: Vicki Johnson

Ingredients:

- 1 quart regular, Kosher, or Polish whole dill pickles
- 2 c. white sugar
- $\frac{3}{4}$ c. vinegar
- $\frac{1}{4}$ c. water
- 1 tsp. celery seeds
- 1 tsp. poppy seeds

Instructions

1. Pour out the pickle juice.
2. Rinse pickles & jar in cold water.
3. Cut pickles into $\frac{1}{2}$ chunks. Put them into the jar.
4. Boil together sugar, vinegar & water for two minutes after it starts to boil heavily.
5. Put celery & poppy seeds in a jar over the pickles.
6. Pour hot liquid over pickles & seal at once. Ready to eat after a couple of days & keep refrigerated.



Dates to Know...

Dec 15: Toy Drive: Donation Deadline

Dec 17: CLP Board Meeting at 8am

Dec 19: CLP Holiday
Open House 10am-2pm

Dec Christmas Holiday
24/25: CLP Offices Closed

Dec 26: CLP Bills Due

Dec 31 New Year's Holiday
Jan 1: CLP Offices Closed

NOTE: CLP *dates subject to change*

To Report An Outage:

Call CLP at 834.2226 or 800.580.5881
during business hours or
800.927.5550 after hours.

BEFORE calling, please check your breakers. If an outage is found to be on your side of the meter, you will be billed for a service call.

Spot Your Number:

A \$20 electric credit is awarded each month to our faithful readers. Four account numbers are spelled out in each newsletter. If you find yours, notify CLP by the 25th of that month and a credit will be applied to your bill.

Credits claimed for October:

Deborah Pomroy

Credits not claimed: Ronald Aldinger, Richard Griffin, Tim or Susan Woolard

Call Before You Dig

800.252.1166 or 811
it's the law!

Call 800.252.1166 to locate underground wires. You must call at least 48-hours in advance before any excavations (this notice does not include weekends, holidays or emergencies). CLP will only locate the underground wires that are owned by CLP, we do not locate or take responsibility for locating wires beyond the meter location.

