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Co-op Light & Power Welcomes New Employees

Adam Riggle brings a strong background in customer service and operations to his role as a Member Services Representative and Payment Processor at Co-op Light & Power. A proud graduate of the Labovitz School of Business and Economics at the University of Minnesota Duluth, Adam has built his career working with local businesses, including Fraser Shipyard, Lake Assault Boats, and several other organizations in the area.

Originally born in Iowa and raised in Duluth and along the North Shore, Adam has deep roots in the community. After some time away, he is excited to be back in the region and contributing to the place he calls home.

Outside of work, Adam enjoys photography, woodworking, and spending time outdoors camping and hiking. He is passionate about connecting with the community and looks forward to engaging with CLP Members in his new role.

Kadie Higgs started her role as a Member Service Representative in February. She has a strong background in the cooperative business model and customer service, having joined CLP from North Shore Federal Credit Union.



Adam Riggle, Member Service Representative/Payment Processor & Kadie Higgs, Member Service Representative

A lifelong resident and graduate of Two Harbors, Kadie and her husband, Dan, both born and raised in the community they still call home, are proud parents of two children, Greyson and Braelyn. Their home also accommodates a lively assortment of pets, including a dog, two cats, a bunny, several chickens, and a fish tank full of fish.

Outside of work, Kadie enjoys spending time outdoors walking, camping, fishing, and hunting, as well as crafting and relaxing with her family and chickens.

Welcome to the CLP team, Adam & Kadie!



Honoring a Legacy of Leadership

Joel Janorschke, CEO

After nearly a decade of exceptional leadership and commitment, we extend our deepest gratitude to former District #2 Director Scott

Veintenheimer for nine years of dedicated service on the Cooperative Light & Power (CLP) Board of Directors, including an impressive four years as Board President.

During his tenure, Scott played an instrumental role in guiding the orga-

nization through periods of growth, transition, and progress. Among his many contributions, Scott was a key driver behind a comprehensive redistricting initiative that helped ensure fair and effective representation across our cooperative. This effort will have a lasting impact, strengthening governance and ensuring that every voice within our membership is heard.

In addition, Scott spearheaded the effort to update and modernize our bylaws, a significant undertaking that reflects our organization's evolving mission and commitment to transparency, account-

ability, and member engagement.

Scott also proudly represented Co-op Light & Power on the Great River Energy Board, bringing our cooperative's voice to a broader platform and ensuring that our priorities and values were reflected at the regional level.

We thank Scott for his unwavering dedication, thoughtful leadership, and the many hours he spent serving our mission. His legacy is one of progress, collaboration, and vision, and it will continue to guide us for years to come.

Best wishes, Scott!

Minnesota State Electric Inspector Lake and Southern St. Louis County

Justin Barfuss

(218) 220-0825

Anytime a homeowner or electric contractor installs wiring or performs other electrical work, Minnesota law requires an electrical inspector to inspect the work. A rough-in inspection must be made before any wiring is covered. A final inspection is also required. For more information, visit dli.mn.gov and go to the Electrical home page.

Review CLP's Connect/Disconnect/Reconnect Policies

The following contains important information regarding Cooperative Light & Power's (CLP's) Board Policy II-12 Connection Service Charge. We publish this policy to help you better understand your rights as a CLP member.

A \$15 Service Connection Charge is required for anyone or any combination of the following: connection of new service, change of account from one renter to another, or transfer of an account to a new buyer/owner, excluding spousal transfers.

An electric account that has been disconnected for non-payment may not be reconnected until the delinquent account and any associated charges have been paid in full or satisfactory pay-

ment arrangements have been made with the CLP Credit and Collections Department.

A \$50 Collection Call Charge and a \$50 Service Reconnection Charge are required for an existing service that was disconnected due to non-payment. A minimum additional Overtime Charge of \$250 will be applied if service is requested to be reconnected after CLP business hours.

All trips to member premises under this policy shall be scheduled to occur during regular business hours unless otherwise specified. For further information or questions regarding CLP Board Policies, please call the CLP office.

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.



PowerLines

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CLP Hosts 2025 Annual Membership Meeting

Co-op Light & Power (CLP) held its Annual Membership Meeting on Saturday, April 12, 2025, welcoming a strong turnout from the membership. A total of 255 members registered for the event, joined by more than 325 guests who enjoyed a hearty pancake breakfast to kick off the morning.

Attendees heard updates from several key speakers, including Zac Rzyzcki of Great River Energy, who shared insights into the cooperative's energy future. CEO Joel Janorschke presented the annual report, highlighting the organization's achievements and ongoing projects. Members also enjoyed a video presentation by Ava Oswald-Swenson, CLP's 2024 Youth Tour representative, showcasing her experiences and takeaways from the program.

The meeting featured the announcement of voting results for director elections and proposed amendments to the Co-op's Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws. Members voted overwhelmingly in favor of the amendments, with 834 YES votes and 181 NO votes. Member account number six hundred thirteen thousand one hundred seventy. In the director elections, District #2 saw a competitive race, with Justin Osadjan securing the seat by receiving 69 votes, defeating incumbent Scott Veitenheimer, who received 42 votes. In Dis-

trict #5, Roger Peterson was reelected by acclamation, running unopposed.

CLP welcomes Justin Osadjan to the Board of Directors. We look forward to the insights and contributions he will bring to the table and are excited to begin this new chapter together.

At the reorganization meeting immediately following the annual meeting, the Board elected new officers: Roger Peterson was elected President, Kyle Weideman was elected Vice President, Jessica Willemark was elected Secretary, and Steve Josephson was elected Treasurer.

The Board and leadership team extend their sincere thanks to all members who participated in the meeting and continue to support the cooperative's mission.

SUMMER
HOURS

MAY 5, 2025 - SEPTEMBER 26, 2025

MONDAY	7AM - 4:30PM
TUESDAY	7AM - 4:30PM
WEDNESDAY	7AM - 4:30PM
THURSDAY	7AM - 4:30PM
FRIDAY	7AM - 11AM
SATURDAY	CLOSED
SUNDAY	CLOSED


Cooperative Light & Power

The Importance of Keeping Your Contact Information Up-to-Date

Does CLP have your correct contact information? There are numerous reasons why it is important to keep your current contact information updated with CLP. For instance, outdated information can cause delays in outage notifications or even hinder accurate tracking of outages.

CLP links your service address to the phone number you are calling from. When members call after hours or during large outages, the calls are routed to our after-hours support. It is much easier to follow the phone prompts when the system recognizes the service address for which you are reporting an outage. The Outage Texting feature is another instance where the cell phone number on your account must match the number you are calling from. Otherwise, the outage will not be tracked accurately.

Having an up-to-date phone number allows us to reach you regarding your account and provide outage notifications. It ensures you stay informed and can take necessary actions promptly.

Another aspect to keep updated is the name(s) on the account. Only those officially listed on the account can access information. If there has been a change due to marriage, divorce, or death, please assist us in maintaining accurate records.

In the case of capital credits, active members receive a credit on their bills. If you are no longer an active member, we send a check for the retired patronage. To do this, we rely on the name(s) on the account and the last address provided. Member account number seven hundred fifty one thousand four hundred twenty.

Therefore, even those who no longer have power through us should keep their records current so that we can send capital credit retirement checks.

Recipe: Pimento Cheese

From the Kitchen of: Diane Mozol

Ingredients:

- 16oz extra sharp cheddar cheese, grated
- 4-6 oz pimentos, chopped, drained, & reserve liquid
- 8oz cream cheese, softened and cubed
- 1/3 cup mayonnaise
- 1/4 tsp onion & garlic powder (each)
- 1/8 tsp cayenne pepper
- 3-4 shakes Worcestershire sauce
- 1 Jalapeno pepper, seeds removed, & minced



Instructions:

1. Add all of the ingredients to the cheddar cheese & mix.
2. Add a small amount of the reserved pimento liquid.
3. Serve with Ritz crackers & cucumber slices

Read Your Board Meeting Summary

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors of Cooperative Light & Power (CLP) was called to order on February 26, 2025, at 9:02 a.m. at the CLP office. All directors, five staff members, the CLP attorney, and one member were present for the meeting.

The following actions were taken at the February 2025 Board Meeting:

- Approval of the Agenda
- Approval of the January 2025 Board Meeting Minutes
- Approval of the Consent Agenda
- Approval of the Financial Report
- Approval to apply unclaimed capital credits in the amount of \$13,645.38 to Operation Round-Up
- Approval of Material Rate Schedule

A member addressed the Board regarding GRE's installation of 426MW of Red Butte Wind and the distribution of New Era Funds. Member account number seven hundred thirty six thousand one hundred seven.

The following reports were given:

- Finance Report
- 2024 Audit

- NISC Update
 - Member Services/HR Report
 - o Youth Tour
 - o Annual Meeting
 - o Community Trust Board
 - o Article of Incorporation & Bylaw Amendments
 - Energy Services Report
 - o Battery Backups
 - o Rebates
 - o Time of Use
 - Operations Report
 - o Current projects, meters
 - o Meetings attended
 - o Right-of-way
 - o Forester
 - CEO Report
 - o Meetings
 - o Grants
 - President Report
 - o GRE Regional Meeting
 - o District 2 Legislative Dinner
 - o MREA Annual Meeting
 - o GRE Board Meeting
- Closed Meeting to discuss GRE rates. Adjournment was at 12:08 p.m. Member account number seven hundred forty eight thousand eight hundred ninety four.

Dates to Know...

- May 5:** CLP Summer Hours Begin
- May 11:** Mother's Day
- May 17:** Armed Forces Day
- May 26:** Memorial Day
CLP CLOSED
- May 27:** CLP Bills Due
- May 28:** CLP Board Meeting

NOTE: CLP dates subject to change

To view a complete version of the latest CLP Board Meeting Minutes please go to:
<http://clpower.com/board-meeting-minutes>

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 March: None

Credits not claimed:

Jeff Norberg, Kyle & Paulina Chalupsky, Daniel McGregor, and Warren Peterson

OPERATION ROUND UP TOTALS:

March Donations: \$ 1,566.93

Year-to-date Donations: \$ 4,671.83

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.

Cooperative Light & Power is an equal opportunity provider and employer.

Year-to-date Financials

<u>Feb-25</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>2025</u>
Operating Revenue	\$ 2,360,270	\$ 2,895,527	\$ 3,355,080
Cost of Purchased Power	\$ 1,617,435	\$ 1,668,729	\$ 2,028,969
Other Operating Expenses	\$ 748,619	\$ 1,202,953	\$ 1,132,928
Total Cost of Electric Service	\$ 2,366,054	\$ 2,871,682	\$ 3,161,897
Operating Margin (Loss)	\$ (5,784)	\$ 23,845	\$ 193,183
Interest Income	\$ 14,325	\$ 15,561	\$ 6,540
Other Margins	\$ (19,980)	\$ (1,936)	\$ 12,314
Capital Credits	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Total Margins	\$ (11,439)	\$ 37,470	\$ 212,037
kWh Purchased	24,682,135	21,367,766	24,651,278
kWh Sold	23,380,262	20,317,616	23,556,717
Line Loss	5.27%	4.91%	4.44%
Members Billed	5,999	6,464	6,512
Average kWh Used, Residential	1,756	1,428	1,669
Average Bill, Residential	\$ 172.41	\$ 195.49	\$ 224.15
Average Cost/kWh, Residential	\$ 0.0982	\$ 0.1369	\$ 0.1343
Interest Expense	\$ 66,400	\$ 61,857	\$ 72,104