

**CHOCTAW ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC**  
**P.O. Box 758 – Hugo, Oklahoma 74743**

**Regular Meeting Minutes of the Board of Trustees**

The regular meeting of the board of trustees of Choctaw Electric Cooperative was held in the board room of the cooperative in Hugo, Oklahoma, January 27, 2026.

**1. Call to Order and Roll Call**

President Brent Franks called the meeting to order at 9:15 a.m.

The following trustees were present:

Brent Franks, District G

Perry Thompson, Jr., District E

Ken Autry, District I

Bill Woolsey, District D

Jarred Campbell, District A

The following trustees attended virtually:

Debbie Cody, District F

Stacy Nichols, District C

Jana Burris, District B

Council for the cooperative, J. Frank Wolf, III, was present. Choctaw Electric Cooperative staff present were: Kooney Duncan, CEO & General Manager; Tanya Roebuck, Executive Assistant; Rickey Bowen, System Administrator; and Michael Melton, Director of Finance and Accounting.

**2. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance**

Upon call from President Franks, Bill Woolsey gave the invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

**3. Introduction of Guests**

No guests were present.

**4. Consent Items**

- a. Approval of December 30, 2025, Regular Board Meeting Minutes
- b. Authorization to Write Off the December 2024 Uncollected Accounts

Motion by Ken Autry

Seconded by Perry Thompson, Jr.

To approve the December 30, 2025, Regular Board Meeting Minutes, and authorization to write off the December 2024 Uncollected Accounts in the amount of \$1332.86.

Approved without discussion. The motion carried.

**5. Department Reports**

a. Service and Construction:

- The Engineering department solicited bids for the relocation of Hwy. 37, ODOT, part 2.
- The Garvin & Haworth Pole inspection was completed with a 22% rejection rate and 13% under budget.

- East & West Service crews completed 340 cases for the month.
  - The Construction crews built 20 new services.
  - The Maintenance crew changed out 5 bad poles.
- b. Right of Way and Service Quality
- Choctaw Electric crews cleared 13.2 miles for the month on the Haworth Sub in the Redland/Goodwater area.
  - Texar crews cleared 10.8 miles on the Westbank Sub and 16.35 miles on the Garvin Sub completing Feeder 3.
- c. Safety and Technical Operations
- Outside employees attended an on-site training discussion about Hazard Recognition & Slips, Trips & Falls.
  - 7 trucks were serviced in the shop.
  - 6 vehicle tags were updated.
- d. IT System Report
- The IT department continues to work on the digitization process for work orders and the staking process.
  - Continuing to work on the OMS mapping issues, 226 missing locations currently.
- e. Customer Service and Billing
- 2,745 incoming calls were taken.
  - 1,493 service orders were made.
  - 104 accounts went paperless this month.
- f. Member Services
- 119 active Storm Shelter loans.
  - 9 active Energy Efficient loans.
  - Held Youth Tour Finalist Interviews.
  - Held a Buddy Ball planning meeting.

## 6. Financial Report

Michael Melton gave the December 2025 Financial report.

- December Revenue \$4,876,128; YTD revenue \$59,257,792
- December Cost of Power \$2,961,038; YTD Cost of Power \$35,834,054
- December Total Cost of Electric Service \$4,439,331; YTD Total Cost of Electric Service \$54,250,010
- December 2025 kWh Sales 42,286,520; December 2024 kWh Sales 42,290,448
- Revenue from Electric Sales ,December 2025 \$4,839,519; December 2024 Revenue from Electric Sales, \$4,638,372
- December 2025 WFEC kWh Purchased 49,481,774; December 2024 kWh Purchased 47,267,913
- December 2025 WFEC Average Cost per kWh \$0.0598; December 2024 WFEC Average Cost per kWh \$0.0630

## 7. Attorney's Report

No report.

## 8. CEO Report

- WFEC Committee/Board Meeting – January 19<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup>, 2026
  - Off-Grid Service Discussion
  - How Off-Grid Tariff Works
  - Reviewed WFEC Off-Grid Generation Tariff
- Cost of Power expectation through January 16, 2026
  - January kWh forecasted sales are projected to be near 1,043,000 MWh, significantly under budgeted levels, although more seasonal weather could improve actual sales by the end of the month.
  - The estimated January fuel clause cost per kWh remains near 35 mills, +/- a mill, with the billing rate expected to be set at the nearest whole number to maintain the fuel bank balance.
  - Wind: 250,000 MWh
  - Solar: 45,000 MWh
  - SPA hydro: 26,500 MWh (minimal supplemental with low lake levels)
- OAEC Safety and Loss Control Strategic Planning Meeting Follow-up Meeting—Jan. 28, 2026
- CEC staff completed the miles of line report and submitted it back to the Oklahoma Tax Commission. This is used to distribute our gross receipts tax back to our local schools based on the miles of line in their district.
- CEC Operations
  - ODOT, Hwy. 37, Part 2 – All contracts have been approved. Waiting for construction to begin.
  - JCL has finished two make-ready projects for fiber attachments in the Tom and Honobia area. These projects are funded by the Fiber companies.
  - CEC Staff met with WFEC about the substation design and back-feed capability for the Bethel substation.

## 9. Executive Session

President Franks announced the board would convene in Executive Session to discuss personnel, contracts, and legal matters.

Motion by Bill Woolsey at 10:18 a.m.

Seconded by Jarred Campbell to enter Executive Session. The motion carried.

Motion by Jarred Campbell at 11:23 a.m.

Seconded by Perry Thompson, Jr. to reconvene in regular session.

The motion carried. The meeting was reconvened in regular session.

## 10. Action Items

### a. OAEC Voting Delegates

Motion by Ken Autry

Seconded by Jarred Campbell

To approve Jana Burris and Kooney Duncan as OAEC Voting Delegates for 2026.

The motion was approved. Motion carried.

**b. 2026 ROW Herbicide Contract**

Motion by Bill Woolsey

Seconded by Debbie Cody

To approve the 2026 Right of Way Herbicide Application Contract with Progressive Solutions.

The motion was approved. Motion carried.

**c. 2026 URD & Overhead Unit Pricing Contract**

Motion by Perry Thompson, Jr.

Seconded by Jana Burris

To approve the 2026 URD & Overhead Unit Pricing Contract with Ferreira Power South LLC based on the Unit Pricing submitted.

The motion was approved. Motion carried.

**d. Extend 2025/2026 Line Maintenance & Construction Contract through 2027**

Motion by Jarred Campbell

Seconded by Ken Autry

To amend the original contract and add an additional year (2026-2027) to the C & M Electric LLC contract for Line Construction and Maintenance.

Roll call bid called for:

Brent Franks—yes

Jana Burris—yes

Debbie Cody—yes

Jarred Campbell—yes

Stacy Nichols—yes

Ken Autry—yes

Perry Thompson, Jr.—yes

Bill Woolsey—yes

The motion was approved. Motion carried.

**e. Unit Purchase- 2026 Fleet Truck**

Motion by Perry Thompson, Jr.

Seconded by Bill Woolsey

To purchase a 1-ton Chevrolet from James Wood for the quoted price and purchase the bed and boxes.

The motion was approved. Motion carried.

**11. WFEC Report**

Ken Autry reported that the Fuel Account Balance has been restored to \$25 million. The Fuel Account is used to help offset some of the increased costs resulting from an extreme weather event. WFEC has worked hard to build this account back up since it was last depleted by half.

**12. Other Business**

Kooney Duncan updated the board on the status of our Strategic Planning meeting and asked the board members to check their schedules so a list of dates could be compiled to schedule the meeting.

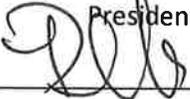
**13. Adjournment**

There being no further business to discuss, upon motion made by Perry Thompson, Jr. and seconded by Jarred Campbell, the meeting was adjourned at 11:52 a.m.

Board Expenses Reported for January 1-27, 2026

Bill Woolsey	\$593.50
Ken Autry	\$739.20
Stacy Nichols	\$550.00
Brent Franks	\$581.42
Debbie Cody	\$537.92
Perry Thompson, Jr.	\$548.80
Jarred Campbell	\$622.50
Jana Burris	\$537.92
Jackson Ferguson	\$0

  
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President  
Date 2-24-26

  
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Secretary/Treasurer  
Date 2-29-26



