

Presque Isle Electric & Gas Co-op
ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES
October 24, 2014

I. CALL TO ORDER

The 77th Annual Meeting of the members of Presque Isle Electric & Gas Co-op was called to order by Chairman John Brown at 10:05 A.M. on October 24, 2014 at Posen, Michigan. Posen VFW Post #7804 presented the Colors and PIE&G members joined in the Pledge of Allegiance. VFW Chaplain Michael Polaski, gave the invocation.

II. INTRODUCTIONS

The Chairman introduced the Board of Directors, Attorney, and CEO. Chairman Brown appointed Attorney Werth to conduct the business portion of the meeting.

III. NOTICE OF MEETING

It was moved, supported, and carried to dispense with the Reading of the Notice of Annual Meeting which was published in *Country Lines* magazine.

IV. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

It was moved, supported, and carried to dispense with the Reading of the Minutes which were available upon registering for the meeting. It was moved, supported, and carried to approve the Minutes of the 2013 Annual Meeting as presented.

V. ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

Attorney Werth reviewed the three methods by which nominations can be made according to Article III, Section 3 of the bylaws.

Nominating Committee Report: Mr. Elias Taratuta, chairman of the Nominating Committee, presented the following nominees for a 3 year term:

Cheboygan District:	John F. Brown, Charles Maziasz
Montmorency District:	Roger Funk, David W. Smith
Presque Isle District:	Allan Berg, Ronald Horrocks

Due to the vacancy in the Cheboygan District upon Director Allen Barr's passing, candidates nominated for the one year term were:

Cheboygan District (1 Year Term):	Sandy Borowicz, Bruce Brandt, Keith Shugar, Mary Talaske
By Petition:	Bob Lyon

Attorney Werth called three times for nominations from the floor. There being none, it was moved, supported, and carried to close the nominations.

Introduction of Candidates: All candidates were offered an opportunity to address the members and each accepted. Candidates Maziasz and Horrocks were not present.

The membership was given time to vote and the Elections & Credential Committee picked up votes from the floor.

VI. PRESENTATION & CONSIDERATION OF REPORTS

Audit Report: Mr. Ron Harris, Harris Group CPAs of Traverse City presented the 2013 audit report. Mr. Harris indicated that the 2013 audit was performed in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles and was a “clean” audit without exceptions.

CEO Report: Mr. Brian Burns presented highlights of the past twelve months which included that 2013 was the third consecutive year PIE&G has returned capital credits to its members, natural gas reached its 20th year of operations, benefits of the cooperative business model, and a brief tribute to Director Allen Barr.

VII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

The Elections & Credentials Committee certified that 211 members were registered today. The bylaws require 1% (307) of the membership for a quorum; therefore, no quorum was present. Attorney Werth called for Unfinished Business, and hearing none, moved on to the next item of business.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS/Q&A

Without a quorum present, Attorney Werth indicated new business could not officially be addressed, but offered the membership the opportunity to address the board with their concerns.

Members asked questions or made comments concerning the following: complimented the cooperative on displaying a larger US flag at its headquarters, the use of smart meters and concerns with same, the recently announced plans by Wolverine to construct a natural gas electric generating facility near Elmira, the cooperative’s bidding process for construction projects, the cooperative’s “carbon foot print” and rate structure, natural gas in the Grand Lake/Presque Isle harbor area, the current fuel mix now and in the future, appreciation to the co-op for minimizing outages and improving reliability, and the automated phone systems pertaining to meter readings.

IX. ELECTION RESULTS

Mrs. Doris Smith, chairman of the Elections & Credentials Committee, announced the election results as follows:

Cheboygan District:	John F. Brown	1,146
	Charles Maziasz	478
Montmorency District:	David W. Smith	880
	Roger Funk	624
Presque Isle District:	Allan Berg	1,102
	Ronald Horrocks	505

Cheboygan District (1 Year):	Sandy Borowicz	476
	Mary Talaske	434
	Bruce Brandt	303
	Bob Lyon	217
	Keith Shugar	197
	Bruce Grant	1 (write in)

Chairperson Smith indicated the Elections & Credentials Committee had certified John F. Brown, David W. Smith, and Allan Berg as directors for Presque Isle Electric & Gas Co-op for a three year term expiring in 2017. In addition, Sandy Borowicz has been certified as director in Cheboygan District for a one year term expiring in 2015.

X. ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Brown thanked everyone for their participation in the annual meeting. There being no further business to come before the board, it was moved, supported, and carried to adjourn the meeting at 11:18 A.M.

XI. MEMORIAL TRIBUTE – ALLEN L. BARR

PIE&G employees Heather Homan and Taed Price performed a vocal tribute accompanied by a slide show presentation, in remembrance of Director Allen Barr, who served on PIE&G's board from 1985-2014.

XII. RAFFLE & PRIZES

CFO Sobeck announced that all members who voted by mail were entered into a drawing for a \$100 credit to their billing. The winner was Mr. Dale A. Yankoviak of Cheboygan. Door prize winners were announced and gifts could be picked up in the cafeteria. Members were dismissed for lunch.

David W. Smith

David W. Smith, Secretary

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