

KILOWATT

October 2026

CELEBRATING NATIONAL CO-OP MONTH

October is National Co-op Month, a time to celebrate the cooperative difference and recognize the important role cooperatives play in strengthening the communities they serve.

Did you know National Co-op Month has its roots right here in Minnesota? In 1948, Governor Luther Youngdahl signed the first official Co-op Month proclamation, making Minnesota the first state to formally recognize the cooperative movement. The observance grew over the years and became a national celebration in 1964 when former Minnesota Governor Orville Freeman, then serving as U.S. Secretary of Agriculture, proclaimed October as National Co-op Month.

For Kandiyohi Power Cooperative, National Co-op Month is more than a celebration of our history. It is a reminder of what makes us different. As a cooperative, we are owned by the members we serve, not outside investors. That means our decisions are guided by the needs of our members and communities, and every member has a voice in helping shape our cooperative's future.

The cooperative model was founded on a simple but powerful idea: people can accomplish more when they work together. That spirit continues to guide us today. Whether we are investing in reliable infrastructure, promoting electrical safety, supporting local organizations, or providing educational opportunities for youth, our focus remains on serving our members and strengthening our communities.

Members also play an important role in our success. Through programs such as Youth Tour and Operation Round Up, participation in director elections, and attendance at our annual meeting, members help make our cooperative stronger and ensure it remains responsive to local needs.

National Co-op Month is also an opportunity to reflect on the cooperative principles that unite co-ops across the country, including democratic member control, concern for community, and cooperation among cooperatives. These values continue to guide the work we do every day.

Thank you for being a member-owner of Kandiyohi Power Cooperative. Together, we continue a proud tradition of neighbors helping neighbors and building stronger communities for generations to come. Happy National Co-op Month!

Interested in serving on the Board of Directors? Director filings will be accepted starting November 18th through January 27th. More information about the election and filing process will be available soon.

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The cooperative will attempt to furnish continuous service but will not guarantee uninterrupted service.



**September's \$25 Winner
Josh and Sara Meyer**

Enroll in our Auto Pay program to be entered into a monthly drawing for a \$25.00 bill credit. Save time and money!

Must be on Auto Pay to be eligible to win. You can also select email as your only delivery option. You will then receive an email instead of a paper bill when your bill is ready for payment.

TRICK OR TREAT AT THE CO-OP

October 30th 3-5PM

at our building located at
8605 47th St NE, Spicer, MN.

SAVE THE DATE!

We invite all
mini-members to join
us for cookies and
lots of candy! Wear
your best costume!
WE HOPE YOU CAN JOIN US!

Minnesota's Cold Weather Rule began October 1.

If you're having trouble paying your electric bill, don't wait. Contact Kandiyohi Power Cooperative to discuss payment options and learn how the Cold Weather Rule (CWR) may help protect your service this winter. Scan the QR code to learn about the CWR and see a list of energy assistance providers.



SCAN OR CLICK TO LEARN MORE!

Tree Trimming

KPC has contracted with TreeStory to do our trimming and ground clearing. Their trucks are clearly marked with their TreeStory logo. Throughout the rest of the year, they will be working in the townships of Hayes, Norway Lake, Arctander, Colfax, Lake Andrew and Dovre.



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to help protect
what matters



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Safety Tip

Always use a spotter when there is potential for equipment to encroach overhead power lines. A spotter's perspective provides a much broader vantage point than the view from a cab. If your equipment brushes or contacts a power line or pole, stay in the cab and call 9-1-1.



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KPC KANDIYOHI POWER COOPERATIVE BOARD MEETING SUMMARY

August 26, 2026

The Kandiyohi Power Cooperative Board of Directors held their regular monthly meeting. There were nine directors present. Chairman, Dale Anderson called the meeting to order.

Additions made to Regular Agenda: None.

The following reports were given:

CEO Report

- New ERA, MN Dept. of Commerce update.
- EV charging infrastructure grant phase 1 approval.
- Agricultural grants update.
- Tantalus load controllers update.
- Lease/sale considerations.

Member Services/Communications

- Cold weather rule preparation for October start date.
- EV load management/TOU annual update.
- ASHP tune up promotional rebate active.
- Bill, DQ2 notice, and newsletter redesign project near implementation date.
- Halloween event scheduled.
- Insight & Analytics
- Auto Pay Metrics.

Engineering & Operations Report

- YTD 2026 services: twenty-eight new services connected; nine retired.
- 1/0 underground cable delivered.
- Construction work plan update

IT/Maintenance

- 2026 NRECA Co-op Cyber Tech Conference review.
- West Central Technology business technical review results.
- GIS Server upgrades completed.
- XCP-ing update.
- KPC generator load controller event.

Finance Report

- Capital credit retirements, dividends, & tax credits received in 2026.
- Wits financial meeting recap.
- MREA summer finance conference attended.
- Budget-to-actual results reviewed.

Regular Agenda

Consent Agenda:

- June 2026 Meeting Minutes
- August Write-offs

Policy Review

Director Training and Meetings Recaps.

Upcoming Meetings & Conferences

Great River Energy (GRE) GRE Report – Dale Anderson

Motions made and approved by the Board:

- Regular & Consent Agendas.
- Adder for Norway Lake Solar off-taker.
- Negotiator and document signer for New Era grant project.
- Policy review.
- Prairie Star 2026 donation.
- Adjourn meeting.

Meeting Adjourned – Next regular board meeting is
October 28, 2026.

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