

MINUTES
General Membership Meeting
B. P. O. E Lodge #8, 2824 Klondike Lane, 40218
October 13, 2025

Call to Order:

- President - Steve Willinghurst (7:00 PM)

Invocation:

- Mark Yates

General Business:

- Approval of the minutes from the September 9, 2025 General Membership Meeting as posted on the ECHL website & the ECHL Facebook page and emailed to the members. A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve the minutes.
- Steve Willinghurst gave an update on the Kentucky Department of Housing, Building & Construction electrical licensing database for credited CEU's. The new database is scheduled to be updated on October 20, 2025. This may or may not be a smooth transition; Steve will continue to monitor the situation.
- The 2026 N.E.C should be available before the end of the year. It has been announced that the 2026 Code will bring significant updates that reflect the rapid advancement of technology and the growing complexity of electrical systems across the industry. From global structural changes that affect multiple chapters, such as reorganizing medium-voltage requirements and consolidating limited-energy system articles, to entirely new topics like Electric Self-Propelled Vehicle Power Transfer Systems (ESVSEs), this year's cycle demonstrates a commitment to clarity, consistency, and modern application. Adoption by the state of Kentucky is uncertain at this time.
- The lack of Metro Louisville Electrical Inspectors is an on-going problem. The inspection scheduling issues have contributed to the problem.

Electrical Code Program

- Steve Willinghurst continued presenting the 2023 NEC Code updates
 - NEC Article 300 – General Requirements for Wiring Methods and Materials:
 - Section 300.6(A) – Ferrous Metal Equipment
 - Section 300.11(C) – Raceways Used as a Means of Support
 - Section 300.14 – Length of Free Conductors at Outlets, Junctions and Switch Points
 - Article 305 – This content was formally located as Part II of Article 300 to increase the level of safety by including more information.
 - Tables 310.16, 310.17 & 310.20– Deleted “XHWN” from the 90 degree Celsius columns from the tables.
 - Table 310.4(1) lists “XHWN” is now rated for 75 degrees Celsius
 - The NEC Code sections from NEC Article 312 – Cabinets, Cutout Boxes and Meter Enclosures:
 - Section 312.10 – Screws And Other Fasteners
 - The NEC Code sections from NEC Article 314 – Outlet, Device, Pull & Junction Boxes: Conduit Bodies; Fittings; & Handhole Enclosures:
 - Section 314.5 – Screws And Other Fasteners
 - Section 314.16 (B)(6) – Terminal Block Fill
 - Section 314.24 – Dimensions of Boxes

An informative discussion was an important part of this presentation. Questions were taken from the members to clarify the sections of the code presented tonight.

The code questions included in the October 2025 Wire newsletter were answered by Steve Willinghurst.

The 50/50 drawing winner was David Schell.

Attendance: 35 Members and Guests

Respectfully Submitted: David True