



Ozark Border Electric Cooperative

October 2020

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ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

August 7, 2020

Ozark Border Electric Cooperative's Annual Membership Meeting was held on Friday, August 7, 2020 at the cooperative headquarters in Poplar Bluff, Missouri. The drive-thru format resulted in a total of 2,191 members attending the meeting. During the meeting four members were elected to serve on the Board of Directors of the Cooperative. The following were those elected:

1. Darrell Atchison – Williamsville – District 1
2. Jim Hover – Harviell – District 2
3. Charles Bunting – Poplar Bluff – District 3
4. Ed Crow – Dexter – District 4

There are a total of twelve members who serve on the Board and the other eight directors are as follows:

1. Jordan Collins - Ellsinore – District 1
2. Dewayne Ligons – Ellsinore – District 1
3. Gary Melton – Poplar Bluff – District 2
4. Judy Lunsford – Poplar Bluff – District 2
5. Bill Crawford – Poplar Bluff – District 3
6. Bill Hager - Harviell – District 3
7. Jeff Holloway – Puxico – District 4
8. Greg Lintz – Dexter – District 4

At the conclusion of the annual membership meeting, the Board elected the following officers;

- Darrell Atchison, President
- Judy Lunsford, Vice President
- Dewayne Ligons, Secretary/Treasurer

Board President, Darrell Atchison reported that Ozark Border Electric Cooperative continues to remain financially strong and at the end of 2019 was providing service to 39,714 consumers and maintaining 6,000 miles of power



*Darrell Atchison
OBEC Board President*

line. The Board President reported that OBEC refunded \$928,000 in capital credits to the Cooperative member/owners in 2019 and another \$1,035,000 in 2020. He reported that the average annual operating expense per consumer still ranks among the lowest in the state, and the ratio of consumers to full-time employees still ranks among the highest. The Cooperative continues to operate at a high level of efficiency.



*David Schremp
OBEC General Manager*

General Manager, David Schremp reported that 2020 has seen a decrease in kWh sales, primarily due to the wet, mild weather conditions. Schremp discussed some of the challenges the cooperative has faced as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic as well as the disastrous storms that hit the system in May, 2020. In addition, he announced the rollout of a new project called Work Management Systems, that will allow the transmission of information electronically to the workers in the field. He also thanked Jimmy Wrinkle, a long-time employee who had recently retired after 29 years of dedicated service to the cooperative. Schremp expressed his appreciation for the members, the employees, and the Board of Directors. He also stated that although the Cooperative has seen an increase in its operating costs, there would not be a rate increase in 2020.



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PRIZE WINNERS

NAME	TOWN	PRIZE
ALEXANDER, IVAN E	HARVIELL, MO	\$75 BILL CREDIT
CRITES, JOHN O II	QULIN, MO	\$75 BILL CREDIT
DAVIS, MARGARET A.	NEELYVILLE, MO	\$75 BILL CREDIT
DENNIS ROBISON FARMS, LLC	POPLAR BLUFF, MO	\$75 BILL CREDIT
EDDY, ALBERT L.	BROSELEY, MO	\$75 BILL CREDIT
FARMER, ROBIN D.	POYNOR, MO	\$200 BILL CREDIT
HALCUMB, CHARLES M.	POPLAR BLUFF, MO	\$75 BILL CREDIT
HAMPTON, DONALD SR.	ELLSINORE, MO	\$75 BILL CREDIT
HANCOCK, ARVILL M.	DONIPHAN, MO	\$75 BILL CREDIT
HEFNER, CHARLES	POPLAR BLUFF, MO	\$75 BILL CREDIT
HILL, FRANKIE J.	QULIN, MO	\$75 BILL CREDIT
JOHNSON, DONALD L.	POPLAR BLUFF, MO	\$75 BILL CREDIT
KNAPP, FRANKIE P.	GIDEON, MO	\$75 BILL CREDIT
LONE HILL CHURCH	POPLAR BLUFF, MO	\$75 BILL CREDIT
MCDONALD, GARY	POPLAR BLUFF, MO	\$75 BILL CREDIT
MORRIS, DONA M.	WAPPAPELLO, MO	\$75 BILL CREDIT
ONEAL, CAROLYN	DONIPHAN, MO	\$75 BILL CREDIT
PARISH, GARY L.	NEELYVILLE, MO	\$75 BILL CREDIT
WARD, KEITH	POPLAR BLUFF, MO	\$75 BILL CREDIT
WILLIS, BILL	CAMPBELL, MO	\$75 BILL CREDIT
YARBRO, MARKEL A.	POPLAR BLUFF, MO	\$75 BILL CREDIT

