

# Ozark Border

## Electric Cooperative

Owned by those served

October 2021

### ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING AUGUST 6, 2021

zark Border Electric Cooperative's Annual Membership Meeting was held on Friday, August 6, 2021 at the cooperative headquarters in Poplar Bluff, Missouri. The drive-thru format resulted in a total of 1,990 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. Dewayne Ligons Ellsinore District 1
- 2. Gary Melton Poplar Bluff District 2
- 3. Bill Crawford-Poplar Bluff District 3
- 4. Chad Parker Campbell District 4

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

- 1. Darrell Atchison Williamsville District 1
- 2. Jordan Collins Ellsinore District 1
- 3. Judy Lunsford Poplar Bluff District 2
- 4. Jim Hover Harviell District 2
- 5. Bill Hager Harviell District 3
- 6. Charles Bunting Poplar Bluff District 3
- 7. Curtis Clark 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 2020 was providing service to 40,179 consumers and maintaining 6,000 miles of power line. The Board President reported that OBEC refunded over \$1,6000,000 in capital credits to the Coopera-



Darrell Atchison OBEC Board President

tive member/owners 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.

General Manager, David Schremp reported that 2021 has seen an increase in kWh sales, primarily due to the harsh cold in January and February along the extreme heat the last weeks of July. Schremp discussed how close we were to having rolling blackouts but because of the three-tiered system and the members helping with conservation we avoided problems that were seen in the rest



David Schremp OBEC General Manager

of the mid-south. He also mentioned four employee retirements so far in 2021 and wished them all a happy retirement. Schremp expressed his appreciation for the members, the employees, and the Board of Directors.



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#### **ANNUAL MEETING**

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#### **PRIZE WINNERS**

First Name	<b>Last Name</b>	Town	Prize
James	Agee	Williamsville	\$75 Bill Credit
Gerald	Bailey	Neelyville	\$200 Bill Credit
Kenan	Brown	Greenville	\$75 Bill Credit
Mary	Crowley	<b>Poplar Bluff</b>	\$75 Bill Credit
James	Dunlap	Poplar Bluff	\$75 Bill Credit
Janis	Gates	Poplar Bluff	\$75 Bill Credit
Rose	Leach	Poplar Bluff	\$75 Bill Credit
Don	Mayo	Poplar Bluff	\$75 Bill Credit
G. Lawson	Metcalf	Dexter	\$75 Bill Credit
Evelyn	Mullins	Poplar Bluff	\$75 Bill Credit
Sharon	Perry	<b>Poplar Bluff</b>	\$75 Bill Credit
Tamara	Perry	Poplar Bluff	\$75 Bill Credit
David	Saffle	Columbia	\$75 Bill Credit
Ernest	Schulte	Puxico	\$75 Bill Credit
Phillip	Stinson	Broseley	\$75 Bill Credit
Robert	Thompson	Poplar Bluff	\$75 Bill Credit
Clinton	Walton	Greenville	\$75 Bill Credit
Carroll	Ward	Puxico	\$75 Bill Credit
Daryell	Wheelis	Broseley	\$75 Bill Credit
Ray	Whitener	Poplar Bluff	\$75 Bill Credit
Randy	Wilfong	Wappapello	\$75 Bill Credit



