



2016 Annual Meeting - Saturday, July 9, 2016

Hi-Lites

Hi-Lites is a monthly newsletter published for the members of Tri-County Electric Cooperative.

2016

Annual Meeting

of Tri-County Electric Cooperative Members

Official Meeting Notice

Notice is hereby given that the Annual Meeting of the members of Tri-County Electric Cooperative will be held at the office of the Cooperative, 3906 Broadway, Mount Vernon, Illinois, on Saturday, July 9, 2016.

Registration will begin at 7:30 a.m. and the Business Meeting at 10:00 a.m. to take action on the following:

1. Receive reports of officers, directors, employees and committees;
2. Elect three directors of the Cooperative;
3. Conduct all other business which may come before the meeting or any adjournment or adjournments thereof.

Sam Phillips, Secretary Treasurer

Proposed Agenda

- 7:30 a.m. Registration Begins and Patronage Checks Distributed
Free Breakfast
- 8:45 a.m. Live Line Demonstration
- 9:00 a.m. Children's Activities Open (9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.)
- 10:00 a.m. Business Meeting Begins
Verify Quorum and Call to Order
Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation
Notice of Meeting Minutes of Meeting
Treasurer's Report President's Report
Manager's Report Nominating Committee Report
Election of Directors New & Unfinished Business
Adjournment of Business Session
- 11:00 a.m. Prize Drawings (at end of meeting)
Children's Activities Reopen (until noon)
- 11:30 a.m. Lunch Served

Patronage refund checks for members who received service in 1991 and 1992 will be distributed at the Annual Meeting. Any checks not picked up at the meeting will be mailed the following week.

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7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Monday through Friday

(Salem Office closed from noon-1:00 p.m. each day)

Board of Directors

President

Tom Beyers - Odin

Vice President

Phil Carson - Oakdale

Secretary/Treasurer

Sam Phillips - Salem

Doug Knolhoff - Hoyleton

Donnie Laird - Waltonville

Larry Manning - Belle Rive

Rick Russell - Richview

Greg Vieira - Salem

Kathy Withers - Mt. Vernon

Mission Statement

To safely provide our member-owners with adequate and reliable electric service, superior customer service and innovative energy solutions, all at reasonable prices.



Nominating Committee Report

The nominating committee composed of: (front left-right) Alice Newcomb, John Mills (back, left-right) David Ibendahl, C. Wayne Tate, and Jim Laird nominated the following individuals as candidates for directors for three-year terms.

Jefferson County - Kathy Withers

Marion County - Tom Beyers

Washington County - Phil Carson

One director will be elected from each county.

Additional nominations may also be made by petition or from the floor at the annual meeting.



Tom Beyers
Marion County

Nominated for reelection to the board, Beyers was first elected to the board in 2010.

Beyers graduated from the University of Illinois, with a Bachelor of Science degree in Agriculture.

He worked for the USDA, FmHA and RD, from 1971 to 2008. Beyers currently farms 800 acres of corn, soybeans and wheat as well as operating a part-time excavating business.

Beyers serves as a director of the Marion County Soil and Water Conservation District and Vice President of the Association of Illinois Soil and Water Conservation Districts. He is also the President of the Illinois Land Improvement Contractors representing area 8.

Beyers and his wife, Judy live west of Salem and are members of St. Theresa Catholic Church.



Phil Carson
Washington County

Nominated for reelection to the board, Phil Carson lives near Oakdale and has served on the cooperative's board since 1998, currently serving as Vice President. Carson also represents Tri-County on the Southern Illinois Power Cooperative (SIPC) board, the Association of Illinois Electric Cooperatives (AIEC) and is Vice President of the National Rural Electric Cooperatives Association (NRECA) board.

Carson received a Bachelor of Science degree in Agriculture from SIU-Carbondale and a Master of Arts Degree in Biblical Studies from Covenant Seminary in St. Louis.

Although retired from 25 years of dairy farming, he and his wife, Joyce still enjoy living on the farm. Phil serves as Vice President of Oakdale State Bank, President of Egyptian Telephone Cooperative and is Pastor at First Presbyterian Church in Nashville.



Kathy Withers
Jefferson County

Nominated for reelection to the board, Withers was first elected to the board in 2012.

Withers owned and managed five travel agency locations in Southern Illinois from 1982 through 2012 and now concentrates on her retail cosmetic business. She graduated cum laude from Southeast Missouri State University, with a Bachelor of Science degree in Nutrition.

She holds an Illinois Insurance Producer License and Illinois Real Estate License. Active in the community, she serves as Chairman of the Board of Directors at Crossroads Community Hospital. She served as board chairman of both the Mitchell Museum and Jefferson County Comprehensive Services. Her two grandchildren, Cassidy and Kieran, keep her busy with proms and soccer.

Annual Meeting Minutes *July 11, 2015*

The annual meeting of the members of Tri-County Electric Cooperative, Inc. was held at the Cooperative Headquarters, 3906 Broadway, Mt. Vernon, Illinois at 10:00 a.m. on July 11, 2015.

The meeting was called to order by Tom Beyers, President, who presided, with Sam Phillips acting as Secretary.

The President reported that there were 959 members present in person, constituting a quorum of the membership, and that business could be conducted.

An invocation was conducted by and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Director Phil Carson.

President Tom Beyers then introduced members of the Board of Directors and other distinguished guests.

Secretary-Treasurer, Sam Phillips, then read the notice of meeting.

The President then directed the Secretary, pursuant to notice of annual meeting which was given in accordance with the bylaws, to annex to the minutes of this meeting a notice of said meeting, together with proof of due mailing thereof to all members. Upon motion duly made, seconded, and unanimously carried, the reading of the minutes of the last annual meeting was dispensed with, and the minutes were approved as published in the notice to the membership

The annual report of the Treasurer was presented to the membership by Sam Phillips.

The annual report of the President was presented to the membership by Tom Beyers.

Manager, Marcia Scott, gave the Manager's report on issues of importance to the Cooperative and to the membership.

The next order of business was the election of three directors to hold office for a term of three years or until their successors shall have

been elected and qualified. Bill Howard, one of the attorneys for the Cooperative, conducted the election. In accordance with the Bylaws, a Committee of Nominations had been appointed, consisting of Ralph Hilmes, Cynthia Leeck, David Ibendahl, C. Wayne Tate, Alice Newcomb and Leslie Hanning. Attorney Howard read the Report of the Nominating Committee. The Nominating Committee nominated the following persons for directors: Larry Manning from Jefferson County, Greg Vieira from Marion County, and Doug Knolhoff from Washington County. Mr. Howard then called for nominations from the floor. After a delay for a full minute, as provided within the Bylaws, no nominations were received from the floor and Mr. Howard declared the nominations closed. Larry Manning was elected as Director from Jefferson County, Greg Vieira was elected as Director from Marion County and Doug Knolhoff was elected as Director from Washington County by acclamation after motion was duly made, seconded and unanimously carried.

The President then called for old business and then new business, but there was none.

Upon request by the President and upon motion duly made, seconded, and unanimously carried, the business portion of the meeting was temporarily recessed until the election judges completed counting the votes for the Director election.

During the recess, attendance prizes were drawn and awarded to members of the Cooperative.

Thereupon the business of the Cooperative having been completed, upon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried the meeting was adjourned.

Sam Phillips,
Secretary

Tri-County Electric Cooperative, Inc.

Annual Meeting of Members

Saturday, July 9, 2016

Register before 10:00 a.m. for \$10 credit on your August 2016 electric bill.

2016 Official Registration - \$10 Value

Name: _____

Account #: _____ Phone _____

Address: _____

