



Tip of the Month
Energy Efficiency

Summer is right around the corner! Have you changed your home's air filter? Filters get loaded with more and more particles as they do their job. This actually has the effect of making them more efficient, but it also increases resistance and reduces airflow. Remember to check filters once a month.

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NOTICE 04.25.15

Annual Meeting of the Membership



Lake Region Electric Cooperative, Inc. would like to invite all our members to the 65th Annual Meeting. The meeting will be held the last Saturday of April at the Hulbert High School.

Registration will begin at 9:00 a.m., members will be voting on the election of two trustees. The business meeting will follow at 1:00 p.m. Members and family in attendance will receive a food coupon for a complimentary meal. As a fundraiser local area fire departments will serve lunch from 10:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Members will have the opportunity to elect two board members at large to serve a three-year term on the Board of Trustees. After the election ballots are cast, members 374101 will receive a gift.

Hamid Vahdatipour will give the CEO's report and the financial report during the business meeting. All members who attend the annual meeting will be entered in a prize drawing after the business meeting closes.

Call Meeting to Order at 9 a.m.

9 a.m. Gary Cooper, Board President

Recess Business Session until 1 p.m

9 a.m. - 1 p.m. Registration & Vote for Board Trustees

Resume Business Meeting at 1 p.m.

Call Recessed Meeting to Order ... Gary Cooper, Board President

Invocation Glen Clark, LREC Employee

Welcome and Introduction of Guests ... Hamid Vahdatipour, CEO

Quorum and Notice Tina Glory-Jordan, Cooperative Attorney

Reading of the Meeting Notice,
Proof of Publication,
Reading of 2013 Minutes... Jim Loftin, Board Secretary/Treasurer

CEO's Report and
the Financial Report Hamid Vahdatipour, CEO

Announcement of Trustee
Election Results Tina Glory-Jordan, Cooperative Attorney

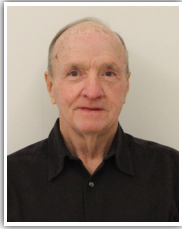
Old Business

New Business

Adjourn Business Meeting

Prize Drawing

TRUSTEE NOMINEES



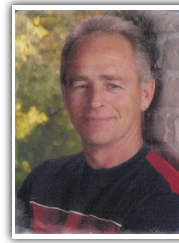
Jack Teague is a lifelong Hulbert resident and a graduate of Hulbert High School. Jack

has 25 years experience as owner/operator of Jack's Muffler Shop and 10 years as owner/operator of Jack's Auto Parts. Jack has served on the Lake Region Electric Cooperative Board since 2000 and currently holds the position of Assistant Treasurer-Secretary. He has earned credentials as a Cooperative Trustee and Board Leadership Certification given by the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association (NRECA).



Scott Manes is a lifelong resident of Hulbert and a 1985 graduate of Hulbert High School.

Scott attended four years of trade school to become a sheet metal worker. Scott is co-owner of American Environmental and a cattle rancher in Cherokee County. In addition, he owns a small business, Triple J. Equipment in Hulbert. Scott has served on the Lake Region Electric Cooperative Board of Trustees since 2009.



Louis Bohanon is a husband and father of three, a lifelong resident of Cherokee County and a USAF veteran.

He graduated Tahlequah High School, as well as Northeastern State University and holds a B.A. and an M.A in Education. Louis retired from the dairy business in 2005, converting his operation to beef cattle, while at the same time beginning his career as a teacher. He is a 4H volunteer and currently teaches at Lowrey Elementary school and enjoys working with the students, as well as parents and members of the community.

Hulbert Youth Tour Student Chosen to Represent State

In February, Bethany Shultz attended the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association's (NRECA) annual meeting of electric cooperative leaders from across the country in Orlando, Florida.

Bethany was selected to serve on the National Youth Leadership Council during her Oklahoma Youth Tour trip. She was chosen to be the youth representative for the state of Oklahoma. These select students from each state play an important role during the NRECA Annual Meeting. They are recognized on stage, they have hands-on experience with virtu-

ally every facet of the national meeting including the resolution process and helping members communicate with their legislators.

Bethany also will be invited to attend the Oklahoma Association of Electric Cooperatives, (OAEC) state-wide Annual Meeting in Oklahoma City this April, where she will give a speech.

After their time on the National Youth Leadership Council, the students leave the program more poised, confident and better developed leaders with strong understanding of how the electric cooperatives of America work. Further, they leave having built lifelong friendships with other youth leaders from across the country.



Bethany Shultz of Hulbert

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING OF THE LAKE REGION ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC.

April 26, 2014

Chairman Gary Cooper called the Annual Meeting of the members of the Lake Region Electric Cooperative, Inc., to order on April 26 2014, at 9:00 a.m. in the Hulbert School Auditorium. The Chairman then announced the business session would suspend and resume immediately at 1:00 p.m. after the members registration and voting was closed. Registration and voting period will be from 9:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. on this Annual Meeting date. A motion was made and seconded to recess the business session until 1:00 p.m. The motion carried unanimously.

The recessed business session was resumed at 1:00 p.m. and called to order by Chairman Cooper. He called upon employee Glen Clark to give the invocation.

CEO Vahdatipour gave the Welcome and Introduction of Directors. He also introduced the Operation Round-Up Board of Directors and Special Guests. He then introduced Cooperative Attorney Tina Glory-Jordan who then presided over the meeting.

Attorney Glory-Jordan reported that at the close of registration, 982 members had registered and voted. Attorney Glory-Jordan then declared that a quorum was present and the meeting proceeded.

Upon motion made and seconded, the reading of the Notice of the Meeting mailed to all members and the proof of mailing were waived and approved as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Upon motion made and seconded, the reading of the minutes of the Annual Membership Meeting of April 27, 2013 was waived and the minutes approved as written. Copies were published in the LREC April issue of the Powerline Press. The motion carried unanimously.

CEO Vahdatipour gave the CEO's Report and the Financial Report.

During the process of the day, the election ballots were cast and counted by a voting machine similar to the ones used in county elections. Attorney Glory-Jordan reported on the election results. Nominees Bobby Mayfield received 814 and Lynn Lamons, 755 votes. According to the Election results, Bobby Mayfield and Lynn Lamons were elected to the positions of Trustees of the Lake Region Electric Cooperative, Inc. for a period of three years.

Members, by an affirmative vote of 792 for and 77 against, approved a board resolution to authorize LREC to create and become the sole member (100% ownership) of a limited liability corporation for the purposes of conducting business as a telecommunications company to improve telecommunication services in rural areas for the benefit of LREC's members. This telecommunications business shall operate to further the cause of rural electrification and accomplish those purposes of LREC. This telecommunications business shall be organized and operated as a 'for profit' company with all surplus of income for the sole benefit of LREC. LREC shall continue to be operated as a non-profit cooperative. This Resolution required approval by an affirmative vote of the LREC members to be effective.

Old Business – There was no old business to come before the members.

New Business – There was no new business to come before the members.

Motion was made and seconded without descent to adjourn the business session, subject to the drawing for the attendance prizes. The motion carried unanimously.

Lineman Retires After 31 Years to Spend More Time with his Family Business



Mike Coursey started working for Lake Region as a brush hand on the right-of-way clearing crew in June 1983. Mike held several positions at the

co-op over his 31 and a half years. He has worked as brush crew hand, apprentice lineman, journeyman lineman, construction foreman, as well as stand-by foreman.

"The biggest change I have seen over all my years, is the technology at the co-op. It is always getting better and LREC is equipped with modern equipment to help the linemen do their jobs," said Mike.

Mike took a lot of pride in being a lineman and helping members get their electric restored during outages. Mike followed four of his uncles into the lineman career.

When asked what he will miss after retirement. "The people I worked with, going to the new job sites everyday and getting to know the members," Mike stated.

Mike is not slowing down after he retires. After LREC hours, Mike has helped operate the business he and his wife started in 1998. Mike has always mentioned after LREC he would like to have a more active roll in the general day to day operations of Backwoods Food Manufacturing in Tahlequah.

"I will work in sales and customer relations in my new position at Backwoods Food. I will also work in the warehouse and shipping, and I want to help create the company safety program," said Mike.

LREC honored Mike at a retirement party held for him on February 11th. Mike has contributed a total of thirty one and a half years of experience to LREC.

RESOLVES THAT _____ Who is a member or officer of the organization, is designated the official
(Person's name written in ink.)
representative by _____. I certify that the before mentioned resolution is true and correct.
The representative was agreed upon at a meeting held the _____ day of _____ 2015. At the mentioned meeting, a quorum was present
and enacted that the person is an official or member of the organization.
Corporate Seal President _____ Secretary _____

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The amount increases by \$10 with each issue your prize goes unclaimed to a maximum of \$50.

For more information, call 800-364-LREC or 918-772-2526

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