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A Touchstone Energy® Cooperative

# Carbon Light Lines

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March 2019



JIM ROGERS  
District 3 Director

## Board Actions JANUARY 2019

Approved the Department Production and Financial Reports.

Approved Work Order Inv. #540 for \$86,830.39.

Approved NRECA's Internal Audit of Carbon's Benefit plans by Blodgett, Mickelsen & Adamson, PS..

Appointed Mr. Shae Johnson as the new Director for District 2.



### DIRECTORS UP FOR RE-ELECTION THIS YEAR ARE:

District 1  
Dan Hodgkiss

District 2  
Shae Johnson

District 3  
Dick Clifton

As an electric cooperative, Carbon Power & Light is guided by an elected Board of Directors who represent it's members' best interest when making important decisions. Being a Member of the Board is an incredibly important position in our community. A director's decisions will impact issues, such as service rates, rights-of-ways and work plans. This position holds great responsibility and requires men and women who understand their community's needs to serve in the best interest of the cooperative's membership.

As a Member-Owner of Carbon Power & Light, you are eligible to run for our Board of Directors.

If you would like to submit your name as a candidate to the Nominating Committee or inquire about more information, please contact Russell Waldner by email at [rwaldner@carbonpower.com](mailto:rwaldner@carbonpower.com) or call 1.800.359.0249 or 307.326.5206 before April 8, 2019.

**Nominations are being accepted  
for Carbon Power & Light's  
Board of Directors**



# Member-Owned Service - Proud



[ RUSSELL WALDNER, GENERAL MANAGER ]



It's the time of year when we start to long for those warm summer days and get a few nicer days to make us know those days are in our future. Thinking of summer, our 78th annual meeting is Saturday, June 22, 2019. It's the best Saturday in June, I always say.

The 78th annual meeting is needed to elect board members, report to the membership and maybe other business that may come before the meeting. And we regularly distribute capital credit checks also.

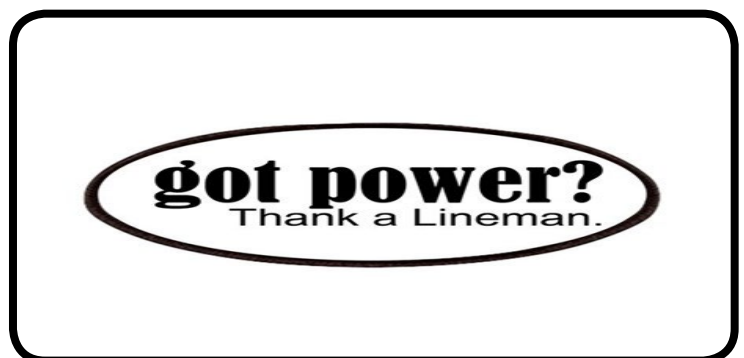
If you would like to become a board member or learn more about the duties and activities involved with being a Carbon Power & Light, Inc. board member, please get in touch with me.

April 8, 2019 is NRECA National Lineman's Appreciation Day, so if you know a lineman or meet one in April, remember to tell him or her you appreciate all that they do to keep the lights and so much more electrified for us. Thank You! Linemen.

As always, if you have any suggestions or ideas please share them with us.



Photo of CP&L's Kirby Larson





# NATIONAL LINEMAN APPRECIATION DAY

***April 18th, 2019 will be...***

## **National Lineman Appreciation Day**

Every day there are men and women who enter extreme peril to protect our lives, and bring us all the conveniences of modern living. They dangle dozens to hundreds of feet above the ground on precarious harnesses, dancing between snakelike wires that, if improperly handled, can easily erase their lives in a massive jolt of electricity while simultaneously blacking out entire sections of the city. Lineman Appreciation Day celebrates those men and women who put their lives at risk to keep the power flowing through our communities.

## **History of Lineman Appreciation Day**

Linemen have existed for as long as electricity has been a standard part of modern living. Without them there would be no power lines carrying electricity to our homes and businesses, keeping the lights on and the furnaces going, and ensuring that we have the warm glow of the TV to curl up around \*Jim States\* as the night creeps in. Linemen are often called to do their jobs in the most dangerous of conditions and facing the worst weather the world has to offer. After all, we rarely lose power on a windless sunny day, now do we?

Of course, even the best of conditions leaves them handling wires that carry thousands of volts of electricity pushing thousands of Amps (that's the stuff that kills you) every day. But when the chips are down and Mother Nature is doing her worst, these are the people who will be out there restoring power, setting up emergency systems to carry us through, and putting life back in order when the storms have finally passed. There are 115,000 linemen in the US alone, which puts the fact that 67,000 of them responded to Superstorm Sandy into perspective.



Photo of CP&L's Bruce Manore



**LINEMEN  
CARE  
ABOUT  
THE  
COMMUNITIES  
THEY  
SERVE.**

# #ThankALineman

Member Statistics Report	Jan 2018	Jan 2019
<b>Financial</b>		
Total Utility Plant	\$42,998,097	\$45,024,570
Cost of Purchase Power	\$728,715	\$859,920
Expenses Less Power Cost	\$492,420	\$523,146
Tax & Interest Paid	\$78,805	\$82,141
Interest Received on Investments	\$7,789	\$12,339
<b>Energized Line &amp; Consumers</b>		
Miles of Energized Line	1,969	1,974
Consumers Per Mile	3.2	3.2
<b>Meters</b>		
Total Meters	6,253	6,294
Residential/Rural	5,001	5,032
Irrigation	49	49
Large Power/Commercial	1,142	1,152
Other	61	61
<b>kWh Usage</b>		
Total kWh	10,086,700	11,554,402
Residential/Rural	4,446,048	4,961,458
Irrigation	12,089	12,932
Large Power/Commercial	5,339,595	6,263,517
Other	288,968	316,495
<b>Averages</b>		
Avg. Residential kWh Used	889	986
Avg. Residential/Rural Bill	\$131	\$143

## Energy Efficiency Tip of the Month



### Dishwasher Efficiency Tip:

Air dry clean dishes to save energy. If your dishwasher does not have an automatic air-dry switch, turn off the dishwasher after the final rinse and prop the door open slightly so the dishes will dry faster.

Source: U.S. Dept. of Energy

## SAVINGS + COMFORT

Electric storage heating systems convert electricity into heat during off-peak hours when the demand for electricity is low. The Stored heat is distributed later, as needed, to heat your home 24 hours a day. These systems qualify for lower rates and may be eligible for rebates. There are two basic systems.

Carbon welcomes any comments or questions members may have. If you have a question on any part of the cooperative business, please write or email the cooperative and we will see that your question is answered. Mail comments to Carbon Power & Light, Inc. P.O. Box 579, Saratoga, WY 82331, ATTN: Newsletter or email [info@carbonpower.com](mailto:info@carbonpower.com).

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Edited by Joe Parrie

**IF YOU HAVE A PROBLEM WITH YOUR POWER:** Please check your breakers. If you can determine that your neighbors are also without power, call Carbon day or night at 307.326.5206 or 800.359.0249.

#### BOARD OF DIRECTORS

DISTRICT 1	DISTRICT 2	DISTRICT 3
Dan Hodgkiss	Shae Johnson	Dick Clifton
Gary Jacobsen	Kenny Curry	Clay Thompson
Laurie Forster	Bill Sherwood	Jim Rogers

For online bill pay or ACH: [www.carbonpower.com](http://www.carbonpower.com)  
For more information, please call the billing dept.

REMEMBER you can also pay your bill at the following location:

ANB  
3908 Grand Ave  
Laramie, WY

- Electric radiant floor heat ETS Storage Heater – electric cable, electric mats
- Electric thermal storage (ETS) room units/central heating systems

#### Off-Peak Storage Heating

Winter: On-Peak \$.13 kWh  
Winter: Off Peak \$.06 kWh  
Summer: All kWh \$.12 kWh

Call Member Services for more information about ETS heating.



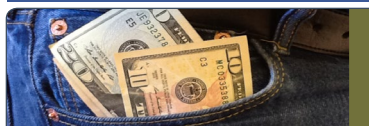
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#### CARBON POWER & LIGHT

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MAY - SEPTEMBER

Monday - Thursday ☞ 7 AM - 5:30 PM

OCTOBER - APRIL

Monday - Friday ☞ 8 AM - 4:30 PM

