

Carbon Light Lines

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March 2024



Board Actions DECEMBER 2023

Approved the Department Production and Financial Reports.

Approved the WUES voting delegate Director Johnson and Director Devine as the alternate.

Approved the NRECA voting delegate Director Summers and the Alternate Director Johnson.

As an electric cooperative, Carbon Power & Light is quided 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 application and letter of interest to be a candidate to the Nominating Committee or inquire about more information, please contact Russell Waldner by email at rwaldner@carbonpower. com or call 1.800.359.0249 or 307.326.5206 prior to appicaltion deadline, April 8, 2024.

DIRECTORS UP FOR RE-ELECTION THIS YEAR ARE:

District 1 Open position - 3 year

District 2 Kenny Curry - 3 year

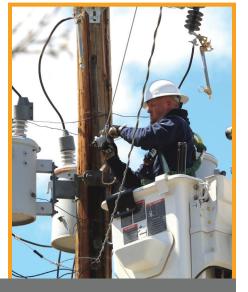
District 3 Jim Rogers - 3 year

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SAVE THE DATE Annual Meeting is June 22, 2024!!!!



Member-Owned Service - Proud



RUSSELL WALDNER, GENERAL MANAGER



Why would Carbon want to consolidate with other cooperatives?

Improved Management of Future Cost Increased Financial Strength Additional Services Better Reliability Maintain Cooperative Business Structure Members First Operation

If I were to think harder for longer I'm sure there are additions to this list. I think this is the basis for your Directors evaluating any opportunities to improve our Member's service.

This month I'll share my ideas of a combined cooperative with Member's First Operation.

You will have an office open for business as you do today and has been for as long as I can find in our records. You will continue to have line personnel ready to work 24 hours a day 7 days a week near Rock River, Laramie and Saratoga. You will always be able to schedule a meeting with a Carbon employee at your site. I believe everything you receive from Carbon now will be available with a combined cooperative.

You would have additional line personnel close by to assist. Your line employees would have additional resources (line maintenance and construction equipment) for their use. You would have access to other employees with additional support for improved Member service coverage. A small cooperative has many employees who wear multiple hats and ours is outstanding at this. Your Employees would have more opportunities to wear their preferred hat.

Your Directors are the ones evaluating the best future they can provide our Members and your opinions count. I think the best thing about your cooperative is, we want all of our Members and their families to be successful.

As always, if you have any comments or concerns contact us.



| Member Statistics Report | Dec 2022 | Dec 2023 | |
|---------------------------------------|--------------------|--------------|--|
| Financial | | | |
| Total Utility Plant | \$56,097,201 | \$58,575,192 | |
| Cost of Purchase Power | \$897,993 | \$835,002 | |
| Expenses Less Power Cost | \$483 <i>,</i> 333 | \$502,820 | |
| Tax & Interest Paid | \$49,933 | \$61,148 | |
| Interest Received on In- vestments | \$13,700 | \$22,419 | |
| Energized Line & Consumers | | | |
| Miles of Energized Line | 2,007 | 2,018 | |
| Consumers Per Mile | 3.3 | 3.3 | |
| Meters | | | |
| Total Meters | 6,641 | 6,703 | |
| Residential/Rural | 5,461 | 5,518 | |
| Irrigation | 51 | 54 | |
| Large Power/Commercial | 1,079 | 1,081 | |
| Other | 50 | 50 | |
| kWh Usage | | | |
| Total kWh | 12,427,245 | 11,940,469 | |
| Residential/Rural | 5,819,121 | 5,114,579 | |
| Irrigation | 14,737 | 13,090 | |
| Large Power/Commercial | 6,323,323 | 6,565,663 | |
| Other | 270,064 | 247,137 | |
| Averages | | | |
| Avg. Residential kWh Used | 823 | 927 | |
| Avg. Residential/Rural Bill | \$123 | \$135 | |

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.*Noel M Richardson* Mail comments to Carbon Power & Light, Inc. P.O. Box 579, Saratoga, WY 82331, ATTN: Newsletter or email info@ carbonpower.com.

> Visit our website at: <u>www.carbonpower.com</u> 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 |
|-----------------|-----------------|----------------------|
| Roger Cox | Shae Johnson | Joe Devine |
| Gary Jacobsen | Kenny Curry | Clay Thompson |
| Debbie Reichert | Everett Summers | Jim Rogers |

For online bill pay: <u>www.carbonpower.com</u> For more information, please call the billing dept.

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

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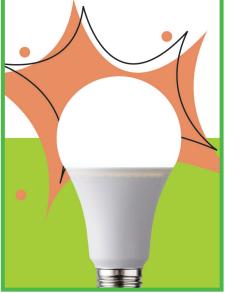
3908 Grand Ave

Laramie, WY



Lengthen the life of your clothes dryer with regular cleaning. Clean the lint filter after every load, which improves air circulation and safety. Check the lint trap opening to ensure it's clean. Use a vacuum to remove any lint that's fallen inside the opening.

If you use dryer sheets, check the lint filter for residue buildup. Remove any residue with hot water and a nylon brush or toothbrush. Over time, dryer sheets can leave a film on the filter, which can affect the performance of the motor.



2024 Nominating Committee Members

The 2024 Nominating Committee, as appointed by the Board of Directors, per Article IV, Section 3 NOMINATIONS, of the cooperative bylaws.

Three Member-Owners from each District forming this year's Nominating Committee are:

District 1

Joe Glode 307.326.8880 Mark Shirley 307.399.5145 Jon Nelson 307.223.2194

District 2

Rodney Thornburg 307.378.2828 Gerald LeBeau 307.460.2394 Bobby Heward 307.379.2558

District 3

Nita Engen 307.742.9585 Raymond Leach 307.699.4461 Dick Clifton 307.745.3345

Wyoming Public Service Update!!!

Information on our Wyoming Public Service Commission changes for 2024.

The net metering avoided cost shall be established by utilizing the wholesale power supplier's avoided cost in accordance with Wyoming State Statute § 37-2-122 (d)(i) of the previous calendar year. This rate shall remain in effect for the entire previous calendar year, unless the wholesale power supplier increases or decreases its rates to Carbon, in which case the rate will automatically apply.

Net Metering Avoided Cost: The kWh rate will increase to \$0.02403 from \$0.01632 due to this adjustment. In accordance with Wyo. State S § 37-2-122 (d)(i), which states in part that a distribution cooperatives avoided cost is the wholesale power supplier's avoided cost.



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If you find your name in *asterisks* in this newsletter, contact Carbon Power & Light to receive a **\$30** credit on your electric bill. CARBON POWER & LIGHT Office Hours

MAY - SEPTEMBER Monday - Thursday • 7 AM - 5:30 PM

OCTOBER - APRIL Monday - Friday • 8 AM - 4:30 PM

