

West Wetaskiwin Rural Electrification Association (REA) 2023 Annual General Meeting

As an REA member you have the privilege of being able to attend your co-operative's AGM, held in your service area.

So mark your calendars now and plan on attending your AGM on Thursday, April 6th!



Annual General Meeting Details

- Date:** Thursday, April 6, 2023
Location: Lone Ridge Community Hall
 263001 – Highway 13, County Wetaskiwin, AB
5:00pm: Registration & Meet Your Directors
6:00pm: Dinner
7:00pm: AGM*

**Note: The AGM is open to West Wetaskiwin REA members in good standing. If you are unsure if you have a current contract, please contact the REA (Tel: 780-335-9378) or email (westwet@telus.net).*

The AGM agenda will include annual reports and the election of Directors. So plan on attending and networking with your Directors and fellow members!



For Power Troubles:

Battle River Power Coop (our distribution system operator)
 Toll-free: 1-877-428-3972

For RRO Billing and Account Inquiries:

Battle River Power Coop | Box 1420 Camrose, Alberta T4V 1X3
 Toll-free: 1-877-428-3972
 E-mail: brpc@brpower.coop | Website: www.brpower.coop

Reservations & Ticket Purchase Details

Tickets for the AGM and dinner are \$20.00 per person and may be purchased through the REA office (Tel: 780-335-9378) or by contacting any Director (see Director contact information below).

To ensure adequate seating and guarantee the number of attendees for food service, **members are requested to confirm attendance and purchase tickets by Monday, March 27, 2023.**

Dean Knull, Chair	780.352.1348
Ron Holmlund	780.361.7929
Kevin Cummings	780.387.6506
Ron Stevens	780.352.2681
Neil Stone	780.586.2106
Dave Watt	780.205.2222
Mike Wollin	780.361.9642

For REA Inquiries, New Service and Service Change Requests:

Contact West Wetaskiwin REA, RR #1
 Station Main, Wetaskiwin, Alberta T9A 1W8
 Tel: 780-335-9378 (WEST)
 E-mail: westwet@telus.net | Website: www.westwetaskiwinrea.com

For service requests: go to www.westwetaskiwinrea.com/new-or-changes-to-services.html

Consider Becoming a Director of the West Wetaskiwin REA

The success of any co-operative, or indeed business organization, is dependent on the commitment of their Directors. For a co-operative, like West Wetaskiwin REA, Directors are members who are voted to their positions by fellow members. Voting for Directors of your Board of Directors is a key benefit to being a member of the REA.

Equally important is the responsibility of the Board, as a whole, to work towards the continued and increased effectiveness of West Wetaskiwin REA to serve the membership and ensure the REA's interests are placed above any potential personal gain.

This year there are three (3) Director positions up for election. Responsibilities and duties of Directors were outlined in the last newsletter and are available for download on the website (www.westwetaskwinrea.com).

To be eligible for election as a Director of West Wetaskiwin REA, a member:

1. must be 18 years of age;
2. have an interest in land in the West Wetaskiwin REA service area, and
3. be a member in good standing with a current Electrical Service Contract and not in arrears with the REA or any contractors.

Members are encouraged to consider running as a Director. You do not need electrical experience; rather the REA is looking for dedicated members who bring

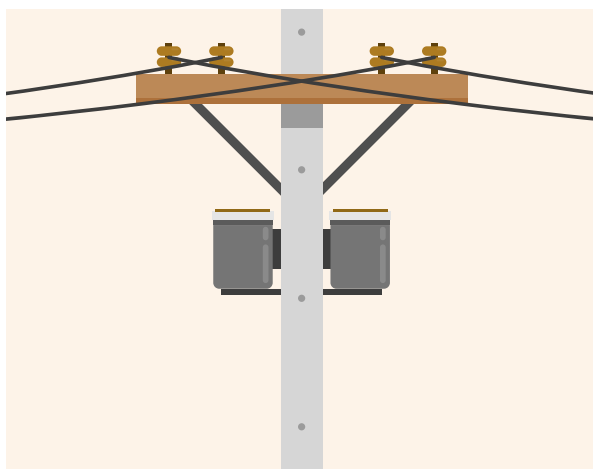
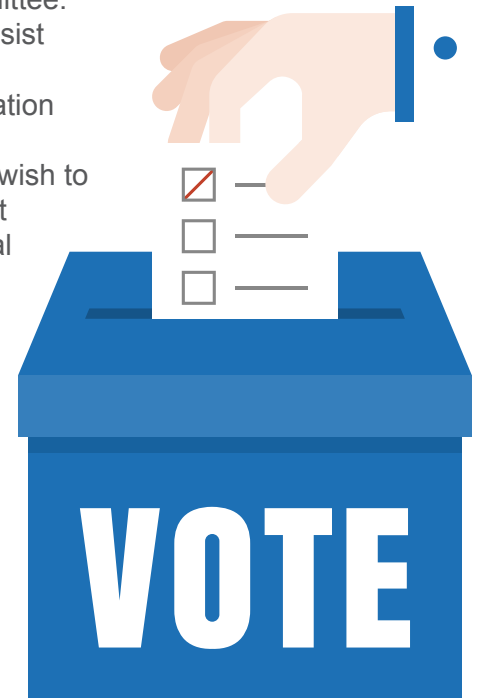
respective knowledge to the position and who believe in the REA.

Please note: Members interested in standing for election as a Director of the West Wetaskiwin REA must declare their intent on or before Monday, March 27, 2023.

No nominations will be accepted from the floor and the advance process is easy.

Please contact the REA office (780-335-9378) or a fellow Director and you will be connected with the Nominating Committee.

The Committee will assist interested members in completing the nomination form outlining to the membership why you wish to be a Director and what qualifications (personal and professional) you will contribute. Communication support will be provided to create a brief bio that will be available to members in advance of the meeting, thereby eliminating any nominations from the floor.



Pole Testing and Replacement Update

Battle River Power Coop completed 116 pole changes within the West Wetaskiwin REA service area. Poles were changed as a result of poles that failed the respective annual testing (2021) and as part of a strategic West Wetaskiwin REA project that took advantage of the work crews as they were in the various areas.

So with the completion of the 2022 pole change, consenters will be out shortly for consent for vegetation work planned for 2023.

**Regulated
Rate
Option**



The Regulated Rate Option (RRO) may increase or decrease from month to month as it is priced on the open market and subject to many factors relating to supply and demand. It is not a 'regulated' rate, rather is a default rate. If you do not have a contract with an electricity retailer, then you are on the RRO. For February 2023, the RRO is priced at \$0.13500 per kWh, reflected on your enclosed orange bill. For March 2023, the Battle River Power Coop monthly RRO billing rate is \$0.13500.

Members are free to purchase electricity services from a retailer of their choice. For a list of retailers, visit ucahelps.alberta.ca or call 310-4822 (toll free in Alberta).