

MEMBER NEWSLETTER

February 2022

Mark your calendars! Notice of 2022

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Annual General Meeting

Date: Thursday, March 24, 2022

Start Time: 7:00 p.m.

Location: The 2022 Annual General Meeting (AGM) will be held virtually on a Zoom platform.

Due to the fluid nature of government COVID-19 group meeting restrictions and guidelines, and to eliminate any last minute need to cancel or postpone, the AGM will be held via Zoom. Attendance at the AGM will be limited to 100 participants and will require a device that is internet connected.

Members must register by March 20, 2022.

Registration must be completed via email — either direct to the REA (westwet@telus.net) or by submitting the Send a Message form on the website (www.westwetaskiwinrea.com) <Contact Us> page.

Registration must include your complete name and Site ID number so you can be confirmed as a member in good standing and eligible to attend and vote.

Once verified as a member in good standing, you will receive an email confirmation, a complete AGM registration package, and a Zoom link to join the meeting on the 24th. The virtual AGM will include all the REA annual reporting and the opportunity to vote for Directors.

Participating in a Zoom Meeting is Easy



For members who have not attended a Zoom meeting or event, it is not difficult.

A Zoom account is not required if you are strictly joining Zoom Meetings as a participant, which is the case for

the AGM. As a confirmed participant (e.g. member in good standing) you will be sent a link to click that will take you to the meeting.

For a more personalized presence (not necessary for the AGM), establishing an account is also simple.

- 1. Open your computer's internet browser and navigate to the Zoom website at Zoom.us.
- 2. Scroll down to the bottom of the page and click "Download" in the web page's footer.
- 3. On the Download Center page, click "Download" under the "Zoom Client for Meetings" section.
- 4. The Zoom app will then begin downloading. You should then click on the <.exe file> to begin the installation process.

A complete Zoom meeting package will be forwarded in advance of the meeting to registered attendees to walk you through the process. Information on Zoom will also be available on the website: www.westwetaskiwinrea.com.

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

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 <u>www.westwetaskiwinrea.com/new-or-changes-to-services.html</u>



In 2022 there are 2 (two) Director positions that will be up for election.

Members interested in standing for election as a Director must declare so by March 18, 2022.

The list of nominees, a brief background of each and supplied photo will be forwarded to registered attendees in advance of the AGM so members are informed as to who is standing for election.

To be considered for election a member must be 18 years of age or older with an interest in land in our service area, have a signed Electric Service Contract with West Wetaskiwin REA and be a member in good standing (not in arrears with the REA or any contractors).

Interested members can visit the website to download a copy of Responsibilities of Directors of West Wetaskiwin REA for more information.

If you are interested, please contact Jean-Anne at the REA office (780-335-9378) and she will connect you with the nomination committee.

The deadline to declare your intent to stand for election to the nominating committee is Thursday, March 18. 2022.

To assist interested members, a nominating committee is in place that can guide you through the process and facilitate formalizing your nomination. We will also provide communication support to create your brief bio or overview of why you wish to be a Director and why you should be elected.

The Rural Utilities Act states: Directors are responsible for the general direction and supervision of the affairs

and business of the association and appoint managers or others considered necessary for the conduct of the affairs and business of the association.

Directors must be committed to work for the continued and increased effectiveness in West Wetaskiwin REA's ability to serve its membership and ensure the REA's interests are paramount above any personal gain or position.

Directors do not need direct electrical industry experience or knowledge; rather they are expected to bring both their 'insider' member knowledge as well as an outside perspective to their decision making.

Equally important is the ability to devote the time needed to fulfill the duties including meeting preparation and attendance. The Director term of office is 3 (three) years and includes attendance at monthly meetings, the AGM and adhoc assignments.

If members need any additional information on the AGM or Director nominations please do not hesitate to contact any of the Directors (contact info below).

Dean Knull, Chair	780.352.1348
Ron Holmlund	780.352.4842
Neil Stone	780.586.2106
Ron Stevens	780.352.2681
Mike Wollin	780.352.9642
Ken Adair	780.352.6318
Dave Watt	780.205.2222
REA Office	780.335.WEST(9378)

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 2022, the RRO is priced at \$0.14594 per kWh, reflected on your enclosed orange bill. For March 2022, the Battle River Power Coop monthly RRO billing rate is \$0.09412.

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

Information on West Wetaskiwin REA's Code of Conduct Regulation Compliance Plan can be found on our website: www.westwetaskiwinrea.com