

# News letter

March 2021



Blue Mountain  
Power Co-op

310-POWR



## Blue Mountain Power Co-op 2021 Annual General Meeting

Due to COVID-19 restrictions the Blue Mountain Power Co-op's Annual General Meeting is postponed to a later date, and could likely be conducted using alternative voting methods. Details are still being finalized.

## Energy Purchase Options Reminder

Further to last month's newsletter, Blue Mountain Power Co-op members have options for the energy portion of your bill:

- ◆ Remain on the RRO (variable rate) currently which is set by the Board on a monthly basis. No action is required for this option. It should be noted that the RRO Rate varied from 6.5 to 9.17 cents per kWh in 2020.
- ◆ Enter into a Fixed Rate Energy Contract with Blue Mountain Power. The contract price is 6.99 cents per kWh and will run from February 1, 2021 to January 31, 2022. (Members may start at any time during the term.)

If you are currently on a Fixed Rate Energy Contract, and wish to remain so, no action is required. Unless you advise us that you no longer wish to be on the Fixed Rate Energy Contract, your contract was automatically adjusted to 6.99 cents per kWh and extended to January 31, 2022.

- ◆ Wholesale Rate (WR) for higher volume consumers - *A variable rate that generally benefits larger services with higher consumption (more than 2000 kWh per month)*

The WR fundamentally flows BMPC's cost of electricity as calculated by the Alberta Energy System Operator (AESO), with no markup to our members. An administration fee of \$18.85 per month would be charged to administer this program.

BMP would allow the WR to float with AESO rates, at cost, with certain limitations. This rate will be the average AESO rate adjusted on a monthly basis. Historically, this rate has been lower than both the Fixed Rate and the RRO rate. However, there is a risk that, should market conditions change, it could be at times higher.

The WR may benefit members who consume a higher volume of electricity and are willing to allow their electricity price to float with AESO's market price, accepting the fact that market prices are subject to change.

If you wish to switch from the Fixed Energy Rate Contract to either the RRO or the WR, please contact the BMPC office via email at [bmipc@bmpower.coop](mailto:bmipc@bmpower.coop) or via phone at 310-POWR (7697) prior to March 22, 2021.

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

**For 2021 Board of Director Nominees please see reverse page**

## Nominees for the Blue Mountain Power Co-op Board of Directors

### Steve Clough



Steve owns and operates Hymark Energy Services and he, along with his wife, also operate Willow Valley Ranch. Steve's grandfather, Jess Clough, served as a Rocky REA director for 21 years. This influenced Steve's decision to become a director. Steve has been, or is currently involved with the following:

- Leslieville Elks B.P.O.E. 351 (Active Member & Past Exalted Ruler)
- CNSCA (Director & Secretary)
- Gilby 4H Beef Club

Steve & Trish have two daughters that they are proudly raising in a farm and ranch lifestyle. Steve enjoys snowmobiling and Sporting Clay tournaments. He is a Level 1 instructor and a tournament referee.

### Johan Feddema



Johan and his wife emigrated from the Netherlands in 2006. In the Netherlands he operated a number of businesses that employed up to 15 employees. Johan & Danielle now own and operate Riverview Campground. Johan has been, or is currently involved with the following:

- Parks & Campground Owners Association of Alberta (Chair)
- Canadian Camping & RV Council (Director)
- Riverview Country Christmas

Johan has been married to Danielle for 22 years and they have three teenagers all attending school in Rocky Mountain House.

### Ron Hallahan



Ron has been a member of the Blue Mountain Power Co-op Board of Directors for 3 years. Ron is an oil and gas retiree who has been a resident of the Rocky, Clearwater County area for the past 37 years. Ron has been, or is currently involved with the following:

- FRISCO Community Hall Board (Director)
- West Country Stakeholders Association (Member)
- 2019 Alberta Masters Games (Director)
- Rocky Air Show (Director)

## Administration Building Renovation

The Administration Building renovation is almost complete. Staff have begun moving in as the final touches are completed. Moving will be complete by March 26th.

In the meantime, BMPC continues to operate in our temporary office located at 4919 - 43 Street.

### Know What's Below.

Whether you're planning a home improvement job,  
planting a tree or installing a fence or deck,  
*Click Before You Dig to safely identify buried utility lines.*

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### Contact the Blue Mountain Power Co-op:

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