

Call the Professionals!

The Board of Directors would like to remind everyone that no unauthorized personnel are allowed to perform work on the TREA electrical system including the transformer poles. (This includes the TREA poles and equipment in your yard.)

In addition to the electrical shock dangers that are very possible it is also in violation of the AEUC Safety Codes Council Section 2-012. TREA has a yard light policy for safe installation of approved yard lights on our transformer poles. The other risks you pose are the following:

1. Arcing between the primary transformer connections and the light fixture which could result in an outage – this could be a major or minor outage.
2. Arcing between the primary transformer connections and the light fixture could cause sparks which could cause a fire.
3. Location of the light could make it difficult, or impossible, for our serviceman to properly service or replace the transformer if required.
4. Electrocutation and / or injury of the unauthorized personnel performing work on this pole.

If you are interested in this please contact the TREA office to inquire about the monthly rental cost of a yard light which includes ALL installation costs and maintenance! Remember your life is more valuable than the \$9.11 / month TREA charges for this service!



Tomahawk
Rural Electrification Association

Tomahawk REA Member Contract #:

Annual General Meeting

To be held on
Saturday, April 13, 2019
DAYTIME MEETING!!

Notice of Annual General Meeting

DATE: Saturday April 13, 2019

LOCATION: CETC Building, 5400 22 Ave,
Drayton Valley, AB

REGISTRATION: 10:30 am – 12:45 pm**

MEETING: 1:00 pm – 4:30 pm

Notice of Special Meeting

Immediately following the AGM we will hold a special meeting. It will give the membership an opportunity to vote on updates to the existing bylaws.

Coffee, tea, water and snacks will be available.

Caveats

In recent months your Board of Directors has been diligently reviewing the governance, policies and finances of the Tomahawk REA (TREA). At our 2018 AGM the current Board of Directors was given a clear mandate to continue this diligence in all aspects of our oversight of TREA on your behalf.

One aspect of our policies and finance has required our response to a potential liability: TREA has been carrying an unprotected investment (or "loan") for new installation services pursuant to an investment program that no longer exists. This investment program offered a "loan" to members with new installations, to be paid back over time (via an IRDR – investment rider payable by only the members that received this benefit), and with TREA covering any interest charges in the meantime. This program no longer exists for TREA members, however the outstanding "loans" still exist.

In order to protect TREA members as a whole against any future loss, the Board of Directors, under the advice of legal counsel, has begun to secure caveats on some member's property. This is purely a protective measure for the membership as a whole, and those individual members have been notified by letter in November, and provided the opportunity to ask questions or contact TREA Office for additional information. Some members have expressed concern, and most members have expressed some confusion about the original program communication. The Board of Directors takes these concerns seriously, is consulting with legal counsel, and is also exploring its options in response to these concerns. If you have any questions about this program, or the Board of Directors' response to issues of liability for the membership as a whole, please contact Melanie at office.trea@gmail.com or 780-514-8732. She will try to answer your questions or concerns and put you in touch with legal counsel if unable to address all your concerns.

The annual general meeting is open to Tomahawk REA members in good standing (those with a board approved contract) and Board of Director invited guests only. For landowners without a board approved contract, deadline to become a member will close on Friday April 5th, 4:00 pm. If you have received a newsletter that has been stamped **INCOMPLETE CONTRACT**, please call the REA, 780-514-8732.

IMPORTANT: We will be requesting member input by votes on several operating topics, as well as outstanding items from the motion brought forward last AGM. We have a lot of decisions to make by October 2019 - have your input ready!!

There is 1 director position open for election. This is your opportunity to nominate and elect a director you feel will best represent the interests of the REA.

A presiding officer will be available from 10:30 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. to answer your questions concerning the procedures of the AGM.

** Registration doors will close at 12:45 p.m. Members still in line will be permitted to register and will receive their voting packages. Late registrations or entries will not be permitted. (A count of registered delegates (voters) is required at the beginning of the AGM in order to print the appropriate ballots for the election of directors).

AGM Agenda—DRAFT (subject to change)

It is critical to abide by the agenda that will be presented at the AGM. After the meeting is called to order promptly at the specified time on the agenda, quorum will be established.

1. Approval of AGM Rules
2. Approval of Agenda
3. Approval of Minutes (2018 AGM)
4. Nominations and Approval of Election Personnel
5. Operations Report—Shaun Doyle, EQUUS
6. Director's Report—Cheryl Thomas
7. Financial and Audit—Rob Feddema
8. Appointment of Auditor for 2019
9. TREA Counsel Report—Shauna Gibbons (including information on Caveats—see last page)
10. Election of Director: Nominations, Presentations, Ballot vote
11. New Business— Member feedback via questions to be voted on
12. Other Announcements
13. Announcement of Vote Result
14. Adjournment

Final Agenda will be posted on the website. If you require a hard copy of the information package in advance of the AGM, please call the REA office to arrange for a pick-up or mailing of the package. For more information please contact the REA office 780-514-8732 or email office.trea@gmail.com.

AGM Information

As a member of the Tomahawk REA you have a vote. Please come out to learn what has happened during the last year, review financials and participate in the Director election.

Please refer to our website at www.tomahawkrea.com for more immediate information as it becomes available.

The meeting is open to members only. All parties on the land title are invited to attend - 1 voting card will be issued for each member in good standing as of April 5th, 2019. at 4 p.m.

Upon registration, all voting members will receive their AGM package including the agenda with related attachments.

Registration and voting cards will not be issued to those with outstanding contracts. If you think you may be on this list please have your legal address handy and give us a call or complete and print the online contract form at www.tomahawkrea.com under MEMBER SERVICES and click the Membership Contract link (instructions are below). Every effort is being made to contact all these landowners prior to the AGM in order to have the contracts completed and accepted by the Board.

Complete this form by ensuring the names on the contract are the same as the names on your title certificate and all signatures are in place and witnessed. Attach a copy of your title certificate for verification purposes if possible.

Mail to: Tomahawk REA, PO Box 10030, RPO BLACK GOLD, Drayton Valley, AB T7A 1W5

Drop off: 6226 50th Avenue, Drayton Valley, AB (Intercon Messaging building) .

Scan and email to: office.trea@gmail.com

Hours of Operation: In Office: Wednesday 9 a.m. - 3:00 p.m

By Phone: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Phone: 780-514-8732

Director's Position

Nominations for Director position will be handled as follows:

Nominations from the floor

Acceptance of Nomination

Each Nominee will have three minutes to speak before voting begins. A Short Board Meeting will be held immediately after the special meeting for the appointments of the new Director and selection of the Chair and Vice-Chair positions.

Director responsibilities include but are not limited to:

- One (1) board meeting per month except December
- Volunteer time to complete tasks arising out of board meetings
- Three—four (3-4) possible additional meetings throughout the year; dependant on needs of both the Board and Membership
- Training in governance and other matters as required
- Completion of the Code of Conduct

Election Campaign

The Board of Directors does not and will not endorse any pre election Campaign by those wishing to be nominated and seeking a director position. The board's position is that a declaration from a person seeking nomination is different from an official nomination from the floor where all nominees have equal opportunity to represent themselves. The board of directors advises anyone doing pre-nomination campaigning that they must fully disclose that they have not yet been nominated and any printed material endorsing their nomination must be very clearly noted that this is not issued by the Tomahawk REA Association. Printed material cannot replicate or duplicate any prior and current association communications. If one of the stakeholder groups (Save the Tomahawk REA Coalition (Stop Fortis) or the Tomahawk REA Membership Society) or an individual member is sending out pre-nomination / election material in support of another individual, it must be clearly stated on their campaign material who this material is being distributed by.

Regulated Rate Option

March Regulated Rate Option (RRO)

Energy will be: 6.687cents/kwh

Variable (non-energy) will be: 0.795 cents/kwh

for a total of 7.482 cents/kwh

Note to All Members

All members are free to purchase electricity services through TREA's regulated rate tariff or from a retailer of their choice. The delivery of electricity to you is not affected by your choice. If you change who you purchase electricity services from, you will continue receiving electricity from TREA. For a current list of retailers you may choose from, visit <http://www.ucahelps.alberta.ca> or call 310-4822 (toll free in Alberta).