

Big Sandy Rural Electric Cooperative Board Meeting Summary

The June board meeting of Big Sandy Rural Electric Cooperative board meeting began with a safety moment from Vice President, **Jeff Prater.** Jeff also gave a COVID-19 update as to the procedures and protocol we are working thru presently, we now have our lobby open, of which. We have the notice on the door about COVID-19 procedures and we have the lobby floor marked with tape (6) six feet apart. We have our billing cashiers spaced apart appropriately. We are still staggering our start and stop times for the employees at the Operations Center. The thought of working from home again was discussed and it was explained to the board that if we have to go back to that situation again, we feel sure we can be safe and productive at the same time.

President & General Manager Bruce Aaron Davis addressed the board with this month's Employee Recognition Award. Casey VanHoose was chosen this month, nominated by her supervisor, Adam Ferguson. Casey is so willing to learn and help anyone and has an awesome attitude! Casey gives 110% to all her work and we are so happy to have Casey working for Big Sandy RECC. Mr. Davis awarded Casey with a gift card and a certificate.

Mr. Davis also gave a safety update; Big Sandy employees have worked 128,245.5 hours without any Lost Time Accident. Our last Lost Time Accident being August 23, 2018. We've had #119 – 811 Locates. All inspections have been completed.

Accounting and Finance Manager, Brian Frasure, gave the financial report. Our year-to-date TIER is 1.54 and our kWh sales were above budget this month, however for the year, we have sold 7.2 million fewer kWh than budgeted.

Jeff Prater gave the right of way report. Trim tree reports total 17 for the month, 89 year to date. As of this report, 27 miles have been cut but zero sprayed. Jeff spoke highly of Right of Way Supervisor Arch Bayes, stating Arch is a great asset to the coop, especially with how he communicates with our members. Jeff stated Arch is a fine representative for Big Sandy RECC. The goal is to cut 130 miles but of course, we will have obstacles to face with 13-15 years of growth against us. More discussion was held about spray crews, number of workers, chemicals used and notifications to membership of where crews are spraying.

Manager of Member Services, Natasha Wiley gave an update on our Member Appreciation Day, scheduled for July 16th at 1:00. We will be giving out buckets to members in two locations on this day, in Johnson County at the main office and in Floyd County at the Middle Creek Battlefield.