

Clay ELECTRIC News

A Touchstone Energy® Cooperative

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From the Manager

November is the month for Thanksgiving, and I'd like to give thanks for the tremendous staff of your cooperative. The cooperative family is a far-reaching and close-knit group. From our small office here in Flora to the Association of Illinois Electric Cooperatives in Springfield to the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association that stretches across the nation, the cooperative family is always available to offer aid and advice when trouble shows up. Being as small as we are, it's reassuring to know we have a nation of allies to help us when questions need answered or new challenges arise. We are thankful for all of them and for all of you, our members.

November promises to be an eventful month for us. We are thrilled to announce our inaugural Giving

Thanks Blood Drive, a collaboration with the American Red Cross and Oil Belt Christian Service Camp. This lifesaving event will take place on Tuesday, Nov. 28, 2023, from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. at the main activity building/gym at Oil Belt Christian Service Camp. For more details and to schedule your blood donation, please visit our Facebook page at facebook.com/ceci.coop or register on the American Red Cross website at redcrossblood.org. If you can't make it to our drive, we encourage you to participate in one of the other drives happening in Flora this November. **18001-077**

You will see a notice for the annual meeting of Clay County Water Inc. in the magazine this month. Our members who receive water service from CCW can attend the meeting, to be held on Nov. 13, 2023, and receive a \$10 bill credit.

The meeting will be held at the Floyd Henson Jr. High School, with registration starting at 5:30 p.m. and



Matt Conklin
CEO

the business meeting starting at 6 p.m.

In this issue of the magazine, you'll notice a substantial list of names. We are publishing our undeliverable list for capital credits. As a not-for-profit electric cooperative, any surplus funds collected through rates, beyond what is necessary to cover our annual expenses, are retained as margins. These margins are held in reserve for emergencies and later returned to our members as capital credits. This year, we are distributing capital credits earned in 1982 and 1983. Please review the list of names, and if you find your name or recognize someone else's name, kindly inform us or the individual concerned.

Don't forget to be on the lookout for your member number in the center section of this magazine. There are three member numbers hidden in Clay Electric News. If you find your number and give us a call, you win \$5 off your next bill!



Clay County Water, Inc
P.O. Box 555
Flora, IL 62839

CLAY COUNTY WATER, INC. ANNUAL MEETING

Monday, November 13th at 6:00pm

Registration begins at 5:30pm

Floyd Henson Jr. High School

609 N Stanford Road, Flora, IL

Members in attendance to receive a \$10 bill credit.



Every month we will have three member numbers hidden throughout Clay Electric News. If you find your member number that corresponds to the one found on the upper right corner of your bill, call our office and identify your number and the page it's on. If correct, you will win a \$5 credit on your next electric bill.

Around Damaged POWER LINES



Energy Can Spread Like RIPPLES ON A POND

Storms and car accidents can damage energized power lines/poles and padmount transformers (green boxes).

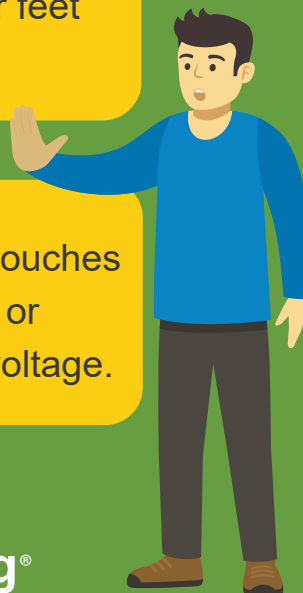
The damage can cause energy to spread like ripples on a pond, causing:

Step potential, when a person walks from one voltage “ripple” to another and their feet experience a difference in voltage.

Touch potential, when someone touches something at one voltage and steps on or contacts something else at a different voltage.

Learn more at:

 **Safe
Electricity.org**[®]



Undeliverable capital credits

VALLEY STEEL PROD CO
WALTER DUNCAN
KWB INC
DON W NEWTON
FRED SKELTON
ROGER E LINCOLN
GERALD MCKNIGHT
NOEL HENSON
DON DURR
ALAN BURROUGHS
IANTHUS ALLEN
JOHN MCKNELLY
RONNIE MILNER
GUY SHEHORN
TED SMITH
SARAH E LINDSEY
JERRY L GOEBEL
JOHN WILLIAMS
PMC OIL COMPANY
BERT HENNICK
FRANKLIN OIL COMPANY
L&L OIL PRODUCERS
JIM WRIGHT
HERSHELL B DENTON
ROY RIEDLE
LOUIE NADLER
WALTER HASLER
MARVIN BROOKS
ROGER NIEMERG
CHARLES A LEWIS
EARL E HAMILTON
DON H BALDWIN
LARRY FORD
ROBERT L MONICAL
PAT'S CERAMIC SHOP
HUBERT C MOSELEY
LUCILE MEARNS
DOUG WENDLING
DARLENE HALE
HERMAN JR PAINTER
ARTHUR L SILLS
WANDA BUTLER
SECOND LITTLE PRAIRIE
CHURCH
TERRY VANDYKE
ELSIE M LEWIS
ROBERT BOTKA
BARBARA TRAGO
S G TIPPS OF THOMPSON
BARBARA WELTY
ROBERT P EDWARDS
WILLIAM FENDER
GENEVA HOKE
DONALD E LEWIS
REX A MCNEELY
WM A HUMPHREY
LYNN L WEBB
GARY KRUTSINGER
VIVIAN HENDERSON
DONALD W LOGAN
LEONARD KESSLER
ERIC E SMITH
RICHARD L OWENS
ROBERT HATFIELD
LARRY G PIERCE
K&K OIL CO
JOHN ORAVA
RICHARD E TURNER

MANUEL PRATER
HENRY WHITAKER JR
XENIA OIL CO
LIGHTNING SERVICE CO
BENJAMIN R GOLDEN
FERN KRUTSINGER
DAVID FOSTER
TIM WADE
ELVA L KAUFFMAN
DAVID C PRATHER
LAURA A MCPHERSON
CHARLES JR HOLLAR
M O GARAGE BIRCH
JIM D HENSON
DONNA L GUYER
JON L THOMPSON
DOUG WILDBUR
LAVONA SCHOOLEY
ALVIN COBB
HOLLIS WRIGHT
EUGENE ENGLISH
TRIPLE B OIL CO
GERALD E LETURNO
PEARL FELLOWS
STEVE PEARCE
VERNON CARTER
CARY OR SCOTT
LOY BATEMAN
RAY HANCOCK
EDWARD BOOSE
BOB G ASHLEY
JOHN MCBRIDE
LOREN KITCHENMASTER
DOUGLAS L HITES
LEONARD S RISTER
WILLIAM P LEIGH
VIRGIL PITTS
JOHN L HENSON
RANDY L ULREY
ROBERT L MCGREW
RICKIE ALLEN
G E SHOOTS
F L SULSBERGER
GLADYS BROOKS
THOMAS L SHELLEY
CHARLES LIGGETT
ROY E SMITH
NORRIS L LAIRD
JAY BARGH
VIRGINI R REDDISH
GARY MEADOWS
GREG WEBB
GARY LEWIS
DAVID LANDRETH
WILSON R FITZGERALD
LESTER M BURTON
JAMES KNABE
DELMAR BASSETT
KELLY WELCH
PETRO-SEARC
ENERGY PREFERRED
DAWN HUGHES
LANNY E BINGMAN
JUSTIN G WILLISON
WARREN H BAILEY
GLADYS EAST
BRADLEY E FRYBURGER
DON WEIDNER

FULK OIL COMPANY
WILLARD GAINER
HURCHEL BASSETT
JOHN GUNNELS
ROBERT L DABNEY
DANIEL LANDRETH
ELDON LAWLER
GEORGE C RAKERD
DON FATHEREE
SAMUEL ESR GARRETT
JAMES R RICHARDSON
KENNETH JOHNSON
JIM OWENS
LARRY CARTER
RANDY WATHAN
ESTHER JONES
RAYMOND E WATHAN
JAMES DAVIS
WADE'S FARM SUPPLY
TONY ADAMS
BI-COUNTY
WATER
SERVICE
RUTH H
CLINTON
HELEN DARR
WELGE PORK
FARM
JACK HUBBLE
RONALD D
LAWRENCE
ROGER RYAN
FREEDA
HENSON
JOHN D
BUTLER
RODNEY J
GILL
RANDY WEISS
MARVIN
BULLOCK
WILLIAM H
WEBSTER
HENRY J JR
DIETZ
RANDY RANES
DWAYNE
KECK
DEAN
GARRISON
ROBERT SR
JEPSEN
MIKE
HUBBELL
FRANK FULK
MELVIN L
KIRKMAN
ROSEMARY
LYBARGER
LARRY FROST
ERNEST
ADAIR
ROBERT
BRISCOE
DWAYNE E
STEELE
JOE CHISLER
G L LAMBIRD

CHARLES D WEST
MID-CONTINENT ENERGY
STEVE HUBBLE
DAVID KLINGLER
TIMOTHY R GALLOWAY
MICHAEL O ANDERSON
CO THE NELSON
JERRY GIDDENS
HARRY OR WILSON
MARK C MEREDITH
JAKE FREDERICK
CHARLES C CARRINGTON
CURT MCKNIGHT
RODNEY BUTTS
MICHAEL WEBSTER
MICHEAL SCHLOSS
JIM HELM
PEPPER THURMOND
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The need is constant.
The gratification is instant.
Give blood.



American
Red Cross

CLAY ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE BLOOD DRIVE

HELD AT OIL BELT
CHRISTIAN SERVICE CAMP

NOVEMBER 28TH
1:00PM – 5:00PM
MAIN ACTIVITY
BUILDING

Contact information:
Clay Electric Cooperative
618-662-2171
admin@ceci.coop

Please support those in
need of life saving
blood.



I give blood. Will you?

redcrossblood.org | 1-800-RED CROSS

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Minutes of the Board of Trustees Meeting

September 25, 2023

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of Clay Electric Co-operative Inc. (CECI) was held at the Clay Electric Co-operative Headquarters, Flora, Ill., beginning at 6:58 p.m. on Monday, Sept. 25, 2023.

Trustees present were Bob Pierson, Neil Gould, Bill Croy, Kevin Logan, Richard Rudolphi, Frank Herman, Frank Czyzewski, Evan Smith and Josh Schnepfer. Also present were Matt Conklin, CEO, and Attorney for the Board Tyra Cycholl. The meeting was opened by Bob Pierson, who presided, and Neil Gould acted as secretary thereof.

The invocation was given by Bob Pierson and was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

The following proceedings were had [all action being first duly moved and seconded, and all action taken being upon the unanimous vote of the Board or without dissenting vote of abstention unless otherwise stated]:

APPROVED, the Suggested Agenda.

APPROVED, the Consent Agenda including the following:

- **APPROVED**, the prior meeting minutes;
- **APPROVED**, the organizational meeting minutes;
- **APPROVED**, (a) to admit to membership those applicants connected for service since the last such review by the board, and (b) cancel those former members shown on the Manager's Report since the last such review by the Board, said members no longer taking service;

REVIEWED, the Consent Agenda including the following:

- **REVIEWED**, the Work Orders;
- **REVIEWED**, the Disbursements;
- **REVIEWED**, the Credit Card Statements;
- **REVIEWED**, the Attorney Retainer;
- **REVIEWED**, the Account Summary Report.
- **REVIEWED**, the Federated

Report from the Board.

APPROVED, Form 990.

APPROVED, the retirement of capital credits.

APPROVED, a Purchase Power Agreement of a member.

WERE INFORMED of CFC Patronage Capital Credit.

REVIEWED, the Federated Member Updates.

WERE INFORMED, NRECA dues are increasing.

HEARD, a report by Bob Pierson regarding SIPC Financials.

DISCUSSED, Director Per Diem.

HEARD, an update by Kevin Logan and Matt Conklin regarding AIEC.

DISCUSSED, upcoming Board training.

At 7:40 p.m., entered into Executive Session. **8064-004**

At 7:53 p.m., exited Executive Session and returned to the regular meeting.

HEARD and **APPROVED**, a financial report by Matt Conklin as to the following:

- Monthly Reconciliation;
- SIPC Power Delivered in August 023;
- August 2023 Cash Flow;
- Line Loss;
- August 2023 Form 7;
- August 2023 Balance Sheet;

HEARD, the Manager's Report on Safety.

REVIEWED, the Safety Report for the month of August.

REVIEWED, the Monday morning Safety meeting.

DISCUSSED, the Safety Committee Meeting.

HEARD, the Manager's Report on Cybersecurity.

HEARD and **APPROVED**, the Manager's Report by Matt Conklin on the following topics:

- UUS Patronage Capital Credit Check;
- Baseball Field Lights;
- Purple Wave Auction;

- SIPC Rate Analysis;
- Quorum Survey Results;
- Security Light Rate;
- Operations Report;
- Communications Report;
- Upcoming meetings.

WERE INFORMED, we received the UUS Patronage Capital Credit Check.

DISCUSSED, installing lights for the school at the baseball field.

APPROVED, installing lights for the school at the baseball field. This measure was passed 8-1 with Richard Rudolphi voting no.

REVIEWED, the Purple Wave Auction for selling surplus equipment.

APPROVED, using Purple Wave Auction for the surplus bucket truck.

DISCUSSED, SIPC Rate Analysis.

REVIEWED and **DISCUSSED**, Quorum survey for Annual Meeting.

DISCUSSED, Security Light rates.


REVIEWED, the Operations Report.

REVIEWED, the Communications

Report.
WERE REMINDED, of upcoming meetings on Oct. 23, 2023 at 7 p.m. and Nov. 27, 2023, Dec. 19, 2023, and January 22, 2024, at 5 p.m.

There being no further business to come before the Board, said meeting was declared adjourned at 9:28 p.m.

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