

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING
OF MEMBERS OF
FALL RIVER RURAL ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC.
June 08, 2024

Fall River Rural Electric Cooperative, Inc. held an in-person and streamed Facebook live annual membership meeting on Saturday, June 08, 2024, at Teton High School Driggs, ID.

WELCOME

Board President Georg Behrens welcomed everyone to the annual meeting of the members. Executive Assistant Angie Haws recorded the minutes.

WELCOME TO SPECIAL GUESTS

President Behrens warmly welcomed all special guests in attendance and thanked them for participating in the Expo.

POSTING OF COLORS

American Legion Post #95 posted the colors followed by the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance.

NATIONAL ANTHEM

The National Anthem was performed by Hailee Stegelmeier, who received one of the Fall River 2024 Youth Rally Scholarships.

INVOCATION

The invocation was given by Daniel McDonald, pastor of Grandview Baptist Church in Driggs, ID.

ADDRESS AND INTRODUCTIONS

President Behrens addressed the membership and introduced the Board of Directors and the Candidates:

Brent "Husk" Crowther, Vice President
Jodi Stiehl, Secretary/Treasurer
Dede Draper, Immediate Past President
Jeff Keay, Director
Anna Lindstedt, Director
Brent Robson, Director
Doug Schmier, Director
Travis Markegard, Director

2024 Board Candidates:

District #1 – Rexburg/Rigby/Ririe

- Brent "Husk" Crowther - Incumbent

District #5 – West Driggs/Tetonia

- Robert Foster
- Brent Robson – Incumbent
- Ray Switter

District #6 – Ashton

- Dede Draper – Incumbent
- Marshall Merrell

APPOINTMENT OF ELECTION JUDGES

President Behrens introduced the Election Judges: Chief Judge, Tia Cherry, Bonnie Reece, Lynette Turner, and Bruce Smithhammer.

APPOINTMENT OF SERGEANT OF ARMS

President Behrens appointed Tim Jenkins and Dustin Bowersox as Sergeant of Arms.

APPOINTMENT OF PARLIAMENTARIAN

Attorney Jerry Rigby was appointed the Parliamentarian by President Behrens.

DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM

Secretary Jodi Stiehl reported a quorum was constituted with over 150 members voting. The break-down of the votes that were cast this year were as follows: 694 electronic and 985 mail in ballots.

READING OF THE ANNUAL MEETING NOTICE OF MEETING & MINUTES

Board of Directors' Secretary/Treasurer, Jodi Stiehl read the certificate of mailing, and entertained a motion to abstain from the reading of the minutes from the 2023 annual meeting.

A motion was made from the floor to dispense with the reading of the minutes, from the meetings on June 17, 2023, the motion was seconded. A VOICE VOTE WAS TAKEN; THE MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE

A motion was made from the floor to approve the minutes from the June 17, 2023 meeting. The motion was seconded. A VOICE VOTE WAS TAKEN; THE MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE.

ANNUAL AUDIT REPORT

Louis Brandley of DeCoria & Company, PC presented the Audit Report. This independent audit firm reported that the consolidated financial statements were audited, and an unmodified opinion was given. This is the best opinion an audit firm can declare for an organization. It means that Fall River's consolidated financials fairly represent the financial activity for the year that ended December 31, 2023. He said the audit went extremely well and commended the Fall River staff and board.

SCHOLARSHIP ANNOUNCEMENT

President Behrens on behalf of the Administrative Committee introduced the scholarship winners for 2024:

MADISON
Joshua Christensen

SUGAR-SALEM
Ashlon Clark

NORTH FREMONT HS
Karson Bohn
Aubrie Carter
Teysen Gunnell
Alyssa Hill
Jacob Hill
Jedidiah Hill
Allie Marsden
Ella Paini

RIGBY HS
Marcie Golding

RIRIE HS
No Applicants

SOUTH FREMONT HS
Chandra Kay

TETON HS
Melissa Bagley
Sadie Bagley
Taylor Driggs
Ryker Fullmer
Grace Hogan
Ada Leavitt
Benjamin Millard
Lilikoi Minton
Madeline Pentz
Karly Schroeder

TETON - WYOMING
Gideon Wilson

WEST YELLOWSTONE HS
Shyla Brown
Emily Jehle
Hayden Turner

AT-LARGE SCHOLARSHIP
Lucy Breuer
Sicily Jacobs

HELPING HAND SCHOLARSHIP
Spencer Blaser
Gabrielle DeMarco
Cooper Shaffer

LINEMAN SCHOLARSHIP
Leland Dexter
Brek Warnke
Porter Washburn

ENERGY PARTNER SCHOLARSHIP
TBD

DRAWING FOR ENERGY PARTNER SCHOLARSHIP

Mason Alles name was drawn as the \$1,000.00 Energy Partner Scholarship recipient.

CEO/GENERAL MANAGER REPORT "SHINING BRIGHT TOGETHER"

CEO Bryan Case presented the annual management report on the business of the

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Cooperative.

QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS

Questions were taken from those in attendance and were addressed at the meeting.

ELECTION

Chief Election Judge Tia Cherry called for voting to cease at 10:00 a.m. The votes were tallied, and Ms. Cherry reported the results to the membership. The election results are as follows:

District #1 – Rexburg/Rigby/Ririe

Brent “Husk” Crowther – Incumbent 1,638

District #5 – West Driggs/Tetonia

Robert Foster 437

Brent Robson – Incumbent 1,162

Ray Switter 227

District #6 – Ashton

Dede Draper – Incumbent 1,355

Marshall Merrell 414

DRAWING OF DOOR PRIZES

Director Anna Lindstedt and Director Travis Markegard drew the names of the door prize winners.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no other business, the Fall River Annual Membership Meeting was adjourned at 11:07 a.m.

DATE APPROVED: June 21, 2025


Secretary Jodi Stiehl