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COOPERATIVE, INC.

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WREC ANNUAL MEETING • WEDNESDAY, APRIL 19, 2023

OFFICIAL NOTICE

DEAR MEMBER:

This is your **OFFICIAL NOTICE** of the **76th WREC Annual Meeting** of the Membership to be held on **Wednesday, April 19, 2023**, in the **Dan Cannon Auditorium** at the **Pasco County Fairgrounds**, 36722 State Road 52, Dade City, Florida 33525. **Registration will begin at 4:30 p.m. and close at 6:15 p.m.** The meeting will be called to order at 6:30 p.m.

Members must be present and provide photo ID in order to register.

In accordance with the provisions of the bylaws, the purpose of the meeting is to consider reports presented by the Corporate Officers, hear the Executive Vice-President and General Manager's report, and conduct any other appropriate business.

Trustee positions up for election this year are **District 2** in eastern Citrus County, **District 4** in southwest Hernando and north-west Pasco Counties, and **District 8** in south-central Pasco County.

The Nominating Committee met on February 7, 2023, to consider qualifications of all Members who indicated a desire to be nominated for a trustee position.

The Committee nominated the following candidates to run for the Cooperative's Board of Trustees positions:

District 2: David S. Hunnicutt

District 4: Alan F. Hengesbach

District 8: Paul R. Little

The bylaws provide that nominations may be made by petition, but none were submitted. Therefore, the incumbent trustees of **Districts 2, 4 and 8** were nominated by the committee and automatically re-elected for a three-year term.

Please plan to attend and participate in the business of your Cooperative.

Sincerely yours,

Terrence E. Schrader

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President



IMPORTANT INFORMATION

For Our Medically Essential Members

At Withlacoochee River Electric Cooperative, we know that reliable electric service is important to all of our Members. For those Members who are medically dependent on electric powered equipment to sustain life, reliable electric service is a necessity. That is why we have established a *Medically Essential Service Program* for our Members.



Who is Considered A Medically Essential Member?

A *Medically Essential Member* is a person who has a residential electric service and is medically dependent on electric powered equipment. This equipment must be operated continuously or as circumstances require (as specified by a physician) to avoid the loss of life or to avoid serious medical complications. Losing power may require immediate hospitalization of the Member or other permanent residents at the Member's residential service address.

What Does the Medically Essential Program Provide?

Should an outage occur, Withlacoochee River Electric Cooperative will restore service as soon as can be reasonably expected depending on the power outage circumstance. In the event of a scheduled outage, the Cooperative will attempt to contact the Member 24 hours prior to disconnecting service as a courtesy. If contact cannot be made, the Cooperative will attempt to send an employee to the Member's residence to notify them in person or by leaving a written note regarding the scheduled outage. This program does not exempt Members from disconnection of service if they do not keep payment arrangements.

Member's Responsibility

Members should develop an action plan that includes having back-up power and/or an alternative power supply in the event of an interruption of electrical service.

How Do I Get Started?

To register, Members should contact or visit their local Cooperative office for the proper forms or go to wrec.net for more information.



As of February 2023, fuel rates have decreased by over 20% on your electric bill.

ENERGY RATES

(Based on 1,000 kWh)

	DECEMBER 2022	JANUARY 2023	FEBRUARY 2023
<i>Customer Charge</i>	34.16	39.16	39.16
<i>Energy</i>	49.89	49.89	49.89
<i>Fuel</i>	55.00	55.00	42.60
TOTAL	\$139.05*	\$144.05*	\$131.65*

*Does not include Florida Gross Receipt Tax.

To Report An Inoperative Or Malfunctioning Street Light

Please call your local Cooperative Office, **OR** you may also log on to wrec.net and click on the **Repair Street Light** button, then complete and submit the **Street Light Repair Request Form**, or you can download the **SmartHub® app** and request a street light repair.

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Your Board of Trustees meets on the third Tuesday of each month at 10:00 a.m. at the Corporate Office in Dade City to conduct the business of the Cooperative and its' subsidiaries.

LEGAL NOTICE: *Operation Round-Up* is a Registered Trade Name for WRECares. 100% of all contributions are available for disbursement. Registration #SC-02353. A copy of the official registration and financial information may be obtained from the Division of Consumer Services by calling toll-free from within the state. Registration does not imply endorsement, approval or recommendation by the State. 1-800-435-7352.

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