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BOARD OF DIRECTORS

- Daniel Houchin, District 1
- Randy Roberts, District 2
- Danny Easterday, District 3
- Rodney Hager, District 4
- Ben Lindsey, District 5
- Brian Hawkins, District 6
- George Key, District 7

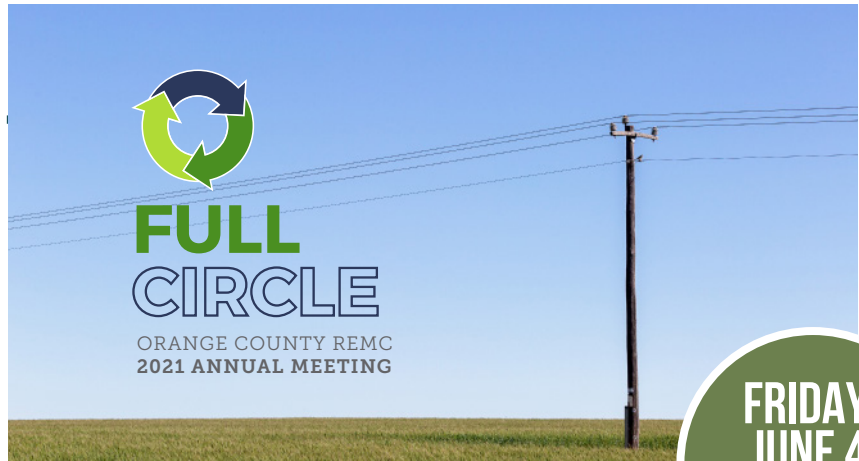
REMC SENIOR STAFF

- Matthew C. Deaton, *General Manager/CEO*
- Marcy Bennett, *Office Manager*
- Misty Tincher, *Accountant*
- Mark Belcher, *Member Services Manager*
- Billy Chastain, *Operations Manager*
- Charlie Rollins, *Fiber Construction Manager*



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**FRIDAY,
JUNE 4**

8390 N. State Road 37
 Orleans, IN 47452

Registration will open at 4:30 p.m.



Did you know every cooperative is required to conduct an annual meeting of the membership? The purpose is to hold the election for the

board of directors, share important financial information, occasionally vote on other matters such as bylaw changes and of course — the great door prizes!

Last year, with the uncertainties of the COVID-19 situation, we hosted an on-line annual meeting to be sure we could still allow our members to participate in the business of their local electric co-op.

This year we are excited to return to an in-person event, which will be held at our new operations building. Very few organizations are uniquely positioned like Orange County REMC to bring together members of our local communities, and we look forward to this event.

Please note that the Orange County REMC office will close at noon so

employees can prepare for the annual meeting.

Some of the highlights of this year's Annual Meeting will include a catered meal served from 4:30-6 p.m., musical entertainment by Kirby Stailey, children's activities and a door prize drawing. The business meeting will begin at 7 p.m. and include the election for directors to represent Districts 3 and 6. Director candidates are listed on page 7 of this magazine, and all members who attend the meeting can vote in the election.

Your electric cooperative is run by a democratically elected board that is given the privilege to serve because of your vote. So, at this year's Annual Meeting, not only will you have a blast (and maybe win a prize!), but you will feel good knowing that you had a voice in a very important decision that impacts one of our most vital resources, electricity. We hope to see you on June 4 at the Annual Meeting.

MATTHEW C. DEATON
 General Manager/CEO

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Rate Schedule

How to compute your monthly electric bill:

Use this information to figure your bill for electric use in April, May and June.

Rate Schedule for Standard Service

Standard Service Consumer Charge.....	\$26
Standard Service Energy Charge.....	\$0.1124
Wholesale Power Cost Tracker ..	\$0.0032734
Total bill x Indiana sales tax.....	7%

Example for 1,200 kWh

Standard Service Consumer Charge.....	\$26
1,200 kWh @ \$0.1124	\$134.88
Wholesale Power Cost Tracker	
1,200 kWh @ \$0.0032734.....	\$3.93
Total.....	\$164.81
Indiana sales tax	\$11.54
Total bill	\$176.34

Rate Schedule for Time-of-Use Service

Time-of-Use Consumer Charge.....	\$30.90
Energy Charge On-Peak	\$0.1671
<small>(On-Peak: 7 a.m. to 11 a.m. and 4 p.m. to 9 p.m., Monday–Friday, EST)</small>	
Energy Charge Off-Peak.....	\$0.0691
Wholesale Power Cost Tracker ..	\$0.0032734
Total bill x Indiana sales tax, 7%	

Example for 300 kWh (On-Peak) and 900 kWh (Off-Peak)

Time-of-Use Consumer Charge.....	\$30.90
Energy Charge On-Peak	
300 kWh @ \$0.1671.....	\$50.13
Energy Charge Off-Peak	
900 kWh @ \$0.0691.....	\$62.19
Wholesale Power Cost Tracker	
1,200 kWh @ \$0.0032734.....	\$3.93
Total.....	\$147.15
Indiana sales tax	\$10.30
Total bill	\$157.45

Rate Schedule for Security Lighting

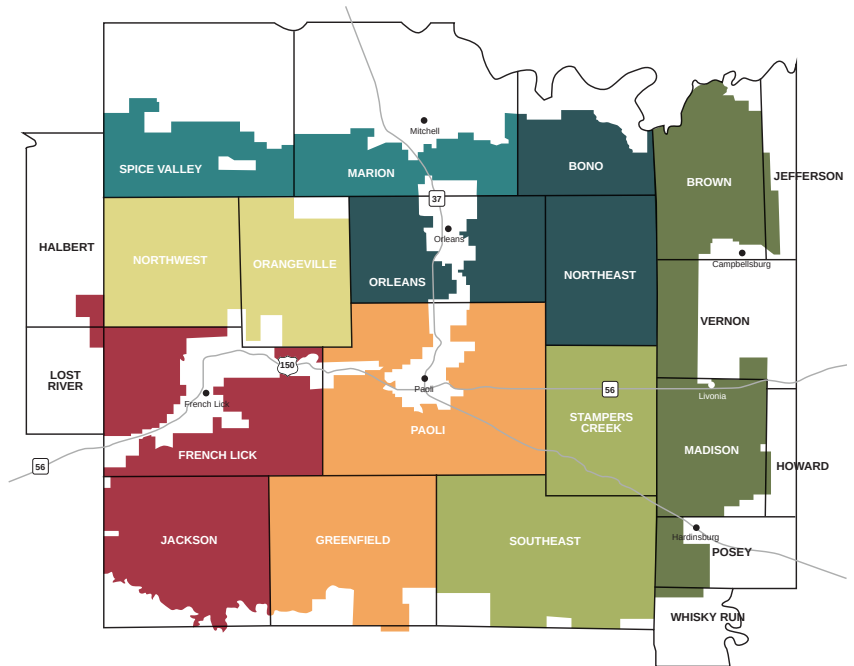
Security Lighting: 100 W HPS	\$9.82
Security Lighting: 40 W LED.....	\$9.82

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- Pre-pay your bill
- Sign up for recurring monthly payment



2021 Timeline for REMC director election

All REMC members who register and attend the Annual Meeting can vote for directors to serve the districts that are up for election in that calendar year. The information below details when deadlines occur in the election process. Incumbent directors whose terms expire in 2021:

- District 3** Danny Easterday (incumbent)
 Simon Sprigler (by petition)
- District 6** Brian Hawkins (incumbent)
 Lacy Deom (by petition)

- Full slate of candidates posted and mailed by May 14.
- All candidate biographies published in the May Indiana Connection (see facing page)
- Election at annual meeting on June 4.

Your board of directors candidates

DISTRICT 3 (INCUMBENT)

Danny Easterday is the incumbent director from District 3. A lifelong resident of Orange County, he has served on the board for the past 27 years. He has earned the Credentialed Cooperative Director certification from the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association. Easterday graduated from Purdue University with a bachelor's degree in agriculture.

He and his wife, Lisa, reside near Orleans. They have five children and five grandchildren. In their spare time, he and Lisa enjoy traveling. An avid fisherman, Easterday likes to fish at his pond in Indiana and in the Gulf of Mexico near Venice, Florida.

DISTRICT 3 (CANDIDATE BY PETITION)

Simon Sprigler

is a District 3 director candidate by petition. He has lived near Orleans for the past 26 years with his wife, Wendy (Elliott). They have three children and three grandchildren.



He is employed by the town of Orleans as its town superintendent and building inspector. He oversees the daily operations of the town street department, sewer department, and water systems. Sprigler is also involved in the downtown area, helping to renovate and bring new businesses to the area. As building inspector, he works on code enforcements with the town attorney

and is currently a member of the Board of Zoning and Planning.

Sprigler previously worked for 40 years as a general contractor for AML, Inc., located in Floyd Knobs, Indiana. As a jobsite superintendent, he was involved in jobs from the ground up until the projects were completed and delivered to the owners.

DISTRICT 6 (INCUMBENT)

Brian Hawkins

is the District 6 incumbent director. A board member since 2003, he has served as secretary, vice president and president. The Paoli Jr. Sr. High School graduate formerly owned Wolfe Contracting, Inc., in Paoli.



Hawkins and his wife, Nanette, have lived in the Paoli and Greenfield communities for the past 35 years. They have one daughter, Megan, who teaches family and consumer science at Silver Creek High School in Sellersburg.

Born and raised in Orange County, Hawkins realizes he has an obligation, not only to the members within District 6 but all Orange County REMC members, to make sound business decisions. Therefore in 2007, just four years after he was elected to the REMC board, he completed the required courses to earn the Credentialed Cooperative Director certification

Hawkins is a member of Moores Ridge United Methodist Church and serves on the pastor parish

relationship committee. He is a 13-year active member of the Paoli Meridian Lions Club. He also serves as an appointed representative of the Orange County Commissioners to the Paoli Planning Commission and is a member of the Town of Paoli Board of Zoning Appeals, representing the buffer zone membership. In his free time, he enjoys spending time with friends and family, and working with his honey bees and cattle.

DISTRICT 6 (CANDIDATE BY PETITION)

Lacy Deom lives in Paoli with her husband,

Brad, and two daughters, Kenzy and Janna. She graduated from

Indiana University with a bachelor's degree in biology and a minor

in Business in 2007. For the past 14 years, she has worked at Baxter Pharmaceuticals in Bloomington, working her way up through increasing roles of responsibility. She is currently a manager in technical services.

Deom grew up on a small horse and cattle farm in Perry County and has carried on that love of animals; now sharing her home with horses, rabbits, dogs and cats. She has been on the 4-H Horse and Pony committee for the past 10 years, and the Incorporated Board for the last three years. She is dedicated to making her home, and our community great places to live.



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Dates to remember:

The Orange County REMC office will be **closed May 31** as our employees spend Memorial Day with their families.

The office will also **close at noon on June 4** as our employees prepare for the 2021 Annual Meeting.



Have an outdoor project scheduled for this spring?

Before you start any summer projects that require digging

**CALL 811
before you dig!**



ATTENTION REMC MEMBERS:

DO NOT USE THIRD PARTY WEBSITES TO PAY YOUR ELECTRIC BILL

Orange County REMC would like to advise members to only use our website for payments on your electric bill, not third party websites.

Recently, members have found a company, "doxo.com", that allows members to make payments to many companies including Orange County REMC. Unfortunately, a link to their site often comes up when members do a search for "Orange County REMC" or "Orange County REMC online bill payment". If the member is not careful to select our actual website, www.myremc.coop, the doxo.com website could easily be selected. While Doxo seems to be a legitimate company, Orange County REMC has NOT solicited or partnered with the company to take payments for our members.

It is not recommended for Orange County REMC members to use this third party payment site. Doxo

charges fees per transaction, but worse yet, the payments are not immediately posted to the member accounts. Payments can take 2 days or longer to process. This could pose issues for our members that are using our prepaid service or members who have submitted payments on a disconnect notice. They may run the risk of their payment not making it to our system before their service is disconnected for non-payment.

Our goal is to provide our members with the ability to pay their bills and post their payments in real time without incurring additional costs.

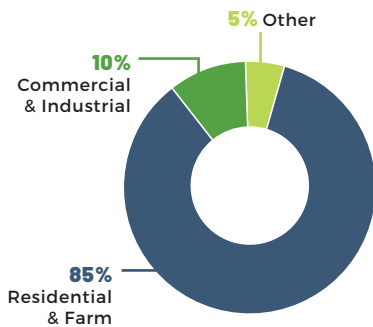
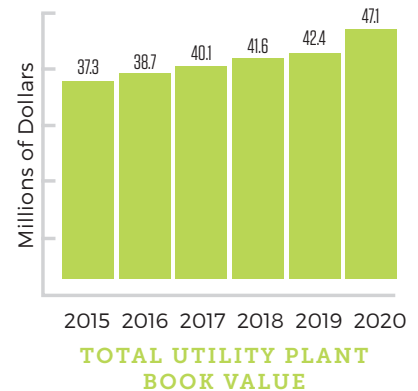
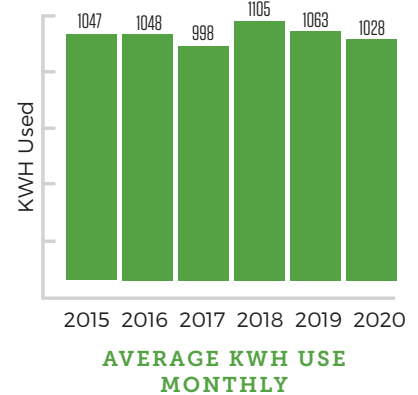
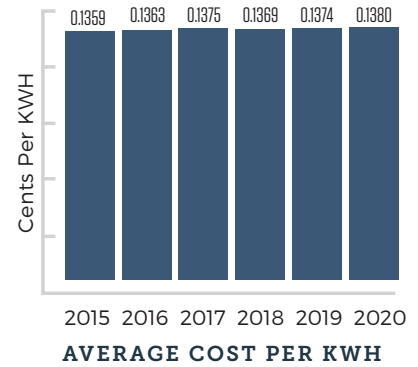
Our website, www.myremc.coop, is available 24/7/365 and posts all payments in real time.

Review of 2020 Financial Highlights

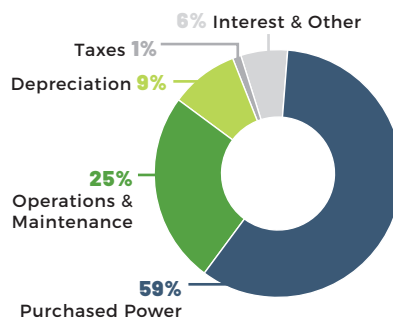
CONDENSED STATEMENT OF OPERATION		2020	2019
Revenue	Operating Revenue	16,207,972	16,033,341
	Purchased Power	9,280,309	9,635,411
	Operations Expense	2,415,587	2,444,879
	Maintenance Expense	1,495,740	1,559,661
Operating Expenses	Depreciation Expense	1,437,883	1,366,657
	Taxes	199,703	219,423
	Interest Expense	962,616	744,438
	Other Deductions	0	851
	Total Operating Expenses	15,791,838	15,971,320
	Operating Margins	416,134	62,021
Other Income & Deductions	Interest Income	14,780	14,755
	Miscellaneous	-128,505	375,205
	Capital Credits	253,036	345,660
	Net Margins	555,445	797,641

CONDENSED BALANCE SHEET		2020	2019
Assets	Utility Plant	46,265,338	42,374,701
	Work in Progress	848,196	38,900
	Accumulated Depreciation	-12,563,665	-11,645,668
	Net Plant	34,549,869	30,767,933
	Investments/Other Assets	6,614,033	6,361,812
	Total Current Assets	36,286,802	13,484,540
	Deferred Charges	1,884,265	445,779
	Total Assets	79,334,969	51,060,064
Equities & Liabilities	Equities	19,852,167	18,995,736
	Long Term Debt	40,480,479	23,077,684
	Current Liabilities	19,002,323	8,986,644
	Non-current Liabilities	0	0
	Deferred Credits	0	0
	Total Equity & Liabilities	79,334,969	51,060,064

GENERAL STATISTICS		2020	2019
KWH Purchased		118,638,386	121,473,672
KWH Sold & Used		111,194,140	113,406,816
Line Loss		6.27%	6.64%
Average # of Consumers		8,009	7,915
Miles of Line		1,120	1,116
Average Consumers per Mile		7.15	7.09



WHERE YOUR DOLLAR CAME FROM



WHERE YOUR DOLLAR WENT

FULL CIRCLE
ORANGE COUNTY REMC
2021 ANNUAL MEETING