

August 2021 Board Meeting

General Reports:

- All items on the consent agenda were approved.
- The Audit Report for March 2020 and March 2021 was accepted.
- June 2021 financial report was reviewed.
- Operations, Safety and Interruption report was presented. There were no accidents or injuries in the month of August reported.
- Fifteen rotten poles replaced, and 19 new services installed.
- There were four significant outages in July. One was caused by a storm event on July 24th which resulted in six outage events exceeding 200 minutes of interruption. A second significant outage was due to bird activity. Two other outages were related to the bird activity outage. In total, 73 outage events occurred totaling 9,801 interruption minutes affecting 4,688 members for July 2021.
- As of June 2021, there was \$378,158 in plant additions bringing the year-to-date total to \$2,260,844.

Other Reports:

- The Board approved retirement of the WVPA patronage to the REMC members in 2022.
- Cooperative survey billing results were prepared and submitted to the board for review.
- NRECA is increasing membership dues for 2022 up 3%, pension plan will increase 2%, and the insurance plan will increase 8% for 2022.
- RUS loan approval is complete, the loan is being sent to underwriting.

General Business:

- The employee committee is planning an employee event.
- It is expected that Jim Pressel, Pat Boy, and Senator Charbonneau will be attending the annual meeting.
- Community events for the month included Starke, LaPorte and Porter County fairs with attendance by Operation Roundup scholarship recipients, the United Way Day of Caring, and Backpacks.
- The board discussed dates for the 2022 Annual meeting, it was determined that the meeting be held in June 2022.