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MEMBER NEWSLETTER

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Manager's Message

Dear Members: _____ by Jeff Hohn



New Facilities

I would like to inform everyone on how the construction of the new buildings are coming along. Both buildings have been enclosed, and the inside work has begun. The interior walls of the Administration Building are just about complete, with the sheet rocking beginning the second week in February. The rough in for the plumbing has been completed. The rough in for the electrical is very close to being finished. Once the rough in of the electrical is completed, the company that is doing the sheet rocking will be able to complete the installation of the sheet rock.

There has been very little work completed on the inside of the Warehouse. All that has been completed is the rough in of the plumbing, and any electrical conduit that needed to be installed under the concrete pad.

Once the electrician completes their electrical rough in of the Administration Building, they will begin working in the Warehouse. The scheduled completion date is currently set for mid-June, but it is looking more like the end of July or the first of August.

ANNUAL MEETING

WE'RE COUNTING ON YOU!



VOTE

As I talked to you about last month, the 13th Annual Meeting of High Plains Power, Inc. has been scheduled for March 19, 2011 to be held at the Thermopolis Middle

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Front view of the administration building.



13th Annual Meeting March 19, 2011

The 13th Annual Meeting has been scheduled for March 19, 2011 to be held at the Thermopolis Middle School in Thermopolis, Wyoming.

Elections for directors in districts 4, 5, 9 and 10 will be conducted at the meeting.

Quorum needed to hold meeting

Remember to check your mail the first part of March. Proxy cards and the annual meeting notices which include the agenda, financial information and board candidate biographies will be mailed around the 4th of March.

If for some reason you cannot attend the annual meeting, please complete the proxy card and give it to someone that you know will be attending. You may also complete

the proxy card and mail it to the High Plains Power office.

It is imperative to have a quorum at the annual meeting so that business and the election process can take place. According to the High Plains Power by-laws, 100 members must be present, in person, to constitute a quorum.

Nominating committee

Also, according to the by-laws, the board of directors appointed a twelve (12) member nominating committee. It is the committee's responsibility to nominate and post a list of nominees for the districts up for election. The nominating committee met on January 28th.

The candidates selected were:

District 4 Richard Haun

District 5 Bret Gardner
District 9 Matt Brown
District 10 Jim Miller

There are other ways to be nominated for a director. You may be nominated by petition. The petition requirement is that fifteen (15) or more members act together by signing a petition, nominating a member to represent a district that is up for election.

Petitions can still be accepted until 15 days prior to the annual meeting. Nominations can also be taken from the floor during the annual meeting.

Please plan to attend as your annual meeting is an important opportunity to vote for director representation and to get informed about the business of your electric cooperative.

Incumbent Directors running for reelection

District 4
Richard Haun



District 5
Bret Gardner



District 9
Matt Brown



District 10
Jim Miller



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2011 Annual Meeting
is March 19th at the
Thermopolis Middle School.

Mark your calendars!

Congratulations Eon!

Congratulations to Eon Rose, the new journeyman lineman from the Dubois District. Eon successfully completed the apprenticeship program. It's an accomplishment that takes a lot of hard work both in the field and at home completing the correspondence program.

In the field, Eon experienced 8000 hours of "on the job training." He learned from the best, our High Plains Power linemen. For the correspondence program, he completed the extensive Merchant Job Training and Safety program. This took many hours of reading, studying and taking tests. Eon passed the Merchant program with an overall score of 98%.

We're proud of Eon who can look forward to a very rewarding and life long career.



Manager, Jeff Hohn, presents Eon Rose with his journeyman certificate.

Paying your bill at High Plains Power is easy

There are different ways to pay your High Plains Power bill.

It used to be the only options were in person or by mail. You still can do the above options, but there are other ways to make a payment.

Options:

- In person-come on in we still want to visit with you!
- Mail
- Drop boxes at all of our locations
Lander - Wyoming National Bank
- By phone- can take credit/debit card information. There is a 2.45% convenience fee applied to use the cards.
- Bill pay through your own bank
- Website - Visit our website at www.highplainspower.org and get information about your account(s). At the upper left corner, of the home page, click on the icon that says "ebill." The first time you log on, you will need your account number and then call the office for a password. After you are on the

customer log on page, you can change your User ID and your password. Once logged in, there are tabs under the High Plains Power logo. Under "My Bill" you will have two options for paying your bill online - "Payment by Credit Card" or "Payment by E-Check."

We hope these different options make it easy and convenient to pay your electric bill. As always, if you have questions, please feel free to call us.

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School Cafeteria. We hope that everyone will be able to attend this year. The meeting will kick off at 11:00 a.m. with registration and lunch being served until 12:45 p.m. At 1:00 p.m. the business meeting will begin. Throughout the business meeting, we will be drawing for door prizes.

This year elections for directors in districts 4, 5, 9, and 10 will be conducted. The Nominating

Committee met on January 28th to submit names of members/owners in nomination for the four Board seats. There were not any names placed in nomination to run against the incumbents. Therefore, they will be running unopposed. Those Directors are:

- District 4: Richard Haun
- District 5: Bret Gardner
- District 9: Matt Brown
- District 10: Jim Miller

Inside of administration building presently looks like jail cells, but actually these are the metal "studs" that will support sheet rock and will be the walls of the different offices.



Inside of the shop/warehouse.

Side view of shop/warehouse and administration building.



The annual meeting notices and proxy cards will be mailed around March 4th. If you do not receive this mailing by March 11th, please call the office. If for some reason, you can not attend the meeting, please give your proxy card to another person who will be attending the meeting, or return the proxy card by mail to the High Plains Power office by March 18th.

If you would like to contact me for any reason, my email address is jhhpp@wyoming.com.

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