



Directors View Right of Way Informational Video

Kevin Newton, President and CEO, discussed the latest effort in making South Kentucky Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation members aware of the ramped-up effort to maintain the over 7,000 miles of line throughout the co-op's service territory and assure reliability.

Directors viewed a video produced in-house by the co-op's Communication team. The video which features live footage of the co-op's crews working to cut and maintain rights of way, will be posted to the SKRECC social media accounts to help members better understand South Kentucky's commitment to better right-of-way maintenance.

The directors were very pleased with the efforts of the Communications team and feel the video will provide valuable information to owner-members.

East Ky Power Co-op Announces Somerset Plant Project and Board Approves Contract Extension

Boris Haynes, District 6 Director and EKPC Board representative, reported that on Thursday morning he and CEO Kevin Newton attended a media conference at the Cooper Station Power Plant in Somerset.

At the conference, EKPC officials announced plans for a range of new power plant projects and energy efficiency programs, including upgrades to the Cooper Station which will sustainably meet growing energy demands for members.

Mr. Haynes also reported that during the November 12th EKPC monthly board meeting, the Board approved extending the wholesale power contracts with its sixteen owner-member distribution cooperatives through 2068.

This extension provides assurance for RUS and other lenders to EKPC, primarily for construction of generation and transmission assets.

CFO Presents September Financial Numbers and Discusses 2025 Expense Budget

Carrie Bessinger, Chief Financial Officer, stated that net margins for September showed a gain of \$823,000. A delay in invoicing for right of way expenses resulted in a larger gain than expected. Power cost was less than budgeted along with September revenue which can be attributed to weather which has been milder than normal.

Patronage dividends experienced an increase attributed to the allocation from United Utility Supply Cooperative which was \$284,000 compared to the budgeted total of \$160,000. Capital credits from EKPC, which are anticipated in December, are budgeted at \$1.5 million and they have indicated that their updated estimates are \$1.1 million.

Mrs. Bessinger distributed copies of the 2025 proposed expense budget to directors for their review, discussion, and subsequent approval at the December board meeting.

Mrs. Bessinger estimated an increase in plant of \$17 million for 2025 with total assets up \$5 million. Patronage capital numbers assume a capital credit payout of \$2 million during the year.

The Board approved the 2025 Capital Budget as presented in the meeting materials during the November meeting.

2025 Director Election Candidate Packet Finalized

Frank Phillips, Board Counsel, reported that the packet of application materials for potential candidates for the 2025 director election has been approved by the Credentials & Elections Committee.

The packets will be available for pick up on Friday, December 6th at the Somerset Headquarters office from 7:30 am to 4:30 pm EST. Mr. Phillips commented that any questions regarding the candidate application process should be directed to him via email or by calling his Monticello office.