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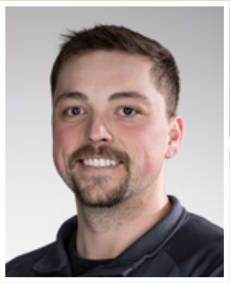
Celebrating the COOPERATIVE DIFFERENCE

October is National Co-op Month

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Member Service Update

Danny Schmidt
Member Service Manager

October is Co-op Month, a time to celebrate the cooperative values that bring our members and communities together. We continued that tradition by inviting all PKM members on Oct. 13-15 to come in for coffee, apple cider and cookies. It was great to visit with everyone that was able to make it in. Our door prize was a rolling PKM RTIC cooler filled with PKM swag items, and Mark Szklarski was the lucky winner! We also did a Cooperative Month coloring contest for all ages. One other thing we offered was a one-time bill credit for everyone that stopped in to sign up for ACH. If you haven't done so, please call and we can help get that set up.

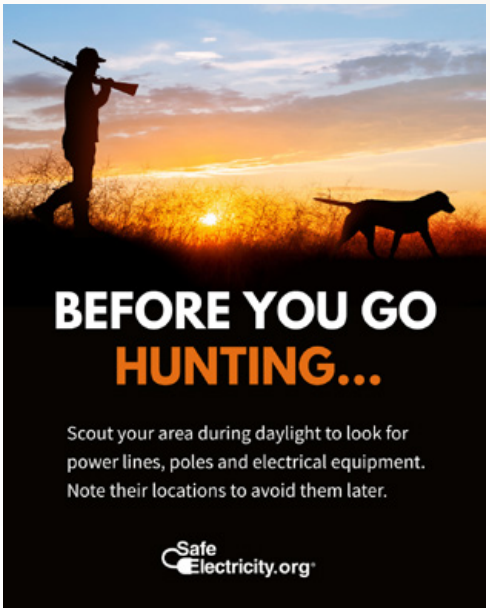
It's been another busy year – we have nearly finished our deployment of RF (radio frequency) meters across all the substations. You will still see us installing relays, which help us read meters in very remote areas of our system or heavily wooded service areas. We have quite a few off-peak meters to change still, so please check your bill and see if your off-peak meter is reading. We are also going to be reaching out to all the members that have not had their off-peak meters changed in plans to finish deployment this winter. So please call if you know yours has not been changed, if you have questions or something doesn't look right.

With the cooler weather around the corner, now is a great time to consider your heating options for this winter. If you are thinking about adding any new heating systems or would like more information on off-peak, please call the office and we will be happy to answer any questions. Off-peak is a program that allows us to share the savings we receive from Minnkota Power Cooperative, PKM's wholesale power provider, on demand charges and pass them directly on to you, the member. We also have a lot of great rebate opportunities available right now for qualifying equipment, including water heaters, heat pumps, boilers, resistive heaters and electric vehicles.

If you have an off-peak dual fuel system, be sure to test that it is all working properly. During periods of high demand on the electric grid, Minnkota will switch off your electric heat and have your backup system run in its place, which can be for extended periods of time. Don't wait for the first cold snap to find out your backup system isn't working properly. If you use propane or fuel oil, be sure to check the tank levels and get them filled as soon as possible, as Minnkota is planning for backup fuel usage to be around 200 hours total. If you have a heat pump, take a few minutes to check the outdoor unit before winter arrives. Make sure the coils are clean and free of debris and other obstructions around the unit. It may be a good idea to check or replace your furnace filter as well.

PKM has now launched its official Facebook page as of August of this year. It is going to give us another way to help connect with our membership and share important information. Please take the time to follow that page to stay up to date on cooperative news, outage updates, rebates and other helpful information for our membership. You can easily find the page by searching for PKM Electric Cooperative, and our building is the profile picture.

Best of luck to all the deer hunters this season! Stay safe and happy hunting!



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Next board meeting
Board meeting to be held the last Tuesday of the month.

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WATCH THE WIRES THIS HARVEST SEASON

Harvest season is often ripe with distractions. Even when you're trying to beat the rain or finish just one more acre, you must remember to stay alert to the power lines around you. One wrong move can be dangerous – even deadly. Share this safety checklist with your team before heading to the field.

SAFETY CHECKLIST

- **Know where power lines are located** before moving equipment and **plan your route** to avoid low power lines and narrow road crossings.
- **Lower equipment and fold augers, booms and other extensions** before moving to another site.
- **Maintain a safe distance** of at least 10 feet from all overhead power lines.
- **Look up** before raising equipment.
- **Use a spotter** when moving oversized or tall equipment.
- **Stay alert when visibility is reduced** by dust, low light, rain or fog, when power lines can be hard to see.
- **Inspect equipment height** before moving combines, grain carts, sprayers or other tall machinery.
- **Avoid parking or storing equipment** directly beneath power lines.

ACCIDENTS HAPPEN.

If equipment contacts a power line or pole, follow these steps:

1. **Stay inside the cab**
2. **Call 9-1-1**
3. **Wait for responders**

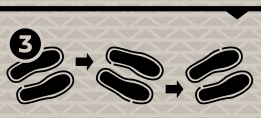
IF THERE IS SMOKE/FIRE:



Cross your arms across your chest



Jump out with your feet together
***(don't** touch the ground and vehicle at the same time)*



Shuffle or bunny hop far away
*(feet **always** together)*

SAFETY KIT

*Take time to train all farm workers on power line hazards before harvest begins. If you would like a free Watch the Wires safety kit for your team, visit **watchthewires.com** for details.*

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WATCH THE WIRES



COLD WEATHER RULE

In accordance with Minnesota's Cold Weather Rule (216B.097), electric service cannot be disconnected for nonpayment between **Oct. 1 and April 30** if electricity is the primary heat source and all of the following statements apply:

- Your household income is at or below 50% of the state median household income. Income may be verified on forms provided by PKM Electric Cooperative or by the local energy assistance provider *(see right sidebar)*.
- You enter into and make reasonable and timely payments under a payment agreement that considers the financial resources of the household.
- You receive referrals to energy assistance, weatherization, conservation or other programs likely to reduce your energy bills from PKM Electric Cooperative.

Please note that the Cold Weather Rule does not completely stop winter disconnects.

Before disconnecting electric service to residential members between Oct. 1 and April 30, PKM Electric Cooperative must provide:

- **A 30-day mailed notice or 15-day hand-delivered notice**
- **A statement of members' rights and responsibilities**
- **A list of local energy assistance providers**
- **Forms to request Cold Weather Rule protection**
- **A statement explaining available payment plans and other options to continue service**

ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

This program is federally funded and can help low-income renters and homeowners pay for home heating costs and furnace repairs. Household income must be at 50% of the state median income to qualify for benefits.

To learn more about the EAP program or to apply, visit the MN Dept. of Commerce Energy Assistance website at **https://mn.gov/commerce/consumers/consumer-assistance/energy-assistance/** for more details and to access the application portal. Or simply contact your county's EAP service provider.

If you are having difficulty paying your electric bill and regardless of whether you qualify for either of these programs, please contact PKM Electric Cooperative to set up a payment plan.

LOCAL ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROVIDERS

Tri-Valley Opportunity Council, Inc.
1407 Erskine Street
Crookston, MN 56716
(218) 281-9080 or (866) 264-3729
(Serves west Marshall County and west Polk County)

Northwest Community Action
PO Box 67
Badger, MN 56714-0067
(218) 528-3258 or (800) 568-5329
(Serves east Marshall County and Kittson County)

REAL POWER REQUIRES REAL DIVERSIFICATION

You've likely heard the term "all-of-the-above energy." It's the idea that since all generation resources have their respective benefits and challenges, the most strategic path to affordable, reliable and sustainable electricity is to use a blend of technologies. If one resource is emissions free but only generates when the weather is right, another resource is there to pick up the slack. If one technology can ramp up and down quickly but experiences volatile fuel costs, another resource is waiting in the wings.

Not all resources are created equal. That's why we need an all-of-the-above approach for **Real Power Now**.

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Lignite Coal



PROS	CONS
• Abundant, domestic fuel source • Can reliably run 24 hours per day • Cost-competitive with other resources	• Currently difficult to permit and build new coal plants • Can be challenging to ramp up and down to accommodate renewable production • Higher CO_2 intensity than natural gas, although CO_2 capture technology is advancing

Natural Gas



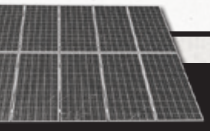
PROS	CONS
• Lower CO_2 emissions than coal • Has been low-priced in recent years • Can be run 24/7 or used during peak events • Flexible operation	• Fuel costs are becoming increasingly volatile • Pipeline infrastructure still catching up to projected demand • Potentially more expensive to install CO_2 capture technology

Hydro



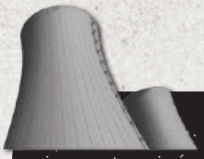
PROS	CONS
• No fuel cost • Low-cost energy to consumer • No air emissions • Flexible operation	• Currently difficult to permit • Affects fish and wildlife habitat • Alters the natural flow of rivers • Virtually no resources in development (some dams being removed)

Solar



PROS	CONS
• No fuel cost • No air emissions	• Has intermittent production • Requires investment in backup generation resources • Solar panels take a larger land footprint • Production affected by clouds, snow and extreme cold temperatures

Nuclear



PROS	CONS
• No air emissions • Can run reliably 24 hours per day	• High capital cost and increasingly expensive fuel • Radioactive waste must be properly disposed of and monitored • Currently difficult to permit • Cannot ramp up and down to accommodate renewable production

Wind



PROS	CONS
• No fuel cost • No air emissions • Cost-competitive with other resources	• Has intermittent production • Requires investment in backup generation resources • Turbines take a larger land footprint • Wind farms can impact bird and wildlife populations • Cannot operate in extreme cold or wind conditions

Battery Storage



PROS	CONS
• No air emissions • Can be dispatched when needed • Pairs well with renewable resources	• Costly to deploy and requires investments in other generation resources to charge the batteries • Can only dispatch for 2-4 hours at a time when energy can be needed for days • Battery components require significant amounts of rare earth elements, which are almost exclusively produced overseas

Maximize System Performance. **Minimize** Energy Waste.

Whether your heating and cooling system is brand new or 10 years old, regular maintenance can help your system run efficiently, keep energy costs in check and extend its life.

Filter Care
Every 2-3 months

- Check your air filter and replace it as recommended. A dirty filter can re-strict airflow and make your system work harder.
- Keep return and supply vents clear of furniture, rugs and other obstructions. Dust them regularly.



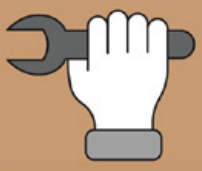
Outdoor Unit Care
Once or twice a year

- Keep leaves, grass and other debris at least 2 feet away from the outdoor unit.
- Gently rinse dirty condenser coils with a garden hose, following your manufacturer's recommendations.



Proactive Service
Twice a year

- Schedule professional tune-ups in spring for cooling and fall for heating.
- Have ductwork checked for leaks or disconnected sections, and seal leaks with mastic or foil-backed tape.



Thermostat Smarts
Year-round

- Adjust your thermostat when you're asleep or away. In summer, set it a little higher; in winter, a little lower.
- Consider a programmable or smart thermostat to automatically manage temperatures and save energy.





PKM CO-OP MONTH OPEN HOUSE

Event Recap and Prize Winner

CONGRATULATIONS, MARK!



Members were invited to stop into the PKM office in Warren the week of Oct. 13-15 for treats and to register for door prizes as we celebrated National Co-op Month.

Mark Szklarski here was the grand prize winner of a PKM RTIC cooler full of PKM swag.

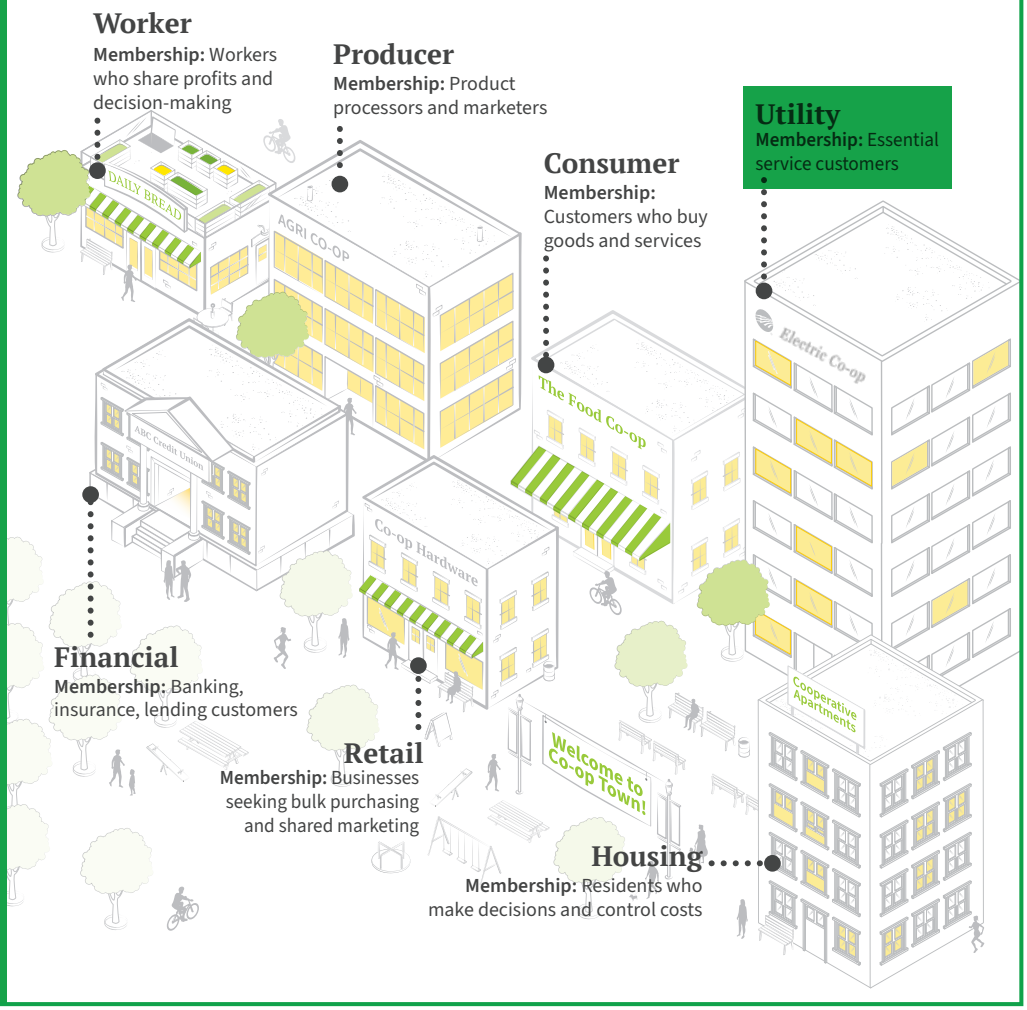
Energy credit and coloring contest winners will be announced after Oct. 31.

KINDS OF CO-OPS

Cooperatives come in many forms—from electric utilities and credit unions to farm supply stores and housing co-ops—but all cooperatives are built with a common purpose: to meet the needs of the members they serve.

Co-ops strengthen local communities, keep decisions close to home and invest in long-term success.

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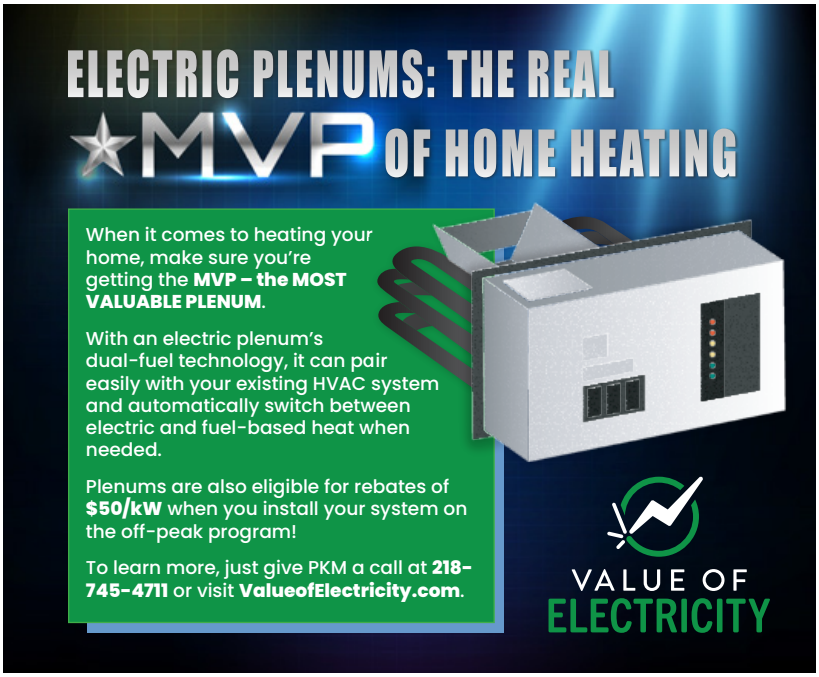


UNCLAIMED CAPITAL CREDIT CHECKS

The names below are individuals whose capital credit checks from previous general retirements were returned or remain uncashed. The state is their last known address on record. If you recognize a name, please let that individual know they can contact PKM Electric at 218-745-4711 or info@pkmcoop.com to claim their capital credit check.

AMUNDSON, DEBRA, MN
AMUNDSON, GERALD R., MN
AMUNDSON, JAMES D., MN
AMUNDSON, MORRIS, ND
AMUNDSON, OLGA, MN
ANDERSON, ANNA M., ND
ANDERSON, DAVID G., ND
ANDERSON, DONAFAE, MN
ANDERSON, GARRY, MN
ANDERSON, JOY, ND
ANDERSON, SARAH, MI
ANDERSON, SPENCER, LA
ANDERSON, TERRY L., MN
ANDERSON, VERNIE V., ND
ASH, W. H., MN
ASH BROTHERS, MN
BAKER, ROSEMARY, MN
BAKER, SCOTT, TX
BAKKE, CHARLES, MN
BAKKE, KENNETH, ND
BALDERSTON, DARLENE, MN
BALDWIN, MARK, MN
BALKAM, GARY, IL
BARBER, DOROTHY G., MN
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BECHTEL, JOAN, WA
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BEDARD, JOEL, FL
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DAHL, JAMES M., MN
DAHL, RUBY E., MN
DAHL, SHANNON, MN
DAHL, TAMI, ND
DAN GUST FARMS, ND
DEITZ, DARRELL, MN
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DIPPLE, DENNIS, ND
DONARSKI, CONRAD, MN
DUFAULT, MICHEL, MN
DUFAULT, ROYAL, MN
DUTCH FRIENDSHIP FARMS, ND
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EAST, DAVID C., UT
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EFTA, MYLES, MN
ELSHAUG, LEONARD, ND
EMANUELSON BROS., ND
ENGSTROM, BRUCE, MN
ERASMO, HERNANDEZ, ND
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GRANHEIM, MARK D., ND
GRAY, KEN, AZ
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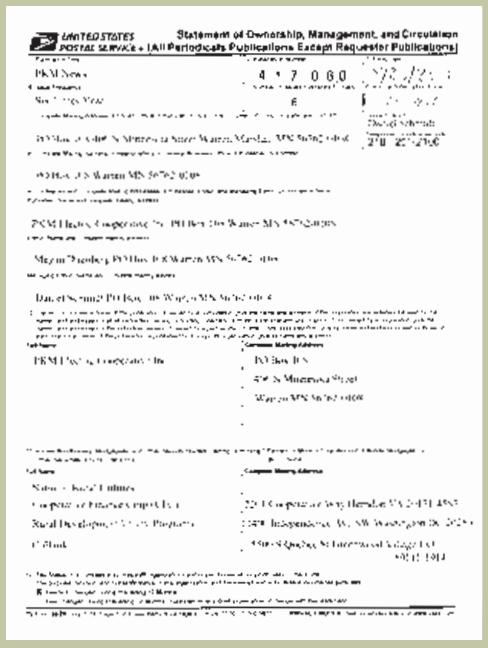
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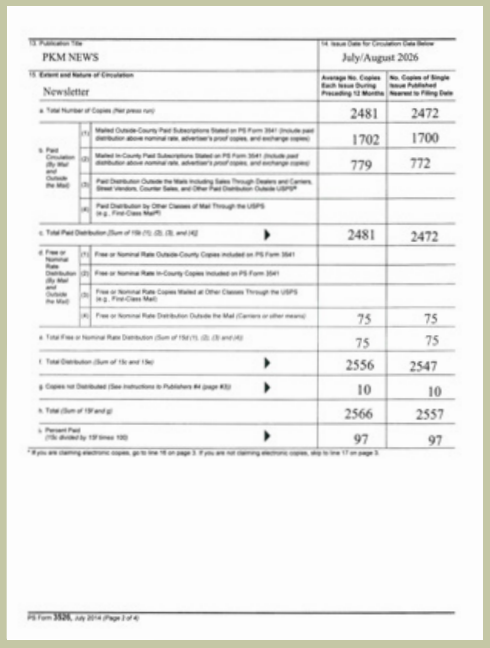
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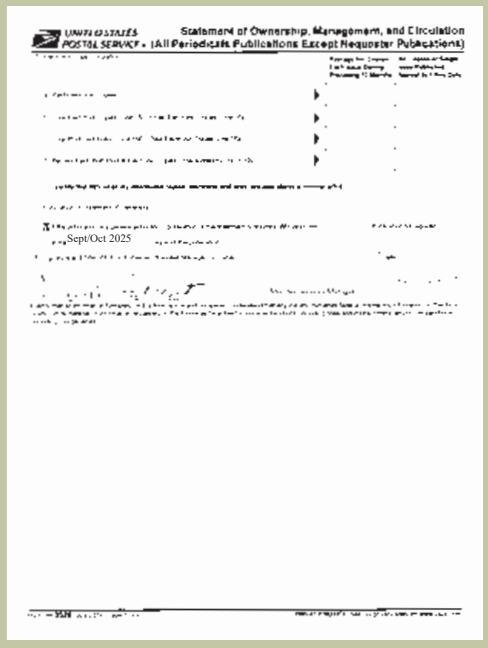
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PKM BOARD MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

These are the minutes from the July 2026 and August 2026 regular board meetings.

A quorum of directors was in attendance for the July 28, 2026, regular board meeting. In addition to approving routine actions, agenda action items were approved including second quarter financials. The staff reports included the safety report, outage summary and monthly financial report. Informational items were discussed, including Federated Rural Electric Insurance Exchange Minnesota Group Retention program mid-year update, CFC KRTA 2025 Executive Summary, Carr's Tree Service financials and cooperative energy sales.

A quorum of directors was in attendance for the Aug. 25, 2026, regular board meeting. In addition to approving routine actions, agenda action items were approved. An executive session was called to order. The staff reports included the safety report, outage summary, major projects completed, monthly financial report and office report. Another executive session was called to order. Informational items were also discussed, including PKM's Facebook launch, Upper Sioux/Minnesota Valley West Central Tribune, CFC District 6 director candidates, Call to Order Online, NRECA voting delegate and cooperative energy sales. Financials were provided for Carr's Tree Service.

Detailed minutes are available at the cooperative for member review. Regular board meetings are generally held on the last Tuesday of every month. If you wish to speak with the board or have an item that you would like to have placed on the agenda, please contact the cooperative at least two weeks in advance to be included on the agenda.

ENERGY EFFICIENCY: TIP OF THE MONTH



Don't let phantom energy haunt your electric bill this October. Many electronics continue using electricity even when they're turned off. TVs, gaming systems, coffee makers and phone chargers can quietly draw power around the clock. While each device uses only a small amount, the energy waste can add up over time. Unplug devices you don't use regularly or plug them into a smart power strip.

IS YOUR OFF-PEAK HEATING SYSTEM

READY FOR WINTER?

Since weather conditions and future wholesale power market prices make the amount of load control hours hard to predict, all our off-peak members are encouraged to have a reliable, automatic dual heating system in place and ready to use.

To ensure your total comfort this winter, consider the following questions about your backup heating system:

1. **Is the system sized to heat your entire home or business?**
2. **Does it maintain an adequate comfort level?**
3. **Is it reliable?**
4. **Is it fully automatic?**

Check current fuel prices and be sure to fill your propane or fuel oil tank. Also, make sure your tank is large enough to hold an adequate supply. Remember, prices typically rise as demand increases during the heating season. Our member services department is glad to answer any off-peak questions you may have.

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PKM Electric COOPERATIVE, INC.

Celebrating the COOPERATIVE DIFFERENCE

October is National Co-op Month

When you hear the word **cooperative**, what comes to mind? As your local electric cooperative, we hope you think of PKM Electric Cooperative.

Cooperatives come in all shapes and sizes, but they all share one important characteristic: They are led by the people they serve. Whether it's your local credit union, a farmer-owned cooperative or your electric cooperative, the goal is the same — to meet the needs of members and strengthen the communities they call home.

At PKM Electric Cooperative, that commitment has guided us from the very beginning. Our cooperative was built by neighbors coming together to bring electricity to rural homes and businesses. While much has changed over the years, our purpose remains rooted in serving our members.



Our mission and vision reinforces who we are and what matters most. It's a reflection of our responsibility to our member-owners and our continued commitment to providing safe, reliable service while making thoughtful decisions for the future.

One of the things that makes a cooperative special is that we're more than an electric provider. We're your neighbors, friends and fellow community members. You'll see that commitment in our lineworkers restoring power after a storm, our employees helping members find ways to save energy and money, and our involvement in the communities we proudly serve.

It's also reflected in one of our seven cooperative principles: Concern for Community. Whether we're supporting local students, participating in community events or investing in the future of our service territory, we believe that when our communities thrive, we all benefit.

This October, we're proud to celebrate National Co-op Month and the cooperative difference. Thank you to all who joined us for our Co-op Month Open House as we recognized the members who make our cooperative possible.

At the heart of it all is a simple idea: PKM Electric Cooperative belongs to you. Our mission and vision are reminders of that responsibility and our commitment to serving you and the communities we call home for generations to come.