

MEET YOUR 2017 DIRECTOR CANDIDATES



Price Electric Cooperative is divided into nine districts, each of which is represented by one director. Collectively the nine directors comprise the board of directors. Directors are elected by the total membership at the annual meeting and serve terms of three years. Members are reminded that nominations can still be made by filing signatures of 15 or more members. This filing must be received by the PEC corporate office not less than 25 days prior to the annual meeting on June 8, 2017. Districts 7, 8, and 9 are up for election this year. Please see your director candidate information below.

District 7: Townships of Eisenstein and Fifield

Michael Atkinson

Michael lives at W6908 Dam Rd. in Fifield. He has three children and six grandchildren. He has been a member of the cooperative for 19 years and has served as District 7 director since 2012.

Michael is retired from Johnson Controls, but does work part-time at Kountry Kafe in Fifield. He is a Vietnam Veteran, having served in the U.S. Navy. Michael's hobbies include power lifting, cooking, gardening, fishing, and model railroading.



District 8: Townships of Lac du Flambeau, Minocqua, and Sherman

Gerald Luke

Gerald resides at 2695W State Highway 182 in Springstead. He has been a member of PEC for 49 years and was appointed to the PEC board in 2014. He says he is "proud to be the District 8 director in a well-run organization."

Gerald is a retired municipal judge. He served as the town chair of Sherman for three terms and as an Iron County supervisor for three terms. He also worked as a mechanic at Uhen's Garage in New Munster for 43 years doing small engine work. His interests include genealogy and research work, collecting antiques, history writing and preservation, photography, following and speaking out on current events and issues, art, reading, woodworking, and gardening. He is also a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, having served with Attack Squadron 215 aboard USS Hancock and Bon Homme Richard in Vietnam. Gerald is a fifth-generation Wisconsin resident.

Gerald wishes to continue as District 8 director because he feels that his experiences and consumer advocacy skills make a difference on the PEC Board of Directors. He believes that there is always room for improvement. He is a "people person" and gives his all to any task he undertakes.



District 9: Townships of Agenda, Gordon, Jacobs, Mercer, Morse, and Peeksville

Francis Gwinn

Francis and his wife, Lois, live at 80689 Peeksville Road in Butternut. They have two children and five grandchildren. They have been members of Price Electric Cooperative for 20 years, and he has served as a Price Electric Cooperative board director for District 9 since 2002.

Francis is retired after a 33-year career as an industrial education instructor in the Oshkosh public school system. He currently runs his own business, CPA Forest Products. In his spare time Francis enjoys hunting, fishing, boating, and traveling.

Francis is a member of the National Education Association and the Wisconsin Education Association, and he is the town chairman for the Town of Peeksville. He has earned a master's degree in industrial education.

In his time on the PEC board, he has completed the Board Leadership training courses and has served as the PEC representative on the Dairyland Board of Directors for the past two years.

Francis believes his past educational and work experiences, including his experience gained on the Price Electric and Dairyland boards, will enable him to continue to contribute in a positive way as a cooperative director. He states that District 9 will be actively represented at board meetings since he is self-employed and will be able to attend all meetings. He has a sincere interest in the continued growth of Price Electric Cooperative.



Christopher Muonio

Chris and his wife, Bobbi, live at 77374 Nagel Road in Glidden. They have three children and have been Price Electric members for nine years.

Chris is semi-retired, having been employed in sales for Sysco Foods of Baraboo for 25 years. In his free time, Chris enjoys outdoor activities such as kayaking, as well as spending time with family and friends. He is active in supporting the community through sports programs and events. He likes getting to know new people throughout the community.

Chris feels that his background and qualifications would assist him in representing the members and making choices in their best interest. Throughout his career, he helped businesses achieve financial success by being open-minded and moving forward with the changing times. His communication and problem-solving skills plus his flexible schedule would assist him in being an advocate for District 9.

If elected to represent District 9, Chris's goal would be to support and grow the cooperative by keeping it safe, reliable, and affordable for the members and the community.





MARK YOUR CALENDAR!



The Price Electric Cooperative
77th Annual Member Meeting
 will be held on
Thursday, June 8, 2017
 at Phillips High School.

Join us for dinner starting at
 5 p.m. followed by the member meeting at 6 p.m.



SUMMER LOAD MANAGEMENT SEASON BEGINS

The summer load management season will run from May 1–October 31. Full load control periods will take place in June, July, and August between 2–6 p.m. (Please note the change in times from previous years.) The load management program enhances reliability for all members during times of peak electrical demand. It also helps reduce costs for all co-op members with additional savings for participating members.

For more information on the load management program, please contact Price Electric. PEC would like to thank all members who participate in load management activities.

VOTING FOR DIRECTORS BY ABSENTEE BALLOT

If you are unable to attend the June 8, 2017, annual meeting of members you may request an absentee ballot. A written request must be made to Price Electric Cooperative's office using the form printed below or by letter containing the required information of date, name, address, telephone, customer number, and signature. The request for absentee ballot must be received by June 1, 2017.



A ballot will be mailed to you. Signed absentee ballots must be received at Price Electric Cooperative's office no later than noon on June 7, 2017.

Price Electric Cooperative 77th Annual Meeting Absentee Ballot Request Form

Name _____ Date _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Telephone _____ PEC Customer Number _____
(from your light bill)

Signature _____

When requesting a ballot by mail, please allow ample time for mail delivery to and from your home.
 Request for absentee ballot must be received by June 1, 2017.

Please return to Price Electric Cooperative, 508 N. Lake Ave., P.O. Box 110, Phillips, WI, 54555

REBATE UPDATE

So far in 2017, PEC members have received **\$2,143** in energy efficiency rebates from Price Electric and Dairyland Power Cooperative, and **\$7,647** in incentives and savings from Focus on Energy initiatives. Please contact Price Electric or visit www.price-electric.com for more information on how you can take advantage of energy efficiency incentives available for PEC members!



POLICY UPDATES

The Board of Directors has recently revised Policy 522 and Schedule Z (service fees).
The revised policy and Schedule Z are printed in their entirety below.

Policy #522-Service Extension

General

Price Electric Cooperative will render service to all consumers within its service area who apply for membership and service from the Cooperative in accordance with the rules and regulations set forth by the Cooperative.

A Cooperative representative will determine the type of construction and the location of the point of service. No service will be connected without a means of disconnect.

The applicant will be responsible for all necessary permits and permit fees, and must clear the rights of way according to Cooperative specifications. The applicant will also be responsible for obtaining necessary right of way easements. The applicant will pay all out of the ordinary construction costs incurred, such as but not limited to: owner changes that require a service to be re-staked, inspections, bores, junction box cut-ins or pole, additional costs incurred due to difficult construction conditions. All fees assessed to the member are as referenced in Rate Tariff Schedule Z.

If construction takes place between November 1 and April 1, additional winter charges may be applied.

Before any new facilities will be extended to a member, all/ any past due bills must be paid in full.

Single Phase Service

To establish a new permanent service (new meter base or pedestal) to a single consumer, a non-refundable minimum construction charge is required and must be paid in advance of any installation. Minimum construction charge per Schedule Z. Construction must be completed within twelve months following payment. All service extensions require that electric service shall continue in force for five (5) years from the date service is made available by the Cooperative.

Those requiring electrical service extensions must pay, in advance of any construction, charges per Schedule Z, starting at the Cooperative's existing facilities to the point of metering. The Cooperative will end its service at a minimum of a 200 amp meter pedestal or meter base, which will be purchased by the consumer and is the property of the member.

In the event that another member or members connect to the extension within five (5) years of the date the service was originally connected, the original member on the extension will be reimbursed proportionately for the previous charges as long as ownership of the property for which the fee was paid is retained.

Three-Phase Service

To establish a new permanent three-phase service with the Cooperative, a non-refundable minimum construction charge is required and must be paid in advance of any installation.

Minimum construction charge per Schedule Z. Three-phase service will be quoted per availability and at actual cost of the full line extension. The term of the contract for three-phase service will be ten (10) years.

Land Development

It will be considered a land development when electric service is requested for three (3) or more lots that are recorded and platted. The developer will be required to provide the right of way easements and a complete certified plat plan. It will be the responsibility of the developer to clear the rights of way according to Cooperative specifications.

Charges per Schedule Z, starting at the Cooperative's existing facilities, must be paid in advance of any construction. Payments are good for construction for one year from initiation. Unused portions of these payments can be returned when requested or after one year, if actual construction has

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SCHEDULE Z – SERVICE FEES

TYPE OF FEE

New or Change of Service

200 AMP Double Pedestal	\$1,210.00
200 AMP Single Pedestal.....	\$825.00
320 AMP Single Pedestal	\$1,650.00
Junction Box	\$1,000.00
Overhead Construction.....	Cost Per Assembly Unit Constructed
Retirement of System Assets.....	\$Total Job Cost (labor/material)
Premature Retirement/Plant Loss	Per Estimate
Road Bore	\$15.00/Foot (in addition to cable footage charge)
Road Bore Winter Charge	Additional Winter Charge per Estimate
Minimum Construction Charge	\$1,400.00
Temporary Service (Includes Installation & Removal)	\$1,000.00
Three-Phase Service/Construction	\$Total Job Cost (labor/material)
Underground Cable Construction Footage	\$9.00/Foot for first 400'
	\$4.00/Foot thereafter
Construction Winter Charges.....	Additional Winter Charge per Estimate

Collections/Disconnect-Reconnect Fees

Collection/Disconnection Trip.....	\$50.00
Reconnect after disconnect	
During business hours.....	\$50.00
After business hours.....	\$150.00
Sunday & Holidays	\$300.00
Reconnection of Service	\$25.00

Miscellaneous

Meter Testing Fee	\$50.00
Cut Meter Seal Fee	\$100.00
Non outage trip	
During business hours.....	\$50.00
After business hours.....	\$100.00



Price Electric Puzzler

How closely are you reading your issue of *WEC News*? Each month, we will present a question whose answer can be found in the issue. Return the answer, and you could receive a \$25 bill credit!

Please drop off or mail your answer to Price Electric or email your answer to info@price-electric.com. A winner will be drawn from all correct entries on May 31.

The winners of the March PEC Puzzler were George and Sandy Kozak. Congratulations!

What is the date of the 2017 PEC Annual Meeting?

Answer

Name

Account Number

Phone

Please return to Price Electric Cooperative,
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not been initiated. There will be no reimbursement for any portion of the construction fee as a result of another member or members connecting to the facilities built in the development project. One active monthly billed service will be required in any land development.

Minimum Construction Charge

The minimum construction

charge includes: staking and site visit, mobilization expenses and other associated construction costs.

Optional Buyout for Contracts Prior to March 4, 2004

The Cooperative, upon request, will calculate the amount of the excess investment that is still outstanding. Payment of the amount calculated will remove the adder and establish the service availability charge at the current rate per PEC's rate tariffs.

2017 MEMBER PHOTO CONTEST

Introducing Price Electric's 2017 member photo contest! Members are invited to submit photos for inclusion in our 2018 calendar. Winning photos may be used in future newsletters or cooperative publications.



Photo Contest Criteria:

- Photos must be taken within the Price Electric Cooperative service area.
- Photos should capture life in northern Wisconsin (seasons, wildlife, landscape, people, etc.).
- Photos must have a horizontal (landscape) orientation.
- Photos can be in color or black and white.
- Photos must be high resolution—at least 300 dpi and 8"x10".

Photo Contest Rules and Details:

- Photos must be submitted by July 31, 2017.
- Three (3) photos per member will be accepted.
- All PEC members 18 years and up are eligible to submit photos.
- A PEC member under 18 is eligible to participate, but must submit a parent/guardian form with entry.
- A completed entry form must accompany each photo.
- Member must own rights to photo.
- PEC employees will determine the winning photos.

Photo Contest Entry Options:

- Email: info@price-electric.com
- Mail: P.O. Box 110, Phillips, WI 54555
- Drop Off: Price Electric Cooperative Office—508 N Lake Avenue, Phillips

Entry forms and photo release forms can be downloaded from PEC's website at www.price-electric.com, picked up at the PEC office, or emailed upon request.

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