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2022 Annual Meeting Official Notice



Members of South River Electric Membership Corporation will gather online or via phone Thursday, April 21 at 6 p.m. for the Annual Meeting of Members.

Purpose:

- The reports of officers, directors and committees.
- All other business, which may come before the meeting or any adjournment thereof.

The Board is made up of nine (9) member directors. In accordance with the bylaws, the directors are elected annually from geographic districts to serve a three-consecutive-year term. There are two ways in which directors may be elected by a committee on nominations or by petition.

Earlier in 2022, the following incumbent directors were nominated by the nominating committee and elected to serve an additional term.

- District 4: Jeffery Martin
- District 6: Dr. E. Sue Godwin-Baker
- District 8: Clifton McNeill, Jr.

By Petition:

Any 100 members of the Cooperative acting together may make nominations in writing, listing the nominees separately with respect to the particular term and the particular directorate district from which they are nominated, not less than (40) business days prior to the meeting.

Check Out Our Home Solar Toolkit

Are you considering solar power? If so, South River EMC has an informational toolkit designed to simplify complex questions about solar power as a home-energy resource.

As members are showing an increased interest in home solar technologies, we want to ensure



we provide information that helps them make informed decisions.

The South River EMC Advise Guys are also available to provide assistance and information. Check out our residential solar information page at sremc.com/residential-solar.

By visiting our page, you will find information to important questions such as:

- What factors should I consider?
- How could adding solar impact my electric bill?
- What happens on a rainy day or at night?

Check it out before making that important decision.

Annual Meeting Details

The South River EMC annual meeting will be held remotely on April 21. We are offering phone-in and live-streaming options.

Online/streaming: At 6 p.m., visit Access.live/SREMCAnnualMtg

Phone-In: You will call 833-380-0614. Once connected, **press *6** to register (necessary in order to receive \$10 credit).

Your participation in the annual meeting means that you will receive a \$10 credit on your next electric bill, as well as being entered in a prize drawing to take place the following week.

You must login or call-in and register to receive the bill credit. If you are listening with another member, you must each register separately.

Anyone registering on behalf of a company or church must be listed as an authorized person on the account.

Login Information

• The member's name, as it appears on the account, is located on the cover.

• Be sure the information you enter matches account information. Member name, phone number and e-mail address will be used to match attendance to member account.

• If you are unsure of any of the required information, check your bill, review your account online or call our member service department at 910.892.8071.

• Login and phone-in information can also be found on sremc.com/annual-meeting.

• Members must be logged in or call in by 6 p.m. to be eligible for credit and prizes.

• Prizes will consist of \$4,000 in bill credits, featuring a grand prize of a \$1,000 credit.

Meeting live streamed by:



Directors For Election:

Jeffrey Martin lives in the Spivey's Corner area of Sampson County. He is a 1976 graduate of Clement School. He worked for his family business, Martin's Abattoir & Wholesale Meats, Inc., for almost 40 years where his responsibilities included executive management positions such as cattle procurement, cattle and beef transportation and director of operations. He is co-owner of Martin Family Farms LLC, a beef cattle operation located in NC. Martin served on the NC Meat Processors Board of Directors for over 20 years and he is currently serving his third term on the South River EMC Board of Directors.

Martin received his Credentialed Cooperative Director certification in 2016 and the National Rural Electric Board Leadership Certificate and the Director Gold Certification.

Martin is married to Angela Phillips Martin and has two daughters, Cassie and Kallee. They are members of Clement Baptist Church.



Jeffery Martin

Dr. Sue Godwin-Baker has served on the South River EMC Board of Directors since 2012; serving as board chair since 2017. Dr. Godwin-Baker has completed the Credentialed Cooperative Director Program (five core courses) as well as having successfully completed the Board Leadership Certificate (10 hours) and the Director Gold Credential (three additional courses every two years).



Dr. E. Sue
Godwin-Baker

During her career, Dr. Godwin-Baker held various teaching and administrative positions in Cumberland, Beaufort, and Harnett counties. She retired from the public school system in 2010. She then wrote and implemented the Master of Education program at Methodist University and retired from MU in 2016. Since retiring, she has taken classes at Fayetteville Technical Community College.

Dr. Godwin-Baker is a member of First Presbyterian Church in Fayetteville. She has served as deacon, elder, and Stephen Minister. She has served on the Allocation Committee for Cumberland County Partnership for Children. She and her husband, Warren, live in Eastover.

Clifton McNeill lives in the Gray's Creek Community of Cumberland County. He is a 1967 graduate of Gray's Creek High School and a 1971 graduate of NC State University where he obtained a bachelor's of science in Agricultural Engineering.

McNeill is retired from the NC Dept. of Transportation Roadside Environmental Unit where he worked as a roadside environmental engineer and a field operations engineer. He has also farmed as a partner in McNeill Farms from 1975-2014 growing tobacco, corn, soybeans, small grain, strawberries, greenhouse tomatoes and other produce.

McNeill was elected to the South River EMC Board of Directors in 2013 and has obtained his Credentialed Cooperative Director certificate, Board Leadership Certificate and the Director Gold Certification.



Clifton McNeill, Jr.

The Brighter Future Initiative & You

South River EMC has joined North Carolina's 25 other electric cooperatives in expanding efforts to build a brighter future for our members and communities across the state, including over 46,000 members our Cooperative serves in Harnett, Cumberland, Sampson, Johnston and Bladen counties.

We Have Sustainability Goals

We are working toward two significant goals in order to deliver low-carbon electricity over a grid that is more efficient, resilient and secure:



2030 TARGET
50%
Reduction in carbon emissions from 2005

2050 TARGET
NET ZERO
Carbon emissions

By coordinating new and existing resources and implementing innovative services for our members, we are creating a modern electric grid that is more flexible, resilient and capable of supporting new energy solutions and the growing needs of local communities.

Grid Operations Are Being Improved



North Carolina's electric cooperatives are developing a "virtual power plant," coordinating thousands of distributed energy resources across the cooperative network. Coordination of these resources ensures they work together to deliver the most possible value to all cooperative members.

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Statewide electric vehicle charging network

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Microgrids

18

Community solar sites

35

Megawatts of conservation voltage reduction*

28

THOUSAND demand response devices**

* A way to deliver power more efficiently

** Consumer-based devices, like smart thermostats, that can be coordinated to save energy system-wide

Cooperative Difference



Because electric cooperatives are led by members and belong to the communities they serve, co-ops understand local needs and drive innovation to meet those needs—never to make a profit.

\$40 MILLION

Loans of up to \$2 million at 0% interest

\$12.9 MILLION

Provided to classrooms through education grant program

\$57 MILLION

Provided for economic development grants and loans



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