

# Carolina country

October 2021

## 2021 Annual Meeting Details

The South River EMC annual meeting will be held remotely on October 14. We are offering members phone and live-streaming options.

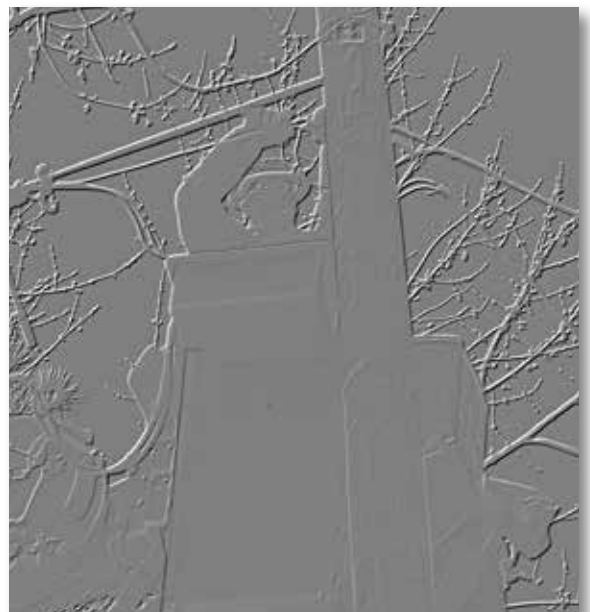
**Online/streaming:** [Access.live/SREMCAnnualMtg](https://access.live/SREMCAnnualMtg) at 6 pm. on October 14.

**Phone-In:** You will call 833-380-0614. Once connected, press \*6 and enter the requested information.

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.



2021 Annual Meeting  
October 14 at 6 p.m.



# Official Notice

Members of South River Electric Membership Corporation will gather Thursday, October 14, 2021, online or via phone 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.

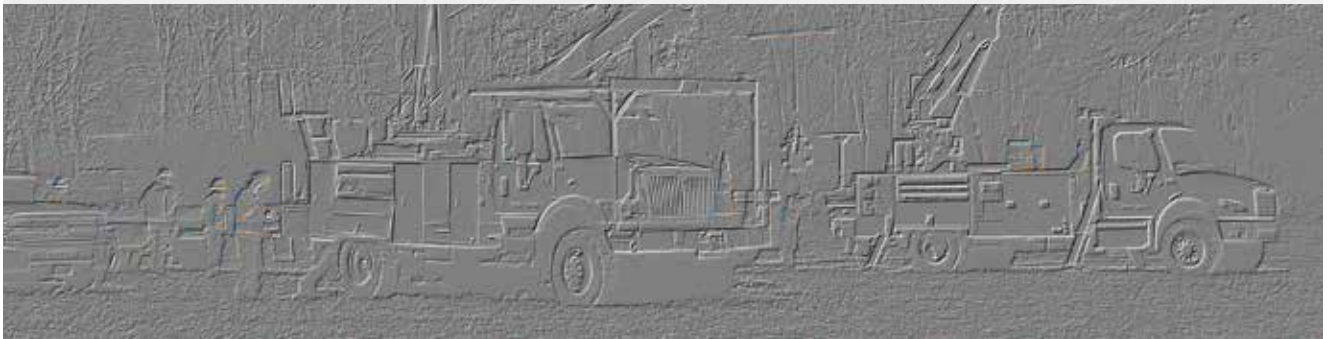
## By Committee:

Earlier in 2021, the following incumbent directors were nominated by the nominating committee and elected to serve an additional term:

- **District 3:** J.W. Simmons
- **District 5:** Dorcas Fisher
- **District 7:** Wayne Collier

## 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 forty (40) business days prior to the meeting.



## Important Information

- The member's name, as it appears on the account, is located on the opposite side of this card.
- If you are unsure of any of the required information, check your bill, review your account online at [sremc.com](http://sremc.com) or call our member service department at 910.892.8071.
- Login and phone-in information can be found at [sremc.com/annual-meeting](http://sremc.com/annual-meeting).
- 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.
- Members must log-in or call-in by 6 p.m. to be eligible for credit and prizes.

Meeting live streamed by:



# Newly Re-Elected Directors



**James (J.W.) Simmons**

J.W. Simmons joined the South River EMC Board of Directors to represent District 3 in 2018. Simmons has been a member of South River EMC for many years and has a keen interest in seeing the Cooperative prosper and grow to the benefit of all members. He has over 30 years with Sampson Community College serving as Director of Adult Education with specific oversight for Community Services, Small Business Center, Emergency Services, Lifelong Learning, etc. Additionally, he is producer and host of the weekly talk show “We Should Know...” on Star Communications channel 16. Simmons is actively involved with the community, serving in many capacities including elder and past board chair at Carr Memorial Christian Church; NC Community College Adult Educators Association; State Employees Credit Union advisory board member; chair, local emergency planning committee; Clinton Sampson County Rotary Club; Sampson County Substance Abuse Coalition board member, Eastern North Carolina Gang Conference planning committee; and N.C. Law Enforcement Officers Training Association member. He lives in the Clinton area with his wife, Betty. Simmons has achieved his Credentialed Cooperative Director, Board Leadership and Director Gold Credential certificates.

Dorcas Fisher joined the South River EMC Board of Directors in 2012. She is a lifelong resident of the Autryville area. She graduated from Clement High School and Hardbarger Junior College. She has worked in banking, insurance, health, retail, real estate, federal and state government, two years with Cumberland County schools and 14 years with Sampson County schools. She is a co-owner of the family farm operation. Fisher is a lifelong member of Mt. Carmel Church of God of Prophecy in Autryville. Having heard stories from her family and neighbors over the years of how proud they were to “get power” back in the 1940s, she feels a personal commitment to help South River EMC continue to grow and serve its members. She has attended annual meetings with her family over the past 50 years. She has three children: Derek and Daryl Fisher, and the late Julie Fisher. She also proudly brags about her seven grandchildren. Fisher has earned her Credentialed Cooperative Director, Board Leadership and Director Gold Credential certificates.



**Dorcas Fisher**



**C. Wayne Collier Jr.**

Wayne Collier joined the South River EMC Board of Directors in 2017. Rural living has been a mainstay in Collier’s life. He grew up on a family farm and received a bachelor’s degree in Animal Science from NC State University. He worked for his family farm raising hogs, tending row crops and Bermuda hay all the while working full-time for the U.S. Postal Service. Collier is a lifelong member of the Cooperative; he also served on the nominating committee for several years before assuming the unexpired term of director from district seven in June 2017. Collier has deep roots in his community serving in many capacities over the years with the following organizations: as a deacon and elder of Sardis Presbyterian church; the Westarea Fire Department; Cumberland County Farm Bureau Board of Directors; Cumberland County Soil and Water Supervisor; N.C. Soil and Water Commission; Cumberland County Board of Elections (as judge and chief judge); Linden Christian Men’s Fellowship; Cumberland County Livestock Association; Cumberland County 4-H; Cub Scouts; Boy Scouts; and the U.S. Pony Club. Collier has achieved his Credentialed Cooperative Director, Board Leadership and Director Gold Credential certificates.



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