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Aug. 3 deadline for Crawford Electric board petitions approaches

FOR MORE INFORMATION

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BOURBON – Individuals interested in serving on the board of directors of Crawford Electric Cooperative have just a few more days to get on the election ballot by turning in a nominating petition signed by at least 15 co-op members. The candidate petition period closes at 5 p.m. Friday, Aug. 3.

Three positions on the board of directors of Crawford Electric Cooperative need to be filled with an election coinciding with the annual meeting of members on Wednesday, Sept. 19. As a locally owned and locally controlled not-for-profit cooperative, Crawford Electric is guided by a board of nine elected consumer-members who understand and listen to the community. The board sets policy and develops long-range goals, always safe-guarding the interests of co-op members. Each year, one-third of the board is up for election.

To be a candidate for a position on the board, a person must be a member of the cooperative whose permanent residence is in the co-op's service territory. In addition, the co-op bylaws list potential conflicts of interest that preclude an individual's candidacy. Candidate information packets are currently available at the co-op office (10301 N. Service Rd., Bourbon) or online in the About Us > Board of Directors section of the co-op's website: www.CrawfordElec.com.

Nominating petitions signed by at least 15 co-op members must be delivered to the co-op office during the official petition period, which began on June 21 and runs through the close of business on Friday, Aug. 3.

Three three-year board positions – one from each of the co-op's three geographic districts – are up for election at each annual meeting. The expiring director positions currently are held by Justin "Bink" Blankenship of Sullivan (District 1), Doug Murphy of Bourbon (District 2) and Jim Cottrell of Cherryville (District 3). All have filed for re-election.

Nominating petitions are posted in the co-op office as they are received; a complete listing of candidates is publicized after the close of the petition period.

The director election will be decided by a vote of the co-op membership. Members may vote at the annual meeting, set to begin at 10 a.m. Wednesday, Sept. 19, at co-op headquarters. Those unable to attend the meeting may vote for directors by mail. An insert with the August billing statements will offer members a way to request a mail-in ballot. Members also may call 888-401-0169 or visit www.crawfordelec.com to request a ballot and to get the latest information on the director election.

Crawford Electric Cooperative is a member of Touchstone Energy, a national alliance of locally owned, community-minded electric co-ops with high standards of service. Crawford Electric serves almost 20,000 meters along almost 3,000 miles of distribution lines in Crawford, Franklin, Gasconade, Washington and Dent counties.



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