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Agralite Electric Cooperative NEWSLETTER

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Understanding Power Surges And Blinks

Have you ever noticed your lights blink during a thunderstorm? Or perhaps you've noticed a blinking microwave clock when you arrive home. When this happens, you've likely experienced a brief disruption to your electric service, which could result from a power surge or blink. While the symptoms of surges and blinks can appear similar, what's happening behind the scenes can be quite different.

What's A Power Surge?

Power surges are brief over voltage spikes or disturbances of a power waveform that can damage, degrade or destroy electronic equipment within your home or business. Most electronics are designed to handle small variations in voltage; however, power surges can reach amplitudes of tens of thousands of volts--this can be extremely damaging to your electronic equipment.

Surges can be caused by internal sources, like HVAC systems with variable frequency drives, or external sources, like lightning and damage to power lines and transformers.

Agralite Electric Cooperative encourages all members to install surge protective devices (such as surge protector power strips) to safeguard your sensitive electronics. If you're experiencing frequent surges in your home or business and you believe the cause is internal, contact a qualified electrician to inspect your electrical system.

What's A Power Blink?

Power blinks are also brief service interruptions, but they're typically caused by a fault (short circuit) on a power line or a protective device that's working in reaction to the fault. Faults can occur through a variety of instances, like squirrels, birds or other small animals contacting an energized power line; tree branches touching a power line; or lightning and other similar events. In fact, when it comes to power disruptions caused by critters, squirrels reign supreme. In 2019 alone, squirrels were responsible for more than 1,200 outages.

Any of the events noted above can cause your power to blink, but you may also experience a brief interruption when protective devices that act like circuit breakers are working to detect the fault. Believe it or not, these brief power blinks caused by protective devices are actually good because that means the equipment is working as it should to prevent a prolonged outage.

Regardless of the cause, Agralite Electric Cooperative crews will be on their way to inspect the damage and make necessary repairs after a power outage. And you can help too! Any time you experience repeated disruptions to your electric service, please let us know by calling 888-884-3887.

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Find your account number and win a \$100 credit!

If your account number (as it appears on your monthly electric bill) is one of the [four account numbers](#) hidden in this issue, give our office a call by the end of the month and you will receive a \$100 bill credit. If more than one member finds their account number in a single issue, \$100 will be split equally amongst them.

Congratulations to Orlean Dougherty, our June winner!

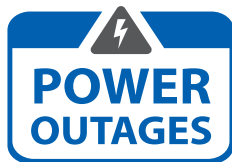
Energy Saving Tip:



When shopping for new light bulbs, know the difference between lumens and watts.

Lumens measure the amount of light produced by the bulb. Watts measure energy consumption. Energy-saving LEDs come in a variety of colors and brightness levels and last 15-25 times longer than incandescent bulbs.

Source: www.energy.gov



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[Do not call the office for outages](#)

July Energy Payment
is due August 20.*

*We accept Visa, Discover & Mastercard.

Manager's Article by Kory Johnson, General Manager

Most of us use electricity, either directly or indirectly, at almost all times. Because electricity is so abundant and available with a simple flip of a switch, it's easy to take it for granted. According to the Energy Information Agency (EIA), the typical U.S. household now uses more air conditioning, appliances and consumer electronics than ever before. The average home also contains 10 or more internet-connected devices. Considering everything that is powered by electricity, it's no wonder we occasionally might wince at our monthly bill. But keep in mind, it's no longer just the "light bill."

And the last couple of months we have seen warmer than average temperatures, and less than normal rainfall. This has led to a higher usage of electricity across our service area. Agralite has seen the second most energy purchased in the month of June, second only to November 2019. The warm temperatures have increased the use of air conditioning to keep our homes comfortable and this will increase the monthly usage. Also, much of the month, Agralite saw significant irrigation loads.

Electricity Powers Quality Of Life

Electricity powers our quality of life. From the infrastructure of your home (appliances, water heater and HVAC system) to charging your smartphones, computers, TV and Wi-Fi router, your energy bill covers so much more than lighting. 1147800 Today, there is more demand for electricity than ever before. At home, in schools and business, and in commercial sectors such as transportation, the need for electricity is increasing.

Typically when demand goes up, so too does the price, as is the case with most goods or services, like cable or even your favorite specialty coffee. However, that's not true with electricity. Let's take a look at how the value of electricity compares to other common expenses. Over the last five years, the cost of rent increased 3.4%; medical care increased 2.8%; and education increased 2.2%. But the cost of electricity only increased 1%. Considering all the ways we depend on electricity, it still remains a great value.

So, the next time you're enjoying your favorite podcast, TV series or turning down the thermostat to cool down the house during these hot summer days, consider the value of electricity and how it enhances your quality of life. We care about you, the members we serve, and understand that electricity is more than a commodity—it's a necessity. That's why Agralite Electric Cooperative will continue working hard to power your life, reliably and affordably.

Hufford Farms Recognized As A 2021 'U Of M Farm Family'

Brothers, Jeff and Kirby Hufford, and their families of rural Morris have been named Stevens County's "2021 Farm Family of the Year" by the University of Minnesota.

Grandpa George and Grandma Mae Hufford moved to the farm north of Morris in the fall of 1948. They had two children, Dick who is married to Myrna and is Jeff and Kirby's dad, and Jim. Dick returned to the farm after the service and after working at a telephone company. Livestock has always been a part of the farm operation, mostly cattle and hogs, but at times, there have been chickens, turkeys and sheep.

With Dick and Myrna retired, sons Jeff and Kirby run the farm operation of approximately 2,000 acres of owned and rented cropland, pasture and CRP land. The Hufford's grow corn, soybeans, wheat and some hay. The farm is home to about 110 beef cows. The family also feeds about 200 head of cattle at a time and finishes about 3,000 hogs per year.

Jeff works full time on the farm. His son, Mitch, also works full time on the farm. Mitch and his wife, Katie, have two boys, Carson and Easton. Kirby works full time on the farm, and his wife, Julie, is co-owner of Visible Changes salon in Morris. Julie enjoys helping out with the cows and calves, fieldwork and fencing projects when her schedule allows.

They have a son, Taylor, who is married to Amanda. Taylor is very involved in the cow/calf part of the operation and works at the University of Minnesota's West Central Research and Outreach Center. Kirby and Julie's daughter, MaKenna, is also involved in the cow/calf part of the operation and will attend North Dakota State University this fall.

Hufford Farms Recognized As A 2021 'U Of M Farm Family', Continued

Dick Hufford served on the local school board and was a big supporter of agriculture and FFA programs at the family's school. He served in the National Guard and was township treasurer for many years. Dick and Myrna were very active in the West Central Cattlemen organization. Jeff was involved in the first Ag classes and FFA at Morris Area School. He has been involved with the Stevens County Pheasants Forever, Stevens County Pork Producers and the West Central Cattlemen. He is also Morris township clerk and a director on the Agralite Electric Co-op Board. Jeff coached youth baseball for many years. 756400

Kirby and Julie are very active with the West Central Cattlemen organization. Kirby was also one of the early FFA chapter members. He is involved with the Stevens County Pork Producers and has served as a director for Donnelly Co-op. The Hufford's children were all active FFA and 4-H members in their youth. MaKenna will be showing her 4-H beef cattle projects at the Stevens County Fair in August. The grandkids will soon be following in their footsteps. The Huffords will be recognized and honored locally at the annual community appreciation supper during the Stevens County Fair on Aug. 10.

The 2021 farm families will also be officially recognized in a ceremony on Thursday, Aug. 5, at the annual Farmfest near Redwood Falls. Profiles of the 2021 honorees and information on the recognition event can be found on the University's farm family website, <https://z.umn.edu/farm-families-year>. Honored families are chosen, one per county, by local University of Minnesota Extension committees based on their demonstrated commitment to their communities and to enhancing and supporting agriculture.

"These farm families are a major driver of Minnesota's economy and the vitality of Minnesota's rural communities," said Bev Durgan, Dean of University of Minnesota Extension. "The University of Minnesota is proud to recognize these farm families for their contributions to agriculture and their communities." Along with Farmfest, University units sponsoring the recognition event include University of Minnesota Extension, Minnesota Agricultural Experiment Station, the College of Food, Agricultural and Natural Resource Sciences, and the College of Veterinary Medicine.

Farmfest runs Aug. 3-5 at the Gilfillan Estate, near Redwood Falls, Minn. Event hours are from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission is \$8 in advance or \$10 at the gate and those 17 and under are admitted free. More information on Farmfest is available at <https://www.ideagroup.com/farmfest>.



Back By Popular Demand!

Agralite is seeking local photographs for our 2022 calendar contest. Photos should be of a landscape, natural element, or interesting view from within the Agralite service territory. We want you to share the diversity and wonder of our local landscape.

Photos must be submitted by Agralite members. Photos must be submitted by **October 1st, 2021**. Digital photos only. You must specify the subject of the photo and where it was taken. Please include contact information - account number, phone number, and address in your submission.

Selected photos will receive a \$15 bill credit. Cover photo will receive a \$30 bill credit. Photos will be selected by Agralite employees. Please limit 5 photo submissions per member - 1 winning photo per member.

Submit Your Photos To:
mchevalier@agralite.com

Congratulations 2021 Scholarship Recipients



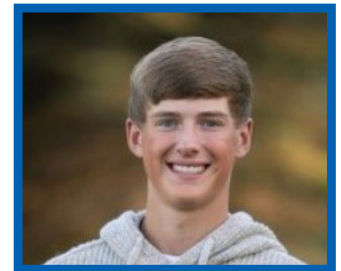
MaKenna Hufford
Morris Area High School
\$2,500



Beth Cain
Benson High School
\$1,000 Basin Award Scholarship



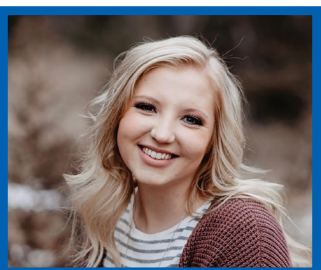
Morgan Schmidt
Benson High School
\$1,000



Riley Reimers
Morris Area High School
\$2,500 Electrician Scholarship



Brynna Olson
Morris Area High School
\$1,000



Aubree Hoover
Benson High School
\$500



Rachel Berens
Benson High School
\$500



Devon Schroeder
Hancock Public School
\$500

Unclaimed Capital Credits

Your Board of Directors authorized the return of approximately \$1.5 million dollars in capital credits to members who purchased electricity during the 1980's, 1995, 1996, and 2013. 1376000

Agralite is trying to return Capital Credits to former members who are no longer at their last address on file with us. If you know someone who is on this list, please take a moment to let them know or to let us know. Past members listed may claim their capital credit refund

Unclaimed Capital Credit List: Last Names Beginning With A-N (*O-Z Will Appear In September's Issue*)

Amberg, Timothy - Powell, WY
Amundson, Albert - Benson, MN
Anderson, Allen - Friday Harbor, WA
Anderson, C W - Topeka, KS
Anderson, Charis - Morris, MN
Anderson Chester - Brooten, MN
Anderson, Darrell - Starbuck, MN
Anderson, David - Odessa, MN
Anderson, Dennis - Custer, SD
Anderson, Edward - Sacramento, CA
Anderson, Gary - Morris, MN
Anderson, Kenneth - Lester Prairie, MN
Anderson, Ludvig - Brooten, MN
Anderson, Manly - Morris, MN
Anderson, Mark - Benson, MN
Anderson, Robert - Murdock, MN
Anderson, Shari - Marietta, MN
Anderson, Silas - Willmar, MN
Anderson, Steven - Watson, MN
Anderson, Thomas - Morris, MN
Anderson, Todd - Morris, MN
Anfinsen, H C - Bloomington, MN
Anfinsen, Richard - Apple Valley, MN
Anhtuan, Hoang - Brooklyn Center, MN
Arndt, Shawn - Clinton, MN
Arneson, Troy - Cologne, MN
Arness, Myrtle - Glenwood, MN
Arreola, Gomezmiguel - Hancock, MN
Asmus, Ordell - Willmar, MN
Aubart Farms - Sedan, MN
Austad, Chris - Alden, MN
Bachand, Kenneth - Morris, MN
Bachand, Sandy - Benson, MN
Bagstad, A D - Willmar, MN
Baier, Jim - Alexandria, MN
Bakeberg, Denise - Holloway, MN
Bakeberg, Dennis - Otsego, MN
Baker, Doug - Glenwood, MN
Bakko, Steven - Sedan, MN
Bangsund, Wallace - Custer, SD
Barney, Barry - Saint Cloud, MN
Barningham, Delbert - Audubon, MN
Barsness, Paul - Spicer, MN
Bast, Gerald - Miltna, MN
Bathke, Gary - Niagara Falls, NY
Bechthold, Wayne - Brooten, MN
Beekman, Merlyn - Brooten, MN
Behl, Michael - Boulder, CO
Behrens, Helmer - Wauwatosa, WI
Belunas, Charles - Murdock, MN
Bennett, Dan - Benson, MN
Best, Mabel - Benson, MN
Beyer, Duane - Hancock, MN
Beyer, Elmer - Morris, MN
Billmark, Gordie - Lowry, MN
Bilodeau, Alice - Starbuck, MN
Blevins, Grozio - Glenwood, MN
Blum, Dale - Pierce, NE
Blum, Raymond - Correll, MN
Boese, Bernard - Fargo, ND
Bohlman, Karla - Appleton, MN
Bohm, Mark - Morris, MN
Boicourt, Robert - Omaha, NE
Bolton, Walter - Milbank, SD
Bontjes, Albert - Clara City, MN
Bouressa, Scott - Morris, MN
Bowers, Bernard - Morton, MN
Braaten, Franklin - Starbuck, MN

Bragg, Patricia - Dekalb, IL
Brandao, Frank - Vernon Center, MN
Bratsch, Roger - Sunburg, MN
Bredberg, Michael - Willmar, MN
Bremer, Norman - Ortonville, MN
Breyer, Allen - Renville, MN
Briks, Jim - Breckenridge, MN
Brinson, Willy - Abilene, TX
Brisbois, Austin - Minneapolis, MN
Brown, Kenton - Sedan, MN
Brown, Megan - Dell Rapids, SD
Brown, Troy - Billings, MT
Brownfield, Cheryl - Willmar, MN
Bryce, Robert - Glenwood, MN
Burns, Benedict - Benson, MN
Buss, Jackie - Starbuck, MN
Cain, Mary - Porter, MN
Caldwell, John - Kerkhoven, MN
Campbell, Joel - Saint Cloud, MN
Carlson, Allan - Morris, MN
Carlson, Bernell - Morris, MN
Carlson, James - Murdock, MN
Carlson, Walter - Morris, MN
Carsten, Renae - Glenwood, MN
Cartwright, Larry - Montevideo, MN
Casper, Richard - Surprise, AZ
Castillo, Henry - Milbank, SD
Chapman, Diane - Revillo, SD
Christensen, Harvey - Lakeville, MN
Christenson, Grace - Milan, MN
Christenson, James - Big Stone City, SD
Christianson, Ralph - Brookings, SD
Cin, Layne - Alberta, MN
Citizens Bank - Morris, MN
Citizens Realty - Morris, MN
Clausen, David - Alexandria, MN
CM ST P&P RR Company - Minneapolis, MN
Cole, David - Willmar, MN
Cole, Jack - Kensington, MN
Collins, Jim - Appleton, MN
Comes, Morrie - Clear Lake, SD
Conrock Material Inc - Morris, MN
Cook, Curt - Benson, MN
Cook, Robert - Morris, MN
Coolbroth, Clayton - Benson, MN
Copa, Vincent - Benson, MN
Correll, Sportsman - Appleton, MN
Cortez, Thomas - Hammond, WI
Couch, Larry - Lancaster, PA
Cowan, Charles - Litchfield, MN
Cramlet, Ray - Saint Paul, MN
Creamer, Raymond - Benson, MN
Cunningham, Rick - Moorhead, MN
Cuomo, Gregory - Cyrus, MN
Custom Floor Covering - Garfield, MN
Cypher, Jeffrey - Truman, MN
Dablow, Ed - Morris, MN
Dahl, Louise - Dawson, MN
Dahl, Sheryle - Morris, MN
Dakota St Bank of Milbank - Big Stone City, SD
Dalva, Orvin - Breckenridge, MN
Damerow, Harvey - Chokio, MN
Damerow, Kenneth - Granite Falls, MN
Damerow, Rhonda - Chokio, MN
Danielson, Dean - Glenwood, MN
Davidson Brothers - Benson, MN
Dawson, Donald - Ortonville, MN
Dean, Robyn - Belgrade, MN

by contacting our office at 320-843-4150. Capital Credits belong to our members and we hope we can return the credits to their owners!

Unsure what to do with capital credit checks received from us or don't want to hassle with them? Donating those funds to Operation Round Up is always an option, where you can help the community that you live in.

Dehne, Pearl - Holloway, MN
Delong, Judi - Kensington, MN
Delong, Roger - Barrett, MN
Denatale, Joseph - Pittsfield, ME
Derflinger, Casey - Custer, SD
Derudder, Louis - Eden Prairie, MN
Devick, Gordon - Donnelly, MN
Devorak, Brian - Alexandria, MN
Dhein, Daryl - Sauk Rapids, MN
Dickson, Arthur - Port Townsend, WA
Didreckson, Tina - Herman, MN
Diederich, Beverly - Cascade, CO
Dinnel, Scott - Ortonville, MN
Ditterich, Duwayne - Chokio, MN
Dobbs, Thomas - Clinton, MN
Doherty, Frank - Lake Crystal, MN
Doll, Matt - Morris, MN
Dornquast, Ellen - Morris, MN
Dornquast Sylvester - Morris, MN
Drake Hunting Club - Minneapolis, MN
Dubois Shawn - Morris, MN
Dumke, Phyllis - North Mankato, MN
Duncan, Stuart - Mankato, MN
Duwenhoeegger, WM - Alberta, MN
Edina Realty - Minneapolis, MN
Edwards, Bradley - San Jose, CA
Ehlen, Jeff - Morris, MN
Ehrenberg, Albert - Hancock, MN
Eichner, Helen - Eden Prairie, MN
Eichten, John - Madison, MN
Elevecroq, Lena - Plymouth, MN
Eliason, Charlene - Ortonville, MN
Eliason, Ruth - Starbuck, MN
Emde, Lester - Appleton, MN
Engbretson, Ellsworth - Morris, MN
Engbretson, Otto - Appleton, MN
Enger, Gary - Hartley, IA
Engstrom, Lucile - St Peter, MN
Erck, Oscar - White Bear Lake, MN
Erickson, Arvid - Granite Falls, MN
Erickson, Dennis - Chokio, MN
Erickson, Phillip - Glenwood, MN
Erickson, Ronald - Montevideo, MN
Eschback, Louis - St. Paul, MN
Espinosa, Francisco - Murdock, MN
Estby, Mayrene - Glenwood, MN
Esther, Forbord - Rochester, MN
Evenson, Even - Bloomington, MN
Evers, Harry - Bloomington, MN
Evink, Kevin - Lake Lillian, MN
Evjen, Dagney - Sedan, MN
Ewert, Elsie - Danvers, MN
Fabian, Jim - Donnelly, MN
Fahl, John - Benson, MN
Farmland Industries Inc - Kansas City, MO
Fawcett, Arlys - Sherman, TX
FDIC - Burnsville, MN
Fed. Land Bank - Alexandria, MN
Federal Land Bank - Willmar, MN
Fehr, Gary - Morris, MN
Fehr's Machinery Inc - Morris, MN
Fennell, Michael - Benson, MN
Fenske, Keith - Chokio, MN
Ferry, Helen - Osseo, MN
Fetterer, Leverne - Appleton, MN
Feuchtenberger, Tim - Rock Rapids, IA
Finberg, Laura - Ormsby, MN
Finberg, Marlow - Snohomish, WA

Findlay, Jean - Lakeville, MN
Finstad, Emil - Burnsville, MN
Finwall, Doris - West St. Paul, MN
First Fed Savings & Loan - Ortonville, MN
Fish, Betsy - Avon, MN
Fitzpatrick, William - Salem, IL
Five T Inc - Carlos, MN
Fjordbak, Sally - Bossier City, LA
Flaten, Inga - Minneapolis, MN
Fontaine, Gayla - Brooten, MN
Fox, Richard - Benson, MN
Fox, Russell - Canon Cy, CO
Frank, Alona - Bloomington, MN
Frank, Tom - Wayzata, MN
Fredrick, Arthur - Kerkhoven, MN
Friedrich, Eleanor - Appleton, MN
Frye, Craig - Richmond, MN
Fuchs, Alice - Morris, MN
Fuhrman, Sandra - Sturgis, SD
Fullington, Cecil - Pacific Junction, IA
Fulton, Brenda - Eden Valley, MN
Fults, Clarence - Hancock, MN
Funny Farms, Inc - Roscoe, NY
Gaasland, Johnnie - Hibbing, MN
Gabrielson, Olaf - Ortonville, MN
Gades, Ronald - Cyrus, MN
Gades, Walter - Appleton, MN
Gallagher, Marlene - Pennock, MN
Garrett, Darlene - Perham, MN
Gensler, Ingred - Benson, MN
Gerber, Ardith - Inver Grove, MN
Gerber, H V - Odessa, MN
Gertz, Darryl - Cottage Grove, MN
Giese, Mark - Holloway, MN
Gilchrist, David - Alexandria, MN
Girard, Justin - Appleton, MN
Glacial Trail Club - Brooten, MN
Glimsdal, Stanley - Benson, MN
Glittre, Palmer - Willmar, MN
Golden, Lloyd - Delray Beach, FL
Goodman, Bradley - Fergus Falls, MN
Goodon, David - Benson, MN
Goodon, Theresa - Benson, MN
Gorder, Roger - Salem, OR
Gosch, Letitia - Council Bluffs, IA
Gramm, Greg - Phoenix, AZ
Grams, Deanna - Olivia, MN
Grant, Dean - Herman, MN
Graton, Donald - Staples, MN
Green, Jeff - Coon Rapids, MN
Greenfield, Robert - Margate, FL
Gregerson, Eveline - Minneapolis, MN
Greiner, John - Morris, MN
Gross, Kevin - Milbank, SD
Grothe, William - Starbuck, MN
Grussing, Harry - Benson, MN
Guerra, Kay - Fergus Falls, MN
Guillemette, Ernest - Ortonville, MN
Gulden, Orville - New London, MN
Gunderson, Marge - Brooten, MN
Gustafson, Linda - Renville, MN
Gustafson, Thomas - Hutchinson, MN
Gutzman, Lorri - Ortonville, MN
Hadler, Wayne - Chokio, MN
Haertel, Roger - Anchorage, AK
Hafstad, Arnold - Glenwood, MN
Hagen, Leonard - Holloway, MN
Hagen, Willard - Odessa, MN

Hagevik, Bruce - Minnetonka, MN
Halverson, Scott - Ortonville, MN
Hamborg, Orlyn - Sunburg, MN
Hamilton, Joanne - Benson, MN
Hamilton, Mark - Willmar, MN
Hankes, Jim - Lake Elmo, MN
Hansen, Lawrence - Morris, MN
Hanson, Ardell - Starbuck, MN
Hanson Brothers - Lake Lillian, MN
Hanson, Charles - Ortonville, MN
Hanson, G L - Winter Haven, FL
Hanson, Gail - Hancock, MN
Hanson, Greg - Saint Cloud, MN
Hanson, Henry - Benson, MN
Hanson, John - Sedan, MN
Harmon, John - Kasson, MN
Harmon, Mark - Denair, CA
Harrier, Daniel - Spicer, MN
Harrison, David - Wadena, MN
Hatlestad, Scott - St. Bonifacius, MN
Hauge, Herbert - Brooten, MN
Hauptman, Linda - Auburn, NE
Haydt, Clark - Appleton, MN
Headley, Joseph - Indialantic, FL
Hegge, Lloyd - Ortonville, MN
Hegge, Steve - Odessa, MN
Heidecker, Gust - Graceville, MN
Heiman, Charles - Council Bluffs, IA
Hein, Richard - Fairmont, MN
Heinks, Henry - Clara City, MN
Hellie, Gretchen - Minneapolis, MN
Henkel, Steven - Pennock, MN
Henneberg, Marvin - Saint Paul, MN
Hennen, Dan - Deer Park, OH
Henning, Douglas - Renville, MN
Henningson, Burton - Glenwood, MN
Henrichs, Emmett - Worthington, MN
Henrichs, Melvin - Donnelly, MN
Hernandez, Jessie - Worthington, MN
Hess Farms - Cokato, MN
Hesse, Myrtle - Hemet, CA
Heuer, Deanna - Donnelly, MN
Hill, Larry - Sioux Falls, SD
Hillman, Clarence - Appleton, MN
Hindman, Vicki - Benson, MN
Hinneberg, Michael - Odessa, MN
Hirschey, David - New Hope, MN
Hoesel, Luther - Alexandria, MN
Hoffman, Dan - Starbuck, MN
Hoffman, James - Belle Plaine, MN
Hoffman, Sue - Derby, KS
Hoffman, Tom - Morris, MN
Holen, Rodney - Bemidji, MN
Holm, Larry - Fergus Falls, MN
Holmquist, Atley - Alexandria, MN
Holstad, Mary - Appleton, MN
Holt, Robert - Glenwood, MN
Holtz, Mark - Park Rapids, MN
Homan, Robert - Alexandria, MN
Homme, Tommy - Nashua, MN
Hookom Kathy - Glenwood, MN
Horton, Agnes - Appleton, MN
Horton, Robert - Warsaw, MO
Houser, Charles - Alexandria, MN
Hovde, Henry - Odessa, MN
Howard, Gina - Benson, MN
Hufford, George - Morris, MN
Hughes, Vince - Appleton, MN
Hunt, Loren - Ortonville, MN
Hunt, Mike - Green Bay, WI
Huselid, Katherine - Clinton, MN
Imdieke, Rolie - Willmar, MN
Itzen, Lowell - Tamarac, FL
Jacobsen, Emil - Rock Valley, IA
Jacobson, Arvid - Minnetonka, MN
Jacobson, Donald - Missoula, MT
Jacobson, Forrest - Sunburg, MN
Jacobson, Gordon - Glenwood, MN
James, Moe - Glenwood, MN
Janecek, James - New Brighton, MN
Jeffers, James - Worthington, MN
Jensen, Clarence - Ortonville, MN

Jensen, Maynard - Council Bluffs, IA
Jergenson Jerri - Morris, MN
Jerpak, Richard - Hedrick, IA
Jessen, Vera - Willmar, MN
Jesseph, Joe - Edina, MN
Johannsen, Valerie - Belgrade, MN
Johanson, Garry - Eagan, MN
Johnson, Brooks - Glenwood, MN
Johnson, Carl - Ortonville, MN
Johnson, Floyd - Willmar, MN
Johnson, Ida - Donnelly, MN
Johnson, Jeff - Morris, MN
Johnson, Leighton - Cresco, IA
Johnson, Lois - Paynesville, MN
Johnson, Mary - Benson, MN
Johnson, Michael - Benson, MN
Johnston, Pamela - Kerkhoven, MN
Joplin, Glenn - Saint Cloud, MN
Jorgensen, Mark - Ortonville, MN
Jorgenson, David - Caselton, ND
Jurgens, Tom - Morris, MN
Julius, Donald - New Ulm, MN
Jurgens, Francis - Ortonville, MN
Jurgens, John Jr - Ortonville, MN
Jurgens, Marylin - Ortonville, MN
Justic, Mark - Eden Prairie, MN
Justice, Frank - Cape Coral, FL
Justice, Harriet - Sioux City, NB
Kahleck, Mike - Raleigh, NC
Kamholz, Tim - Morris, MN
Kanne, Elmond - Brewster, MN
Karels, John - Henning, MN
Kascht, Elizabeth - Bozeman, MT
Kashmark, Donald - Morris, MN
Kay Farms - Minneapolis, MN
Kellenberger, Mark - Hancock, MN
Kellenberger, Richard - Morris, MN
Keller, James - Alberta, MN
Keller, Kevin - Clinton, MN
Kelley, Carl - Golden, CO
Kelly, James - Ortonville, MN
Kelly, Robert - Council Bluff, IA
Kelly, Signe - Minneapolis, MN
Kiedrowski, Gary - Dresser, WI
Kiedrowski, Gary - Dresser, WI
Kiefert, Ned - Benson, MN
Kill, Frank - Morris, MN
Killen, Arnold - Madison, MN
King, Sharon - Willmar, MN
Kinzler, Rick - Brooten, MN
Klaahsen, Tom - Starbuck, MN
Klindt, Victor - Stillwater, MN
Knierim, Mark - Bloomington, MN
Knutson, Carla - Odessa, MN
Knutson, Harlen - Sacred Heart, MN
Knutson, Howard - Granite Falls, MN
Knutson, Irene - Degraff, MN
Knutson, Jerald - Warroad, MN
Knutson, Larry - Sunburg, MN
Knutson, Michael - Benson, MN
Knutson Mortgage Company - Bloomington, MN
Koehl, Chris - Morris, MN
Koehl, Gerald - Rosemount, MN
Koehl, James - Morris, MN
Koerlin, Severt - Glenwood, MN
Kohout, Mary - Hancock, MN
Kolden, Curtis - Barrett, MN
Kolden, Debbie - Morris, MN
Kolling, Clayton - Brownsville, TX
Kolling, Derek - Willmar, MN
Konz, Joseph - Morton, MN
Kordovsky, Daniel - Dwight, ND
Kral, Dennis - Cyrus, MN
Krei, Pat - Starbuck, MN
Krier, Nicholas - Lancaster, CA
Kubitza, Richard - West Concord, MN
Kummrow, Eugene - Morris, MN
Kuperus, Dale - Belgrade, MN
Kvam, Lars - Benson, MN
Kvam, Ray - Aurora, CO
Kvistad, Steven - Crawford, NE

Lachmiller, Dale - Garden City, MN
Ladd, Sade - Glenwood, MN
Lageson, Todd - Crescent, IA
Lagoona Beach Supper Club - Grey Eagle, MN
Lagred, Gary - Benson, MN
Lambert, Donald - Alexandria, MN
Lamkin, Henry - Port Wing, WI
Landwehr, Randy - Roseville, MN
Lange, Karie - Alexandria, MN
Lange, Louis - Slayton, MN
Lange, Richard - Montevideo, MN
Langer, Carol - Grand Rapids, MN
Langerud, Brian - Hawley, MN
Larson, C A - Waite Park, MN
Larson, Donna - Madison, MN
Larson, Gunda - Benson, MN
Larson, Larry - Ortonville, MN
Larson, Michael - Minneapolis, MN
Larson, Randy - St Croix Falls, WI
Lee, Charles - Alberta, MN
Lee, Doug - Grand Forks, ND
Lee, Harris - Dawson, MN
Lee, Wanda - Benson, MN
Leh, Trust - Glenwood, MN
Lemen, James - Bena, MN
Lemire, Brad - Barrett, MN
Lenertz, Sandra - West St. Paul, MN
Leonard, Russell - Elkhorn, NE
Leppanen, Rodney - Swan River, MN
Lesmeister, Leonard - Morris, MN
Lesmeister, Rhonda - Morris, MN
Lester, Leland - Council Bluff, IA
Levan, Jay - Benson, MN
Lewis, Larry - Donnelly, MN
Lewis, Robert - Edina, MN
Lien, Norman - Glenwood, MN
Limon, Tony - Fort Worth, TX
Linde, Lois - Madison, MN
Littin, Chad - Morris, MN
Litzkow, Raymond - Pevely, MO
Loeschke, James - Ortonville, MN
Logan, Gary - Rapid City, SD
Lohtka, Beverly - Appleton, MN
Long Lake Hunting Club - Ankeny IA
Longnecker, Rick - Appleton, MN
Lor-Al Corporation - Benson, MN
Luchardt, Dixie - Sedan, MN
Lund, John - Minneapolis, MN
Lunder, Roger - Murdock, MN
Lunderby, Steven - New Castle, WY
Lundquist, Keith - Cyrus, MN
Luthi, Jordon - Madison, MN
Lye, Elmer - Benson, MN
Lye, Robert - Benson, MN
Mack, Tim - Little Falls, MN
Madison, Ron - Benson, MN
Madsen, Bradley - Alexandria, MN
Mages, Jerome - Clontarf, MN
Mahoney, Tessa - Appleton, MN
Malland, Gary - Watertown, SD
Maness, Darrell - Rogers, MN
Mansen, Raymond - Benson, MN
Markus, Duane - Wayzata, MN
Marquette, John - Maple Lake, MN
Mata, Francisco - Appleton, MN
Mathers, Ed - Pipestone, MN
Mathers, Robert - Sioux Falls, SD
Matzdorf, Christoph - Buffalo Lake, MN
Mau, Anton - Donnelly, MN
May, Mary - Ortonville, MN
Mc Cue Partners - Saint Paul, MN
McGinty, Kevin - Degraff, MN
McKenna, Edward - Minneapolis, MN
McLaughlin, Kim - Marshall, MN
Medalen, Alfred - Sunburg, MN
Melcher, Dennis - Pipestone, MN
Melchert, Randy - Montevideo, MN
Mellon, WM - Ortonville, MN
Melsha, Betty - Glenwood, MN
Mennicke, David - Tucson, AZ
Merklin, Rita - Blue Earth, MN
Messner, Philip - Hancock, MN

Meyer, Darlene - Appleton, MN
Meyer, Deborah - Brooklyn Park, MN
Meyer, Leonard Sr - Appleton, MN
Meyer, Norman - Pine City, MN
Meyer, Paul - Benson, MN
Meyer, Scott - Ortonville, MN
Meyer, Willard - Appleton, MN
Mich, Alphonse - Morris, MN
Mich, Alphonse Jr - Morris, MN
Mich, Elfreada - Donnelly, MN
Mielke-Boyce, Pamalla - Excelsior, MN
Miller, Bruce - Birchwood, WI
Miller, Kenneth - New Hope, MN
Miller, Lee - Benson, MN
Miller, Micahel - Benson, MN
Miller, WM - Ortonville, MN
Minn Educational - Saint Paul, MN
Minnesota Housing & Finance - Willmar, MN
Mitchell, Cindy - Willmar, MN
Mitling, Sally - Bossier City, LA
Mitteness, Edward - Astoria, SD
Mix, Timothy - Burbank, CA
Moe, Rhoda - Spicer, MN
Moen, Michelle - Morris, MN
Molden, Jackie - Benson, MN
Monfort, Pork - Benson, MN
Monnens, Hilda - Twin Brooks, SD
Monson, Mark - West Fargo, ND
Moore, Irma - De Kalb, IL
Moore, Virgil - Anoka, MN
Morsching, Paul - Cottage Grove, MN
Morton, Scott - Alexandria, MN
Morton, Warren - Hancock, MN
Moseng, Brent - Benson, MN
Moze, Kathryn - Starbuck, MN
Mpls Northfield & SO RR - Minneapolis, MN
Muckey, Judy - Wheaton, MN
Mueller, Galen - Fargo, ND
Munson Seed CO - San Diego, CA
Murray, Michelle - Glenwood, MN
Murray, Ruthann - Chokio, MN
Nelsen, Henry - Montevideo, MN
Nelson, Barry - New London, MN
Nelson, Brad - Florence, SD
Nelson, Bryan - Morris, MN
Nelson, Bryce - Montevideo, MN
Nelson, Camilla - Edina, MN
Nelson, Dwayne - Alberta, MN
Nelson, Gail - Sauk Centre, MN
Nelson, Gerald - Burnsville, MN
Nelson, Gerald - Bear Lake, MI
Nelson, Harvey - Bird Island, MN
Nelson, James - Benson, MN
Nelson, Melvin - Starbuck, MN
Nelson, Noble Jr - Clinton, MN
Nelson, Oscar - Benson, MN
Nelson, Robert - Cyrus, MN
Nelson, Thomas - Boyd, MN
Netland, Gregory - Bloomington, MN
Neuman, Scott - Herman, MN
Nicholson, Wayne - Benson, MN
Nieuwboer Fred Jr - Willmar, MN
Ninneman, Cynthia - Ortonville, MN
Ninneman, Michael - Ortonville, MN
Nistler, James - Watkins, MN
Nohl, Alvin Jr - Willmar, MN
Nohl, Orville - Morris, MN
Norbie, Jeffrey - Omak, WA
Norbie, Mark - Willmar, MN
Nord, Bruce - Pomona, CA
Nordby, Deb - Benson, MN
Norman, James - Fergus Falls, MN
Norman, Leslie - Lake Crystal, MN
Northern, Potato Inc - Minneapolis, MN
Norton, Harold - Ortonville, MN
Notch, Cindy - Ortonville, MN
Nygaard, Ronald - Benson, MN
Nyhammer, Bradley - Pine River, MN

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District 3

Steve Nelson, Starbuck

District 4

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District 6

Warren Rau, Appleton

District 7 - Vice President

MINUTES OF MEETING BOARD OF DIRECTORS June 2021

Board Chairman Orvin Gronseth called a meeting of the Board of Directors of Agralite Electric Cooperative to order at 8:30 a.m., June 24, 2021. All members of the Board were present except Director Draeger. The agenda, minutes of the last meeting, the monthly disbursements, and payment of capital credits of deceased members were approved.

Don Wilcox, Agralite's Attorney, joined the meeting.

Don and Kory Johnson discussed correspondence letters with East River.

Jonathan Messner, Manager of Member Services, reported on activities of his department for the month. He discussed load management and demand charges. He gave an update on the ALM project. He discussed the Annual Meeting that was held June 21st. He brought forth two new policies for Electric Vehicle rates and the Board approved them.

Jenny Stryhn, Manager of Finance, discussed Agralite's margins for the month of May. She discussed the capital credit checks that were mailed out and the CFC conference she attended. Jenny brought forth 2020 990 Tax Form and the Board approved it. Jenny brought forth Audit and Tax Proposal from Eide Bailly for years 2021-2023 and the Board approved it.

Jenny brought forth Work Order #511 and Special Equipment May 2021 and the Board approved them.

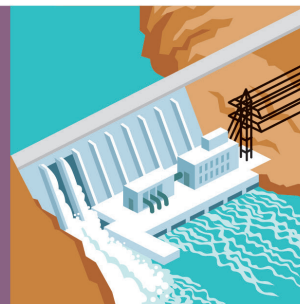
The financials were given by Jenny with a PowerPoint presentation.

HYDROPOWER WORD SCRAMBLE

You know that it's never safe to mix water and electricity. But did you know that large amounts of flowing water can be used to create electricity? It's called hydropower, and it's made from the movement of water.



Read the facts about hydropower below, then unscramble each **bolded** word. Check your work in the answer key.



1. **YROHD** means "water" in Greek.
2. Water flowing down a **EVRRI** is used to spin large turbines that help make the hydroelectricity.
3. When the turbines spin, a large **TROAEGREN** spins, which makes the electricity.
4. The amount of water used to generate hydropower is controlled through use of large **MDAS**.
5. Hydropower is a form of **ELNERAEWB** energy.

ANSWER KEY: 1. HYDRO 2. RIVER 3. GENERATOR 4. DAMS 5. RENEWABLE

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Tom Hoffman, Manager of Engineering & Operations, reported on activities of his department for the month. He discussed line crew projects and recent outages. He showed a picture of a beet piler that was being moved along the system.

Tom gave the safety report.

Director Rau discussed the MREA Board Meeting. 1649600

Kory Johnson, General Manager, reviewed

his report to the board. He discussed meetings he attended. He discussed the GRE Coal Creek Station shut down during the heatwave and the Annual Meeting.

The July board meeting was set for the 29th.

Being no further business came before the Board, the meeting was adjourned.