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## NEMR PROJECTS

The mainline fiber construction is scheduled to begin July 14th in the Spring Lake & Yarrow communities.

Crews have begun boring in the Winigan exchange. Lemons and Pollock exchanges will be next.

NEMR Telecom would like all of these projects to be completed sometime this Fall; however, it always depends on the weather.

Meanwhile, in Green City construction of our new garage/warehouse continues.

# ANNUAL MEETING OF MEMBERS INFORMATION

The 63rd Annual Meeting of the Membership of NEMR Telecom can be viewed "live" on NEMR Telecom's Facebook page on Thursday, July 30th, 2020 at 6:30 p.m. Due to COV-ID-19, there will not be a gathering of members. The Board of Directors will be meeting at the Green City, Missouri office to take action on the following matters:

**Report of Officers and Directors** 

Election of three (3) Directors and such other business as may properly come before the meeting and any adjournment or adjournments thereof. Pursuant to Article IV, Sections 4 and 5 of the NEMR Bylaws, the following members have been nominated for Director by the Nominating Committee: Ron Morlan, District 3/4, Green Castle Shane Bradshaw, District 1/8, Livonia Scott Aylward, District 9, Memphis NEMR will be drawing for the CASH

PRIZES on Facebook "live" Wednesday, July 29th. Join us to see if your name is drawn.

#### NEMR Telecom's **MEMBER VOTING**

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Through

Member ID located on



#### **HOW TO CAST YOUR MEMBER VOTE:**

Check your email from NEMR

- Click on your personalized link
- Enter Member ID & Zip Code

#### **OTHER WAYS TO VOTE:**



- Cast your vote by entering the following link into your address bar: https://www.directvote.net/NEMR/
- Call 660-874-4111 M-F 8 a.m.- 4:30 p.m. Our customer service representatives are here to help!



## WHAT IS A **COOPERATIVE**

A cooperative is an organization owned and controlled by the people who use the products or services the business produces. Cooperatives differ from other forms of businesses because they operate more for the benefit of members, rather than to earn profits for investors. NEMR Telecom is a cooperative owned by those we serve. From all of us at NEMR, thank you for your membership!

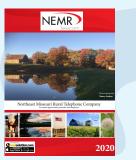
# **5TH ANNUAL DIRECTORY PHOTO CONTEST**

Get your scenic photo on the cover of our 2021 NEMR Telephone Directory.

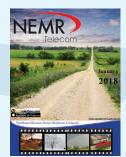
To enter: Email a photo to *contest*(a)nemr.net (One entry per customer)

- 1. The Photo must be an original, taken by a **NEMR Telecom Customer** and becomes the property of NEMR Telecom.
- 2. Please do not send photos of people. We are looking for scenes from all seasons.
- 3. NEMR Telecom employees will judge the photo that best captures a scene in our local service area. 4. Photos must be submitted via email in a jpeg form, at least 5 Megapixels or 400-500 dpi.

The following are some of the past years winners. Thanks so much for participating in this annual contest! Northeast Missouri is a beautiful place to live!









# THE BUZZZZZ



Given the pandemic, this year's 4th of July will celebrate more than the signing of the Declaration of Independence in 1776. It will also celebrate our nation's determination, resilience, and courage as we work together to battle COVID-19 – led by the stars known as health care workers and medical researchers.

NEMR Telecom wishes you a wonderful holiday weekend with family and friends. **Our office** will be closed Friday, July 3.



#### DIRECTOR RETIRING

Hubert Pfeiffer, District 4, is retiring af-



ter 34 years of service. Hubert has seen many changes in the telecommunications industry during his tenure. With his retirement, the board of directors' size will decrease to 9 and District 4 will be split between Dis-

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trict 3 and 6. Thank you Hubert for your contribution in making NEMR Telecom the great cooperative it is today!

#### UPDATE YOUR EMAIL

Due to online voting for this year's Annual Meeting of Members, we need your current email address. Please send NEMR a message from your email to **helpmail@nemr.net** 

#### ANNUAL MEETING FAQ'S

1. **Do I have to attend?** While attendance is not mandatory, we encourage you as a member-owner to participate by watching this year's meeting on Facebook. The directors elected to serve on the cooperative's board of directors represent the interests of the members and are responsible for setting major policies and working with the cooperative's management to develop policies and plans for the cooperative.

2. Can I vote by proxy? Not this year. We are sending emails to vote online or to call the office for assistance.

3. I am married. Do we get one vote or two? A married couple is allowed only one vote even if they have more than one service.

4. I am married and only my name appears on the membership. If I can't vote, can my spouse cast our vote? No, only the name that appears on the membership can vote. Call the business office if you want to change the names(s) that appear on the membership.

5. I own a business and a home, how many votes do I get? Only one vote per person. If your business is a corporation, then you will have 2 votes.

6. **Do I need an active account to vote?** Yes, you must have an active membership to vote.

7. A group of us own a hunting cabin and the account is not in my name. Can I vote? No, the membership has to be in your name.

8. Why does the co-op not charge lower rates instead of retaining Capital Credits? The Board of Directors have a fiscal responsibility to maintain the financial integrity of the cooperative in a way that provides competitive rates and allows the return of Capital Credits to members. Having a sound equity management plan and a commitment to serving the members are both key to achieving this.





Michele Gillespie, CEO Board of Directors Rick Kent Ron Morlan Hubert Pfeiffer Jim Kigar Mark Grgurich Dennis Fechtling Shane Bradshaw Scott Aylward Kenneth Hauk, Jr. Junior Bertram

#### New Directory Listings

Garman, Rodney	328-6248
Baughman, Brandon	344-2230
Brunk, Gerald & Susan	465-2096
Erickson, Georgia	465-2112
Warring, Lisa & Chris	857-4316
Fuller, Jardin & Brandi	945-3800
McGuire, Justin & Tisa	947-2331
Duley, John	947-4083
Brown, Christofer	947-7702

