



MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT/CEO

RYAN BARTLETT

# Ownership Matters for Community

WHEN WE OWN something, we tend to treat it with greater care. Whether it's your home, car or other valuable belonging, knowing that you worked hard for something makes it all the more valuable. It's not just the physical good; it's a sense of pride.

Chances are you probably don't think too often about your ownership role with your electric co-op. But every member of Taylor Electric Cooperative can take pride in being an owner of the utility.

While it may seem easy to take the supply of electricity for granted, we work 24 hours a day, 365 days a year to make sure you, our member-owners, are well taken care of when it comes to your electricity needs.

Locally based cooperatives believe this special bond and obligation play an integral role in creating community. Taylor EC understands that you can't sell electricity to a business that has closed its doors or to people who have left the area because there aren't enough local opportunities.

Electricity is a critical need, but it takes more than just poles, wires and kilowatt-hours to make a community.

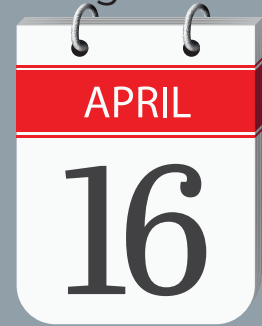


That sense of ownership brings care and attention into our community, creating local solutions that help keep money—and people—right here.

We all have a role to play. As your local electric cooperative, we're committed to do our part for the community. You own the co-op, and we welcome your active participation.

## SAVE THE DATE

Taylor Electric Cooperative's 87th Annual Meeting



THURSDAY  
APRIL 16, 2026

## Notice of Deadline for a Place on the Election Ballot

NOTICE IS HEREBY given that applications for a place on the Board of Directors for Taylor Electric Cooperative, Inc., regular election ballot may be filed during the following time:

### FILING DATES AND TIMES

START DATE:  
JANUARY 2, 2026

END DATE:  
FEBRUARY 2, 2026,  
AT 5:30 P.M.



## Notice of Rate Change

Official Notice of rate change was posted to the Taylor Electric website at [WWW.TAYLORELECTRIC.COM](http://WWW.TAYLORELECTRIC.COM) on October 31, 2025.

Dear Members,

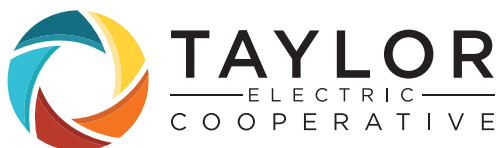
At Taylor Electric Cooperative, we remain committed to delivering reliable, high-quality electric service at rates that are both competitive and affordable. The Cooperative continues to work diligently to manage rising costs while upholding the service standards our members expect and deserve.

To support our ongoing strategy of limiting rate increases, the Cooperative will implement a modest adjustment to help offset rising service costs. For residential members, this will result in a monthly bill increase of \$2.50, effective January 1, 2026.

We understand that any rate adjustment affects our members, and this change has been carefully evaluated to keep the impact as minimal as possible. It reflects a measured approach to addressing rising costs while continuing to operate responsibly on behalf of our membership.

Thank you for your understanding and continued trust. Should you have any questions or concerns regarding this rate adjustment, please do not hesitate to call your Cooperative's Member Service team at 325-793-8500 or text 325-399-3250.

Sincerely,  
Taylor Electric Cooperative



## Taylor Electric Cooperative

A Touchstone Energy® Cooperative 

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Ryan Bartlett

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Kathryn Rainey, Board Vice Chairman, Zone 3

David McFall, Secretary-Treasurer, Zone 2

Craig Bessent, Zone 1

Garland Carter, Zone 2

Richard Petree, At-Large

Gay Simmons, Zone 3

**24/7**

**Outage  
Hotline**

For information and to report outages, please call us.

**LOCAL**

(325) 793-8500

### HANDY WAYS TO PAY YOUR BILL

#### ONLINE

[taylorelectric.com](http://taylorelectric.com)

#### TAYLOR ELECTRIC APP

Available on your Apple or Android device.

#### BY PHONE

(325) 793-8500. Payments credited immediately.

#### IN PERSON

**Hours** Monday–Friday, 7:30 a.m.–5:30 p.m.

**Merkel** 226 CR 287, Merkel 79536

**Abilene** 7966 Highway 83, Abilene 79602

Payments credited immediately.

#### DROP BOX

**Merkel** office near the entrance of the building.

**Abilene** office next to the first door on the left.

Payments credited next business day.

#### NOTICE

Effective June 1, 2024, all credit/debit card transactions will be assessed a 2.45% convenience fee.

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