



# HILL COUNTY ELECTRIC NEWS & VIEWS

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## CEO Message

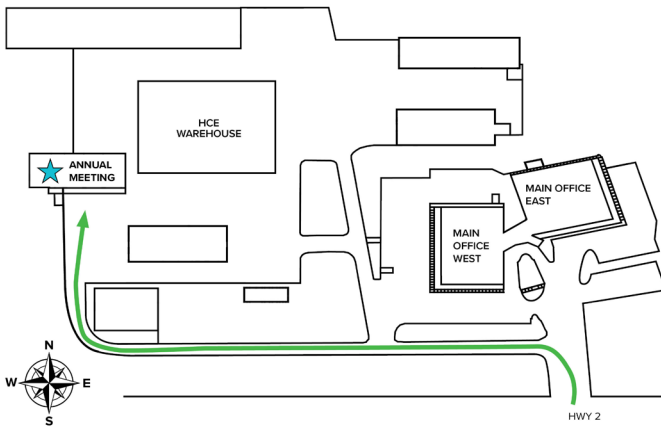
Join us for our 80th Annual Meeting on May 10, 2025 at Hill County Electric!



Craig Gates  
General Manager/CEO

Hill County Electric (HCE) is pleased to invite you to join us for a special Annual Meeting. This event marks an important milestone for our organization as HCE was founded 80 years ago! We will take time at this meeting to reflect

on the achievements of the past year and the 79 that came before it as well as looking ahead to the future.



*HCE Campus Map*

The Annual Meeting will be held on May 10, 2025. Registration begins at 9:00 AM and the Business Meeting begins at 10:00 AM. This year's Annual Meeting will have a NEW location. HCE is proud to invite everyone to our headquarters located at 2121 US Hwy 2 NW for the Annual Meeting. Follow the signage as you enter HCE to the building that we will be hosting the Annual Meeting in. As in the past, drivers will be available to take you to the main door.

The meeting will include a message from our Board President, Board Secretary, other board trustees, the CFO, Mark Majeres and myself, Craig Gates, CEO. Mr. Majeres will highlight the financials of the Cooperative and I will cover some key achievements of the company in the past year and discuss the current state of the industry. While you are at the meeting, you will have the opportunity to speak to various departments if you have any questions.

Attending the Annual Meeting not only allows you to learn more about your electric cooperative and its operations but also allows you to enjoy a meal with your fellow members and hopefully win a prize.

The entire team and I cordially invite you to attend the Annual Meeting. We hope to see you there!

## SAVE THE DATE!

### Hill County Electric's 80<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of Members

May 10<sup>th</sup>, 2025 | HCE Campus  
Registration at 9am • Business Meeting at 10am



### NEW LOCATION THIS YEAR!

The Annual Meeting will be on the HCE Campus.  
2121 US Hwy 2 in Havre

HILL COUNTY ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE 

### RATE INCREASE DATES

Effective 4/1 there will be an irrigation rate increase of 7% per kWh.

The rate increase will go into effect for residential rates on 6/1.

This decision was not made lightly by our Board of Trustees. We will continue to keep our cooperative cost as low as possible and will work to mitigate our raising cost of generated energy.

See our website for more details and FAQs on this decision.

## Lineman Appreciation Day - April 11, 2025





## Connecting with Our Community: Game Nights with HCE

We recently teamed up with local high schools to attend four basketball games featuring our member schools. Our employees had the opportunity to connect with over **1,200 members** and their families, answering questions, sharing information, and most importantly, expressing our gratitude for their trust in HCE.

These events are a great way for us to meet the people we serve, hear your thoughts, and show our appreciation for your support.

*Check out some of our lucky stadium chair winners below!*



# Swap and Shop

Welcome to our Swap and Shop! Feel free to post and find classifieds from other members! Ads submitted online are usually added within 2 to 3 business days.

Due to print deadlines and space available, some ads may appear in the next month's magazine.

*\*Denotes photo available on website*

### Cattle Stock Trailer

48 ft. (older but in good shape) asking \$10,000.00 – Call 406-301-4035.

### Whole or Half Pork 2025 Processed

Processed at Pay-N-Save in Saco, MT with pick up in Havre, MT Processing is September 2025 with limited quantities available. Whole price: \$450\* Half: \$250\* Processing is an additional fee. Any and all questions welcomed. Twyla Knudson on Facebook Marketplace or email [noneckfarms@gmail.com](mailto:noneckfarms@gmail.com). Please call or text 406.230.2281.

### Metal Roofing

18 sheets of 29 gauge Tuff Rib-9'1" long and 36" wide. Color burnished slate. Asking \$600.00. Call 406.265.6974.

### Complete Stained Glass Crafting System for Sale

Includes grinder, foiler, scoring machine, cutting pad and many tools. Also glass. Call for details, asking \$200.00. Call 406.547.2184.

### Wilray Flat Bed Trailer\*

Wilray Flat Bed Trailer, \$2,400.00, Deck size 81"x10'. Torsion bar, 3500 lbs. axle. Extra cross stringers, 2011 model. Spare tire included. Call 406.437.1187.

### Toro Snowblower

Very nice 21-inch, electric start Toro Snowblower, like new, asking \$375, call 406.378.3226.

### 2015 F250 Platinum Crew Cab Diesel \*

2015 F250 Platinum Crew Cab Diesel, black, 111,000 miles. Asking \$36,900, call 406.945.2180.

### Wanted to Buy

8-12' triple k. Three point or hitch. Call 406.759.5670.

### Livestock Guardian Pups\*

Anatolian Shepherd/Karakachan. Guard goats, sheep, chickens, cows and kittens. Call or text 931-0225 or email [Hoofnpawsworkingstock@gmail.com](mailto:Hoofnpawsworkingstock@gmail.com).

### Makita Cordless Weed Trimmer

Brand new Makita cordless weed trimmer, includes 2 batteries, charger, goggles, cinch sack. Asking \$395. Call 406.374.2406.

### Wanted 1955 to 1959 Chevy or GMC Pickup or Parts

Call 406.326.2287.

### Original Can Filter

1 original can filter, 12"diameter, 13" tall. Asking \$100, call 406.547.2184.

### Hydrofarm Grow Light Fixtures

\$20 each or 4 for \$60. Call 406.547.2184.

### 1993 Safari Motorhome For Sale

3430 Cummins, 8.3 turbo-charged, intercooled. Allison World transmission with 6 speed and 2 overdrive gears. Well kept records, 98,600 miles. Asking \$15,000. Call 406.547.2184.

### Two Flexicoil Sprayers

S67 XL models, 120 ft booms, 1 in good shape and one use for parts. Monitor included. Asking \$4,300.00. Call 406.262.4466.

### Leader Accessories Brand Travel Trailer (camper) cover

Fits 24 to 27 foot camper. Made of 100% polypropylene. Used, but in excellent condition. Call 406.357.2891.

### LGD Pups For Sale

Two females left, out of great working mother. She is Ackbash/Komondor. Sire is Ackbash/pyrenees/Anatolian. Born July 4, 2024. Ready to go, right with flock. Asking \$450. Near Moore, MT Call 406.374.2406.

### 1984 Rare Cultivator

Rare 60 ft Cultivator, Morris. Model CP-760 Magnum. Harrows included. Asking \$7,500.00. Call 406-262-4466.

### Boat, Motor, Trailer and Motorcycles For Sale

15 ft. boat, motor & trailer  
2004 Harley Davidson Fat Boy (5000 actual miles)  
2013 Harley Davidson v-Rod  
2012 Suzuki V-Strom (5000 actual miles)  
Call 406.399.4949

### Craftsman 2 stage snowblower with tire chains

Craftsman 28-inch electric start, 2 stage snowblower with tire chains. Asking \$500 obo, call 406.395.4581.

### Tubular Aluminum Table

Tubular aluminum inversion table, lightly used. Asking \$50. Call 406.395.4581.

### Wheat Straw Bales

Small square wheat bales, out of conventional combine. \$5.00 per bale, located just a few miles north of Havre, MT. Limited quantities available. Please call or text 406.230.2281, email: [noneckfarms@gmail.com](mailto:noneckfarms@gmail.com) or on Facebook at Twyla Knudson.

### Trailer Needed

Trailer needed for hired men. Call 406.930.2276.

Swap & Shop is a classified advertising section of the Triangle Communications and Hill County Electric websites and newsletters. It is maintained as a service to customers and communities wanting to buy, sell and announce non-commercial items. To have an ad included, simply enter all the pertinent information on the online form. An administrator will review the information within two business days and if approved, the ad will then appear. It will stay online for 60 days unless you notify us to remove or change it. It will also appear in any of the newsletters printed during that 60 day window. Triangle reserves the right to abbreviate ads and if the section is full, we will display ads on a first come, first-served basis. If you're unable to enter your ad online you may mail or e-mail it to us using the contact info inside the front cover of this magazine. Happy swapping and shopping.