# Lakeland REA

**April 2020** 



## Newsletter

## **Special General Meeting: Results**

Lakeland REA would like to thank our membership for attending the Polling Stations and voting on the future of Lakeland REA.

Lakeland REA Board, Management & Staff remain committed to the continuation of providing excellent service to our members.

	Total	Yes	No	Spoiled
Advance Polling—Feb 19, 2020	114	58	56	0
Advance Polling—Feb 26, 2020	109	50	59	0
Smoky Lake—March 9, 2020	263	206	56	1
Derwent—March 10, 2020	62	29	33	0
Mundare—March 11, 2020	199	134	65	0
Vegreville—March 12, 2020	208	73	135	0
Total Ballots	955	550	404	
Percentage		58%	42%	

A 66% majority sales vote is required to sell the REA and since this was <u>not</u> achieved the REA will remain as is. To clarify, the actual percentage required at a Special General Meeting to pass an extraordinary resolution, such as a vote to sell, please note the definition by the Rural Utilities Act.

#### Excerpt from Rural Utilities Act 1(d)

"extraordinary resolution" means a resolution passed by majority of not less than 2/3 of votes cast at a general meeting of which not less than 15 days' written notice specifying the intention to propose the resolution as an extraordinary resolution has been given.

#### **Public Announcement**

Lakeland REA Office will be closed to the public until further notice to reduce the risk of exposure and spread of the COVID-19 virus so our staff remains healthy to continue to provide your essential service.

The Staff Members are continuing work as usual and are happy to answer any questions you may have.

### **Office Details**

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Office Hours:

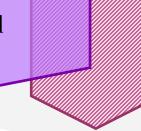
Monday to Thursday 9 a.m.— 3 p.m.
Friday & All Statutory Holidays Closed
(All after-hours calls
go to our call centre.)

Office Closed:
April 10 - Good Friday
April 13 - Easter Monday



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### 90-Day Utility Deferral Program

On March 18, the Government of Alberta announced the 90-day Utility Deferral Program which will run through to June 18, 2020. This program is designed to provide temporary financial relief, and members will still have to pay for their deferred utilities within a reasonable time period.

This program is available to members who are experiencing financial hardship as a direct result of COVID-19; for example, those who have lost their employment or had to leave work to take care of an ill family member.

Lakeland REA is committed to assisting it's members through these unprecedented and difficult times.

We are in the process of finalizing the logistics of the deferral program. If you have any questions on this program, please give our office a call.

## **Employment Opportunity**

#### Full-time Administrative Support Officer – Maternity Leave Coverage

This is a temporary, full-time position, for a maternity leave replacement (8 months minimum with possibility of extension to 12 months).

The successful candidate will have office experience in accounting (Receivables, Payables and Payroll). A strong proficiency in Microsoft Office and Simply Accounting is required. Experience in or a strong ability to learn an electrical utility billing system or background in a utility environment would be a strong asset.

The qualities of the successful candidate include:

- Excellent organizational skills
- Strong telephone and interpersonal skills
- Strong time management skills
- Demonstrated commitment and understanding of customer service excellence
- Must be able to complete work assignments with accuracy and efficiency
- Show good teamwork skills
- Ability to act independently, and use good judgement
- Demonstrated ability to deal with difficult situations

Lakeland REA offers a competitive starting wage based on experience and employee benefits.

Interested candidates can submit their resume in confidence to:

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Only candidates selected for an interview will be contacted.