

APRIL 2026

# Illinois Country Living



**2026 Annual Meeting  
Monday, April 13**

**Janesville Conference Center • Janesville, WI**

## 2025 ANNUAL REPORT



**90<sup>th</sup>**  
1936 - 2026  
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# NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING

**Rock Energy Cooperative**

**April 13, 2026 • 5:30 p.m.**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the annual meeting of Rock Energy Cooperative will be held at the Janesville Conference Center, Janesville, Wisconsin, on Monday, the 13th day of April, 2026, at 5:30 p.m. for the purpose of transacting whatever business may lawfully come before it.

The order of business pursuant to the Bylaws shall be as follows:

1. Call to Order. Quorum Determination
2. Reading of Notice of Meeting
3. Approval of Minutes of Previous Annual Meeting
4. Reports of Officers, Directors, and Committees
5. Election of Directors
6. Action on Proposed Bylaws Amendment (see accompanying information on back cover)
6. Unfinished Business
7. New Business
8. Adjournment

Dated this 31st day of March, 2026.

*Marian Trescher, Secretary, Rock Energy Cooperative*

## **90th ANNUAL MEETING PROGRAM**

**Doors Open..... 4:30 p.m.**

**Annual Meeting..... 5:30 p.m.**

- Including Scholarship Presentation

**Dinner..... 6:30 p.m.**

## **DINNER MENU**

- Chicken Vesuvio (bone-in) with Garlic, Herb & Wine Reduction
  - Tossed Garden Salad
  - Dinner Breads & Butter
  - Garlic Mashed Potatoes
    - Green Beans
    - Dessert
    - Water & Tea

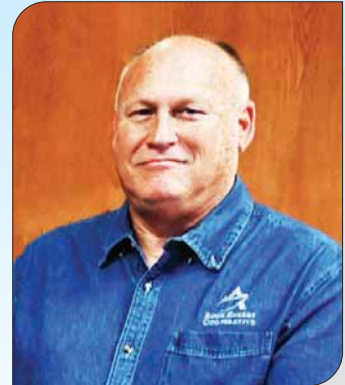
# MEET YOUR DIRECTOR CANDIDATES

## DISTRICT 7 Newark and Plymouth Townships (WI)

Derik Roth, the incumbent director for District 7, was elected to the Rock Energy Cooperative Board of Directors in April of 2023. During his first term, he completed five courses relating to finances, board operations, director duties & liabilities, strategic planning, and current governance issues.

Roth said that during the past three years as a director he always considered what is best for the members of this co-op. "While the energy industry will be looking to a future of change," Roth said, "I believe we must continue to strive to provide reliable and excellent service and reasonable rates for the membership."

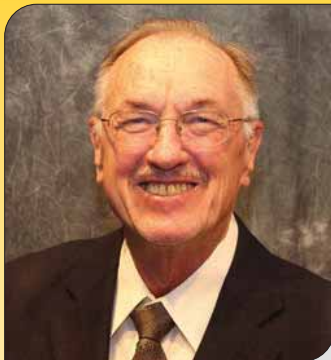
**"I am thankful to the Rock Energy members for allowing me to serve as a director, and would feel privileged to represent you for another three years. I will continue to devote time educating myself on the current topics. Good decisions made today will bring great rewards for the co-op tomorrow. Thank you for your support."**



DERIK ROTH

## DISTRICT 8

Avon, Spring Grove, Spring Valley Townships (WI) /  
Durand, Laona, Rock Grove, Rock Run, Shirland Townships (IL)



RON RICHARDS

Ronald Richards (incumbent director) lives in Davis, IL, with his wife, Diana. He has been a Rock Energy Cooperative member since 2007, has served as a director on the board since 2011, and is currently the board treasurer.

Richards is a retired accountant with more than 40 years of business experience, about 20 years in the not-for-profit sector and the balance in manufacturing. He served nine years in the Indiana Army National Guard as company commander. He is an active member of Faith Community Church in Davis.

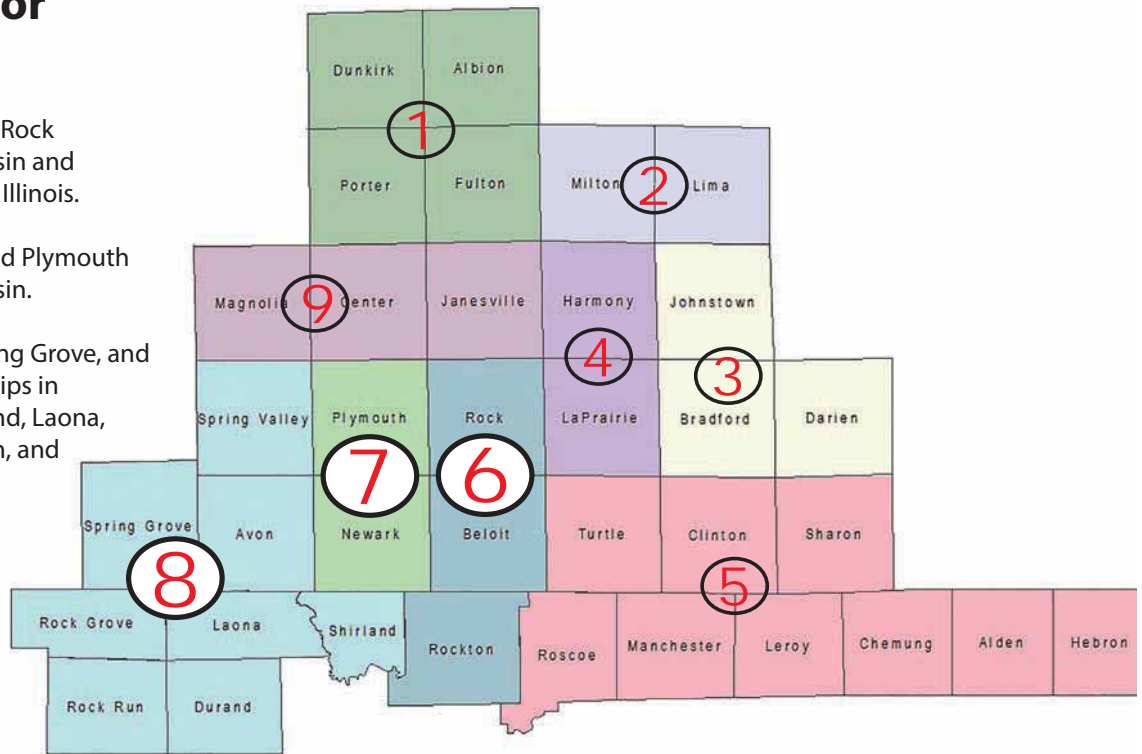
During his fifteen years of service, Richards has completed the necessary National Rural Electric Cooperative Association training to receive the Cooperative Director Certificate, Board Leadership Credentials and Director Gold Program Certificate. In addition, he has served on the Scholarship, Legislative, and Purchasing Committees.

**"I believe that as your representative on the board and with my background in business and accounting, I can continue to assist in guiding Rock Energy into the future with strength and integrity, and provide quality service to our members. I would appreciate the opportunity to continue to serve as your representative from District 8."**

## DISTRICT 6 (OPEN) - Beloit and Rock townships WI / Rockton Township IL

## Districts up for election are:

- **District 6:** Beloit and Rock Townships in Wisconsin and Rockton Township in Illinois.
- **District 7:** Newark and Plymouth Townships in Wisconsin.
- **District 8:** Avon, Spring Grove, and Spring Valley Townships in Wisconsin; and Durand, Laona, Rock Grove, Rock Run, and Shirland Townships in Illinois.



## 2026 PROPOSED CHANGE TO BYLAWS OF ROCK ENERGY COOPERATIVE

### Article III. Directors:

**Section 1.** “The Directors of the Cooperative shall apportion the geographical area served by the Cooperative into no less than seven (7) and no more than nine (9) districts, and one (1) director shall be elected by the entire membership of the Cooperative to represent the members residing in that district in connection with matters brought before the Board of Directors. The directors shall examine the number, apportionment and boundaries of director districts from time to time to assure continued representation of the membership based on the aforementioned criteria. Each district shall have only one (1) director.”

**Section 3.** “The terms shall be staggered so that at least two ~~three (3)~~ directors’ terms shall expire at each annual meeting. Except as otherwise provided herein, ~~t~~he election of the directors shall be by ballot and each voting member shall be entitled to cast one (1) vote for each a director candidate from each district with a seat open for election ~~to be elected from each expiring district~~. The candidate for each district receiving the highest number of votes cast shall be declared elected. In the event there is only one nominee who is qualified and willing to run for election from a district, election for that position may be by unanimous consent, voice vote, or similar means without the need to cast written ballots.”

**Section 4.** “Director Nominations and Qualifications: The chairman shall appoint a nominating committee from the respective director districts who are scheduled for election for each annual meeting to prepare a slate of candidates from each expiring district with a seat open for election.”

### Article IV. Meeting of Directors (Section 1) Regular Meetings:

“A regular meeting of the Board of Directors shall be held monthly, not more than twelve (12) times per calendar year and not less than nine (9) times per calendar year; at such intervals, time and place as the Board may determine. ~~provide by resolution.~~ Such regular monthly meetings s may be held without notice other than such ~~resolution~~ board decision fixing the time and place thereof.”

*(Updated language in bylaws is indicated in red and underlined. Removed language is crossed out.)*