# Lake Country Power 2024 Official Director Ballot District 1 – Three Year Term

Please vote for only one candidate. Make no other identifying marks on the ballot. Other marks made on the ballot may disqualify the vote.

David Cicmil Jason Long\*

\* Denotes current LCP Director

# **Voting Instructions**

Do not mail your ballot if you plan to vote online or through SmartHub. Do not vote online if you plan to vote by mail.

# **Voting by Online**

- Go to **www.directvote.net/LCP/** to access the login page of the official 2024 Lake Country Power election. To the left is your Member Number and your Election Passcode. Use both numbers to log in. Once registered, follow the online voting instructions.
- Online voting begins April 10, 2024 at 8:00 a.m. Central, and ends April 25, 2024 at 11:00 a.m. Central. If you have any problems voting online, email support@directvote.net

# **Voting via SmartHub**

- Access your online ballot by logging into your SmartHub account at <u>www.lakecountrypower.coop</u>. If you're not registered for SmartHub, setting up an account is easy.
- Enter your email address and SmartHub password to log in, then click the "Vote Now" button.
- You can also access the ballot and "Vote Now" button through the SmartHub mobile app on your device. The app needs to be downloaded on your device, first.
- Online voting begins April 10, 2024 at 8:00 a.m. Central, and ends April 25, 2024 at 11:00 a.m. Central.

#### Voting By Mail or In Person

- You may vote for the director candidate on this official ballot by filling in the circle of your choice using a dark ink pen or No. 2 pencil. Place in ballot envelope, then seal. Place the sealed ballot envelope in the postage paid, addressed envelope. Place in U.S. mail
- Mail-in ballots must be received in P.O. Box 46430, Eden Prairie, MN 55344 on or before 11:00 a.m., April 25, 2024, to be accepted and counted as the vote of the member.
- You may cast your vote in person at the annual meeting on April 25 until the official close of balloting. You will need this ballot, ballot envelope and business reply envelope.
- Only one (1) copy of this ballot may be enclosed in the return envelope. A joint

membership has one (1) vote.

Paper ballots returned to Survey & Ballot Systems must be received no later than April 25, 2024.

Replacement for spoiled ballots can be obtained by calling Survey & Ballot Systems at 952-974-2339.

Ballot questions can be addressed to Tami Zaun, Public Relations Coordinator at 1-800-421-9959.

# **Director Candidates**

The following members have completed the necessary qualification questionnaire and submitted a timely petition signed by 15 Lake Country Power members to be considered a candidate for director of Lake Country Power.

#### **David Cicmil**

Hello members of Lake Country Power district one cooperative.

I would like to introduce myself as a candidate for district one director. I am David Cicmil. I live in the Togo area of Carpenter Township. I am a retired resident here and originally from Hibbing. I served on the Hibbing Board of Education for 9 years and built my career in industrial sales and construction management. I moved back from Montana to be with family and while there I lived off grid for 2.5 years. It was an educating experience and one that I feel would benefit co-op members as we move into the directive of green energy. I know this may seem counterproductive to the service our co-op provides. But energy companies are being forced to meet these demands. Ultimately these costs will be passed along to the end user, which is us. Most of us have additional family that are also members. Siblings and parents that will find it difficult to make ends meet. My hope is to open discussions that provide sustainable energy to benefit the co-op.

# **Jason Long**

My name is Jason Long, and it is my honor and privilege to represent the members of Lake Country Power District 1 for the past 7 years and I am asking for your support again for re-election to the board. Residing here as a lifelong resident in District 1 as well as a small business owner allows me to better understand your needs and carry your voice to the boardroom. As I live, work, and play here, my strive for reliable and affordable electricity is unmatched. Keeping the lights on and the bills low while maneuvering through legislative and environmental matters is my priority. Serving the past 7 years on the board at LCP has given me the experience needed as well as continuing education through NRECA and certified as a credentialed cooperative director to better serve you, the member owner, and deliver a commonsense approach through leadership. I thank you so very much for this opportunity. I am available anytime for your questions, concerns, or any other co-op related issue.

Sincerely, Jason Long