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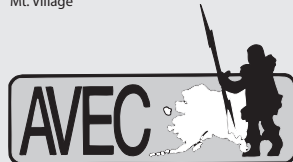
Robert L. Beans Sr.,
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Communities Served

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| Alakanuk | New Stuyahok |
| Ambler | Nightmute |
| Andreafsky | Noatak |
| Anvik | Noorvik |
| Brevig Mission | Nulato |
| Chevak | Nunapitchuk |
| Eek | Old Harbor |
| Ekwok | Pilot Station |
| Elim | Pitkas Point |
| Emmonak | Quinhagak |
| Gambell | Russian Mission |
| Goodnews Bay | St. Mary's |
| Grayling | St. Michael |
| Holy Cross | Savoonga |
| Hooper Bay | Scammon Bay |
| Huslia | Selawik |
| Kaltag | Shageluk |
| Kasigluk | Shaktoolik |
| Kiana | Shishmaref |
| Kivalina | Shungnak |
| Kobuk | Stebbins |
| Kotlik | Teller |
| Koyuk | Togiak |
| Lower Kalskag | Toksook Bay |
| Marshall | Tununak |
| Mekoryuk | Upper Kalskag |
| Minto | Wales |
| Mt. Village | |



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Highlights from the 44th AVEC Annual Meeting

The 2013 Annual Meeting was well attended, with 71 of 78 possible delegates registering at the Coast International hotel in Anchorage. Almost one-third of the delegates were first-time attendees and a new delegate orientation session was held for them at AVEC headquarters. Delegates were given an overview of the AVEC board, operating system, the departments and how they function and the role of the delegate.

At a lively all day meeting April 10, numerous questions and suggestions for improvements were raised by the delegates. Written responses to issues raised at village meetings were provided to each delegate, and AVEC staff provided answers to other questions presented on the floor. The most frequently asked questions concerned:

- Streetlights—relocations of existing lights and how to get additional lights.
- Local electricians—to assist with electrical needs of homeowners.
- Leaning poles—need to re-guy poles affected by winter freeze/thaw cycles.
- Abandoned underground wiring exposed by erosion and ground conditions.
- Converting memberships so Elders and others can be represented at village meetings.
- Support for continuation of Power Cost Equalization.
- Support for renewable and alternative energy projects to reduce the cost of energy.

Delegates received written responses to their questions and others raised at the meeting. Those responses will be included in future articles in Ruralite magazine.

The delegates re-elected Walter Sampson from Noorvik and Fred Sagoonick from Shaktoolik to three-year terms on the board. In the organizational meeting after the conclusion of the annual meeting, the board elected officers for the following year. Charlie Curtis will serve as chairman, Walter Sampson as vice chairman, Phyllis Clough as secretary and Helena Jones as treasurer.

Thank you for taking an active role in the operation of your electric cooperative and thank you for allowing us to serve you. All of us at AVEC are truly dedicated to doing the very best we can in service to our communities!

Until next time,

Meera Kohler
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