

# OEC Current

## FINAL OFFICIAL NOTICE AND INVITATION

We have had a recent upswing in the number of COVID-19 cases in the area so the Meeting Agenda has been changed. The Cooperative's 77th Annual Meeting will still be held in person, Wednesday, August 18, 2021 at Milford Central School located at 42 West Main St, Milford, NY 13807. Registration will open from 5:00 PM to 5:30 PM with a brief Business Meeting to begin promptly after registration. Votes for the open seats for the Board of Directors will be taken at the Registration Desk.

We will hold a very brief Business Meeting at 5:30 PM and prizes will be drawn among registered members after the meeting closes. We will notify you if you won something. We will also not be having music in the Auditorium before the meeting.

**If you are planning on coming but you have not been vaccinated, you will be required to wear a mask.** Thank you for your consideration of the health and wellbeing of all who will be attending the meeting.

**REGISTRATION 5:00 — 5:30 PM      BRIEF MEETING AT 5:30 PM**

Brooks' House of BBQ will be serving **TAKE OUT ONLY** chicken dinners after registration from 5:00 to 6:00 PM by **RESERVATION ONLY**.

If you would like to join us and participate in the chicken BBQ dinner, please complete the ticket that can be found on the back and return it with the \$10.00 per dinner payment by 8/13/2021. Please make checks payable to "Otsego Electric Cooperative" and please **DO NOT** include this payment in your check for payment of your electric bill. Dinner tickets will not be sold at the meeting.

## Broadband Update

We have had a very busy year and we have reached our 3,000th customer. We are also continuing to design and build to more locations. We expect to get started building some extensions in the fall and construction will continue into next year. If you would like to get service, we offer three internet plans:

- **The Ultimate Gig Plan**—1 GBPS for \$99.95 (with WiFi6 GigaSpire modems!).
- **Family Plan**—250 MBPS for \$59.95
- **Basic Plan**—100 MBPS for \$49.95

We also offer a phone service which includes unlimited short distance and 2,000 minutes of long distance for \$29.95 (not including tax). This service includes call forwarding, call waiting, caller ID and voicemail. The phone service is available to all who already have our internet or anyone looking to get new internet service installed. Also, if you add the phone, you will get a \$5/month discount on your bill! We also offer extenders, WiFi6 modems, parental and network security protection packages with the GigaSpire. If you need additional information about any of our services, please contact our office by phone 607-293-6622 or by our website [www.oconnect.coop](http://www.oconnect.coop).

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Office Hours  
7:30 – 4:00  
Monday – Friday

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**607-293-6622**

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## Board Member Makes Return



Patrick Hooker has returned to the OEC board after serving OEC as a board member over 15 years ago. He has recently retired from a long career working in agricultural policy in Albany.

After being the State President of the Future Farmers of America in high school, he went on to graduate from SUNY Morrisville and Cornell University. In Albany, Pat worked in the legislature, at the Farm Bureau, and was also Commissioner of the Department of Agriculture and Markets. He later oversaw both the Department and the State Liquor Authority as Deputy Secretary to the Governor for Food and Agriculture.

Pat and his wife, Karen, are now settling down on their 350-acre farm in Columbia where they make maple syrup and cut wood. They have been joined by their two children and their families who are building homes in the area. We are thrilled to have him back!

## Smart Hub

If you are looking for a convenient way to pay your bill, Smart Hub has several advantages:



- Access Smart Hub through a smart phone app, which is optimized for mobile devices
- You can easily make a one-time payments on an account without setting up a user name and password. This feature, called **Pay-Now**, will appeal to those members who do not wish to store their financial information on an account.
- Auto-Pay plans are easy to set-up, and adjusted, on your own.

You can start using Smart Hub by visiting our website at [www.otsegoec.coop](http://www.otsegoec.coop)

If you would like to order chicken or to pre-register, please call us and/or return the coupon located below along with the \$10.00 per dinner payment. Please make your check payable to Otsego Electric Cooperative. Please do not include this in your electric bill payment. No chicken tickets will be sold at the meeting.



## 77th Annual Meeting — Brooks' Chicken Bar-B-Q

\$10.00 Per Serving

Enclosed Please Find \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Please Reserve \_\_\_\_\_ Tickets at \$10.00 Each (*NO Takeout*)

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

*(Otsego Electric Cooperative Members and Family Only Please)*

