

As January draws to a close I am always amazed at how fast the days are getting longer although it still isn't fast enough for me. It is always nice to see the sun rising a bit earlier and setting later every day. I hope everyone survived the cold weather without too many frozen pipes. I know just about everyone is breathing a sigh of relief that the weather warmed up just a bit.

A few things to remember; On February 13 the INNEC Board of Directors will be meeting at the Nondalton Community Center. The main focus of discussion will be a rate increase scheduled to be implemented on June 1, 2017. The reason for the increase is to be able to pay for underground power line replacement.

We will also be discussing the ongoing project to upgrade the Tazimina Hydro Electric Plant. This meeting is open to all INNEC members.

Here is some electricity trivia:

Iceland is the only country in the world whose electricity supply is comes entirely from renewable resources.

Electricity travels at the speed of light-more than 186,000 mile per second. (That's pretty quick!!)

A spark of electricity can measure up to 3,000 volts. (No wonder it hurts!!)

A lightning bolt can travel at 130,000 miles per hour, measure up to 3,000,000 volts and reach 54,000 degrees Fahrenheit in temperature.

A modern refrigerator uses less energy than a Play Station 3.

If you are still using incandescent light bulbs; only 10 percent of the energy consumed by the bulb is used to create light, the other 90 percent consumed is heat. This is an excellent reason to invest in LED lights.

I hope everyone has a safe February. Be careful traveling on the ice!!!

The INNEC Annual Shareholders meeting will be held at the Newhalen Diesel Plant on April 8, 2017. There will be lots of good food and door prizes. All INNEC members are welcome to attend.