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Regular Scheduled Board of Directors Meeting

Tuesday, May 18, 2021

Nushagak Cooperative Board Room, 7:00 p.m.

MINUTES

Call to Order: Board Vice President, Henry Strub called the Regular Scheduled Board of Directors Meeting to order on Tuesday, May 18, 2021, in the Nushagak Cooperative Board Room. The time was 7:12 p.m.

Directors Present: *(Quorum Established)*

Henry Strub, Vice-President, (Zoom) Annie Fritze, Secretary (Zoom)
Chris Napoli, Director (Zoom) Steve Noonkesser, (Zoom)
Bruce Baltar (Zoom) Josh Bullock, Director (Zoom)
Wanda Wahl, Treasurer

Directors Absent:

Pete Andrew, President
Sue Flensburg, Director

Staff Present:

Robert Himschoot, CEO/GM (Zoom)
Trung Vo, Telecom Operations Manager (Zoom)
Angie Venua, Senior Accountant (Zoom)
Will Chaney, Electric Operations Manager (Zoom)
Gayla Powers, Human Resource Generalist (Zoom)

Guests:

Approval of Agenda: Chris Napoli motioned, and Steve Noonkesser seconded the motion to approve the May 18, 2021 Regular Scheduled Board Meeting agenda. The motion carried 6-0.

Approval of Minutes: Chris Napoli motioned, and Steve Noonkesser seconded the motion to approve the April 20, 2021 Regular Scheduled Board Meeting and the May 3rd Special Board Meeting. The motion carried 6-0.

Guests and Member Comments: None

Reports:

- A. Bob Himschoot – Submitted a written report.
- B. Angela Thames – Submitted a written report.
- C. Trung Vo – Submitted a written report.
- D. Jim Denslinger– Submitted a written report.
- E. Will Chaney– Submitted a written report.
- F. Angie Venua– Submitted a handout report.

Safety Moments: Read by Will Chaney.

Discussion/Review:

- A. General Board Discussion – Chris Napoli asked if Nushagak was coordinating the installation of piping for the supplemental heat project with the current construction being done in downtown Dillingham. Bob Himschoot and Will Chaney stated that we are. Annie Fritze asked what Nushagak’s plan was on reopening the business office to the members. Mr. Himschoot stated that he was working with Angela Thames the Business Office Supervisor to plan the re-opening.
- B. General CEO Discussion – Mr. Himschoot stated the fuel delivery prices could have been a bit lower if we hadn’t pre-purchased but at the time it looked like the prices would be much higher. Debt collection—Current past due accounts will at first tried to be collected through the business office as usual. Those not responding to these attempts and less than three years old will be turned over to Cornerstone collection agency. Mr. Himschoot asked that the board consider staff recommendations to remove the pictures from the website due to safety concerns. The board stated that it was a good decision. Mr. Himschoot followed up on the NREL (National Renewable Energy Labratroy) award. The first scoping meeting was held and went well but the second one was rescheduled. In the future flow study report the Salmon Habitat award was granted to the Land Trust and is applying it with other funding to complete the study for the hydro project. BBNA has an application also with BIA Water Management that will further fund the study if awarded. Corey and Will did hydro presentations over the last month with several entities. The Aquatic Working Group is going well and Nushagak expects to come out by the end of June and reinitiate the FERC

licensing process by submitting new a study plan. Henry Strub asked brought up a concern with the contractors we use in ensuring that they are they are fully ensured and that everything complies in all areas. Mr. Himschoot stated that we were working with the contractors to ensure they are in compliance.

C. Executive Session

Executive Session. AS 10.25.175 Board Meeting Open: Exceptions: Remedy-(C1) matters, the immediate knowledge of which would clearly have an adverse effect upon the finances of the public entity.

Steve Noonkesser motioned, and Chris Napoli seconded the motion to move into executive session. The times was 7:41pm The motion carried 7-0.

Motion: Steve Noonkesser motioned, and Chris Napoli seconded the motion to move out of Executive Session. The time was 9:04pm. The motion carried 7-0.

Action Items:

- A. Resolution 2021-05 Refund of Federal Communications Excise Tax
Steve Noonkesser motioned and Chris Napoli seconded the motion to approve Resolution 2021-5. The motion passed 7-0

- B. Resolution 2021-06 Refund of Federal Communications Excise Tax
Steve Noonkesser motioned and Chris Napoli seconded the motion to approve Resolution 2021-6. The motion passed 7-0

- C. Resolution 2021-07 Refund of Federal Communications Excise Tax
Steve Noonkesser motioned and Chris Napoli seconded the motion to approve Resolution 2021-7. The motion passed 7-0

- D. Resolution 2021-08 Refund of Federal Communications Excise Tax
Steve Noonkesser motioned and Chris Napoli seconded the motion to approve Resolution 2021-8. The motion passed 7-0

Future Board Items-

Unfinished Business-

Future Meetings & Conference Dates:

Adjournment- Chris Napoli motioned to adjourn and Bruce Baltar seconded the motion to adjourn. With no further business before the board Vice-President Henry Strub adjourned the May 18, 2021 Regular Scheduled Board of Directors Meeting at 9:14 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted By:

Gayla Powers, Human Resource Generalist 05/18/2021
Date

Approved By:

Annie Fritze, Secretary Date