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**Board of Directors Rescheduled Board Meeting**

Tuesday, June 11, 2024, at 6:00 p.m.

800 Kenny Wren Road

Nushagak Cooperative Conference Room

**MINUTES**

**Call to Order:** Board President, Pete Andrew, called the Rescheduled Board of Directors Meeting to order on Tuesday, June 11, 2024, in the Nushagak Cooperative Board Room. The time was 6:00 p.m.

**Directors Present:** *(Quorum Established)*

Pete Andrew, President  
Annie Fritze, Secretary  
Wanda Wahl, Director

Bruce Baltar, Director  
Mark Lisac, Director

**Directors Absent:** Henry Strub, Vice President  
James Hall, Treasurer  
Sue Flensburg, Director  
Jean Barrett, Director

**Staff Present:** Will Chaney, CEO/GM  
Joel Collins, Electric Operations Manager  
Dennis Payne, Telecom Operations Manager  
Angela Thames, Business Office Manager  
Angie Venua, Comptroller  
Angela Lopez, HR Generalist/Executive Secretary

**Guests:** Alannah Hurley, Member

**Approval of Agenda:** Annie Fritze motioned, and Mark Lisac seconded the motion to approve the June 11, 2024, Rescheduled Board Meeting Agenda with the following additions to

IX: Action Items:

D. Resolution 2024 – 10 Wells Fargo Credit Card Holders

E. Resolution 2024 – 11 Authorization for Wells Fargo Bank Signatures

X: Director Items:

D. Executive Session. AS 10.25.175 Board Meetings Open; Exceptions; Remedy (C4) personnel matters

The motion carried 5-0

**Approval of Minutes:** Mark Lisac motioned, and Bruce Baltar seconded the motion to approve the May 21, 2024, Regular Scheduled Board Meeting Minutes as submitted.

The motion carried 5-0.

**Guests and Member Comments:** Alannah Hurley, member, shared her thoughts and expressed her concerns regarding Resolution 2024 – 08 Modifying Tariff Section 3.5.1.1.2 to Remove Free Line Extensions of 500 Feet or Less. CEO/GM, Will Chaney answered Mrs. Hurley's questions and explained why management made the recommendation to remove the allowance.

**Reports:**

A. Will Chaney – No questions at this time.

B. Dennis Payne – Mr. Payne updated the board that technicians Christian Olson & La'akea Chu has made additional progress by passing more tests and they are continuing to work towards their certifications.

Mr. Payne gave an update on the AK Plan.

C. Joel Collins – No questions at this time.

D. Angela Thames – No questions at this time.

- E. Angie Venua – Annie Fritze shared her concern about the negative balance on the Patronage Capital/Margins in the Checkbook Summary. Comptroller, Angie Venua explained that the decline in revenue started in 2023 where there was a sizable loss of internet members/accounts. Ms. Venua took the time to go through the Cash Flow Statement and explain the line items and answer questions. Bruce Baltar asked for suggestions on how to increase revenue, what is necessary to move forward, and what are the options? Management needs to come up with suggestions.

**Safety Moment:** Work Safe: Boat Towing Safety

**Discussion/Review:**

- A. General Board Discussion – Mark Lisac assisted with an electronic recycling programing and shared with Dennis Payne that it may be possible to recycle the Dish TV Set-top boxes and other equipment.

The FCC Board Chairman will be coming to Dillingham, a meeting is being scheduled.

Pete Andrew thanked Wanda Wahl for attending the Legislative Session in Washington DC. Ms. Wahl expressed the importance of face-to-face meetings and the impact they make. Ms. Wahl emailed a travel report to the board and management staff, which was well received and contained good information.

- B. General CEO Discussion – The deadline to complete the online Recreational Survey has been extended from May 31<sup>st</sup> to June 9<sup>th</sup>.

Mr. Chaney was notified via email that the Congressionally directed spending request of \$3.2M with Murkowski's office has been put forward to the Appropriations Committee.

Choggiung Ltd will be having their quarterly board meeting on June 21<sup>st</sup> and Nushagak has been invited to give an update on the Fiber Project.

Mr. Chaney gave a verbal report on the Legislative Session he attended in Washington DC.

Mr. Chaney thanked Comptroller, Angie Venua for her years of service. June 17, 2024, will be Mrs. Venua's last day, and this is her last board meeting. The board also gave their appreciation and thanked her for her dedication.

**Action Items:**

- A. **Approve Resolution 2024 – 07 Removing Tariff Section 2.7.3 Temperature Exemption for Disconnect.** Bruce Baltar motioned to approve Resolution 2024 – 07 and Mark Lisac seconded the motion.

The motion carried 5-0

- B. **Approve Resolution 2024 – 08 Modifying Tariff Section 3.5.1.1.2 to Remove Free Line Extension of 500 Feet or Less.** Mark Lisac motioned to approve Resolution 2024 – 08 and Bruce Baltar seconded the motion.

The motion carried 5-0

- C. **Approve Resolution 2024 – 09 Authorization for General Manager to Enter into Fuel Storage Agreement.** Wanda Wahl motioned to approve Resolution 2024 – 09 and Bruce Baltar seconded the motion.

The motion carried 5-0

- D. **Approve Resolution 2024 – 10 Wells Fargo Credit Card Holders.** Mark Lisac motioned to approve Resolution 2024 – 10 and Bruce Baltar seconded the motion.

The motion carried 5-0

- E. **Approve Resolution 2024 – 11 Authorization for Wells Fargo Bank Signatures.** Mark Lisac motioned to approve Resolution 2024 – 11 and Bruce Baltar seconded the motion.

The motion carried 5-0

**Director Items:**

- A. Future Board Items/New Business – None at this time.

- B. Unfinished Business – None at this time.

- C. Future Meetings & Conference Dates:

1. APA Federal Legislative Conference, June 4 – 6, Washington, DC
2. APA & ARECA Annual Meeting, September 10 – 13, Fairbanks, AK
3. 2024 Broadband Showcase, October 30 & 31, Anchorage, AK
4. ATA 2025 Winter Conference, January 19 – 22, 2025, Waikoloa, HI

**D. Call for Executive Session. AS 10.25.175 Board Meetings Open; Exceptions; Remedy (C4) personnel matters.**

Mark Lisac motioned, and Bruce Baltar seconded the motion to move into Executive Session. The motion passed 5-0. The time was 8:03 pm.


Mark Lisac motioned, and Wanda Wahl seconded the motion to move out of Executive Session. The motion passed 5-0. The time was 8:16 pm.

**Adjournment:** Wanda Wahl motioned, and Mark Lisac seconded the motion to adjourn and with no further business to come before the board, Board President Pete Andrew adjourned the June 11, 2024, Rescheduled Board of Directors Meeting. The time was 8:16 pm.

The motion carried 5-0.

**Respectfully Submitted By:**

  
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Angela Lopez, Executive Secretary/HR Generalist 7/16/2024  
Date

**Approved By:**   
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Annie Fritze, Secretary 7/16/2024  
Date

