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Rescheduled Regular Board of Directors Meeting

Tuesday, September 13, 2016

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

MINUTES

Call to Order: Vice President, Henry Strub called the Rescheduled Regular Board of Directors Meeting to order on Tuesday, September 13, 2016 in the Nushagak Cooperative Board Room. The time was 7:01 p.m.

Directors Present: Henry Strub, Vice President
Todd Radenbaugh, Director
Wanda Fulton, Director

(Quorum Established)
Chris Napoli, Director
Annie Fritze, Director

Directors Absent: Pete Andrew, President
Rae Belle Whitcomb, Secretary
Steve Noonkesser, Treasurer

Staff Present: Nancy Favors, CEO/GM
Michael Favors, Telecom Operations Manager
Bobby Armstrong, Electric Operations Manager
Angie Venua, Senior Accountant

Guests Present: No Guests

Approval of Agenda:

Chris Napoli motioned and Annie Fritze seconded the motion to approve the September 13, 2016 Rescheduled Regular Board meeting agenda. The motion carried 5-0.

Approval of Minutes:

Chris Napoli motioned and Annie Fritze seconded the motion to approve the August 16, 2016 Regular Scheduled Board Meeting Minutes with the correction of Wanda Fulton's name and the spelling of "dual". The motion carried 5-0.

Reports:

A. Angie Venua – Submitted a written report.

Chris Napoli asked why there were more member refunds on the financial report than usual.

Angie Venua explained that they were catching up and that the financials reflected two months of member refunds.

B. Nancy Favors – No report.

C. Angela Lopez – No report.

D. Michael Favors – No report.

E. Bobby Armstrong – Submitted a written report.

Discussion/Review

Vacant Board Seat – The board directed staff to advertise the vacant board seat for 30 days on KDLG, Facebook, the Nushagak website, and to put a stuffer in October's billing. Nancy Favors will review the letters of interest and bring the qualified candidates before the board at the October 18, 2016 meeting.

Refinance RUS Electric Loan – The board discussed this briefly and asked that a resolution be added to the action items for the October meeting.

Emails regarding Nushagak Business – Nancy Favors informed the board that her email was hacked while using a wireless connection in Anchorage and that email regarding Nushagak Business should be sent on the Nushagak's server and not to other email accounts. No action was taken but the majority of the board agreed that it would be safer to send Nushagak related business to their Nushagak emails.

General Board Discussion – Todd Radenbaugh asked why the Waskey Road Project has been delayed. Michael Favors informed him that Nushagak has been having trouble finding the owners of the different properties to obtain easements. Nushagak has hired a surveying company to find out who owns the different properties so easements can be obtained and the project can move forward.

Todd Radenbaugh also directed staff to update the weather on the analog channel.

Chris Napoli wanted to make the board aware that the Kilowatt sales are down and that makes a negative effect on Nushagak's finances and that the board needs to think of a way to change it.

Henry Strub directed Bob Armstrong to undertake a "Safety Moment" at every board meeting for the directors to stay up-to-date on safety in the industry.

General CEO Discussion – Nancy Favors informed the board that the Alaska Plan was approved on August 31, 2016, which means that the price per line that the rural telephone companies get for having service returned to the rates from 2011 with a \$3,000 per line price cap. Christine O'Connor will be out at the end of September to discuss the Alaska Plan at BBNA and Nancy Favors will try to set up a time to come to Nushagak to discuss it with the board.

Action Items

Approval of Resolution 2016-08, Patronage Capital – Early Retirement of Estates – Chris Napoli motioned and Todd Radenbaugh seconded the motion to approve Resolution 2016-08. The motion carried 5-0.

Director Items

Budget Committee Meeting – To be scheduled for the last week in September.

Unfinished Business

Future Meetings & Conference Dates:

APA Annual Membership Meeting, September 21-23
ATA Tech Showcase, October 12-13, 2016 – Anchorage, AK
NECA Expo, November 13-17, 2016 – Las Vegas, NV
ATA Winter Conference, January 22-25 – Maui, Hawaii

Adjournment- With no further business to come before the board, Wands Fulton motioned and Annie Fritze seconded the motion to adjourn the September 13, 2016 Rescheduled Regular Board Meeting. The time was 7:54 p.m. The motion carried 5-0.

Respectfully Submitted By:

Angela Thames, Executive Secretary/Recorder 09/13/2016
Date

Approved By:

Rae Belle S. Whitcomb, Secretary Date