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Board of Directors Regular Scheduled Board Meeting

Tuesday, May 16, 2023, at 7:00 p.m.

Nushagak Cooperative Conference Room

MINUTES

Call to Order: Board Vice President, Henry Strub called the Regular Scheduled Board of Directors Meeting to order on Tuesday, May 16, 2023, in the Nushagak Cooperative Board Room. The time was 7:00 p.m.

Directors Present: *(Quorum Established)*

Henry Strub, Vice-President	Mark Lisac, Director
Wanda Wahl, Treasurer	Jean Barrett, Director
Bruce Baltar, Director	
Sue Flensburg, Director	

Directors Absent: Pete Andrew, President
Steve Noonkesser, Director
Annie Fritze, Secretary

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

Guests: Chris Lallish, Auditor with Aldrich
Christina McDermott, KDLG

Approval of Agenda: Sue Flensburg motioned, and Mark Lisac seconded the motion to approve the May 16, 2023, Regular Scheduled Board Meeting Agenda.

The motion carried 6-0.

Approval of Minutes: Sue Flensburg motioned, and Jean Barrett seconded the motion to approve the April 25, 2023, Rescheduled Board Meeting Minutes as submitted.

The motion carried 6-0.

Guests and Member Comments:

Chris Lallish, Auditor with Aldrich, introduced himself and will be giving a presentation later in the meeting.

Christina McDermott, reporter for KDLG, introduced herself and had no comments or questions at this time.

Reports:

- A. Will Chaney – Mr. Chaney spoke to the bulleted subjects submitted on his written report and continued with the following updates:
 - a. The Request for Proposal (RFP) for the Fiber Project was released on 05.15.23
 - b. The preliminary Geotech results from last year’s study season are very good and in line with expectations – Nuyakuk Hydro Project
 - c. Mr. Chaney would like to look at the Wage Schedule; last across the board wage adjustment was in 2015

Mark Lisac asked if the LiDAR flight took place yet. Mr. Chaney explained that the flight almost got postponed due to weather, but that was not the case. The results captured missing images resulting in a more complete product.

Mark Lisac asked for an update on the Wi-Fi access near the airport. Mr. Chaney responded that this project is still a high priority and management is actively working on inventory and implementation.

- B. Dennis Payne – Mr. Payne reviewed his submitted written report and had one additional update:
 - a. Two out of the three members of the Telephone department were out with Covid the first week of May.
- C. Angela Thames – Ms. Thames reviewed her submitted written report and had one additional update:
 - a. Both Customer Service Representatives were out the first week of May, one individual was on scheduled leave and the other was out due to Covid. Angela Thames had to cover and work customer service.

Mark Lisac mentioned there is some confusion regarding Smarthub because of the two different log-ins, one for the utilities and one for the communications. Ms. Thames explained that this is because the billing systems are two separate systems, this is the

most common situation in many areas of the United States. Mr. Lisac also shared how impressed he is with the amount of information provided within Smarthub.

D. Angie Venua – No questions were asked.

Safety Moment: Basic Chainsaw Safety and Elevated Cutting was read by Will Chaney

Discussion/Review:

- A. Presentation of the Audited Financial Statement for Year Ending December 31, 2022, by Chris Lallish, Auditor with Aldrich
 - a. Chris Lallish gave a PowerPoint presentation and answered all questions from the board and staff.

B. Approved 2023 Operating Budget

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C. General Board Discussion

Wanda Wahl thanked Angela Thames for the monthly internet count, it is appreciated. Ms. Wahl also thanked Chris for the presentation on the Financials and welcomed Mr. Dennis Payne to Nushagak Cooperative.

D. General CEO Discussion – None at this time

Action Items:

- A. **Approve Resolution 2023 – 05 Wells Fargo Credit Card Holders** Bruce Baltar motioned to approve Resolution 2023-05 and Mark Lisac seconded the motion. The motion passed 6-0.
- B. **Approve Resolution 2023 – 06 Change Board of Directors Meeting Time** Bruce Baltar motioned to approve Resolution 2023-06 and Mark Lisac seconded the motion. The motion passed 6-0.

Director Items:

- A. Future Board Items/New Business – New Regular Scheduled Meeting time is now 6 pm, effective with the June Board Meeting.
- B. Unfinished Business – None at this time.

C. Future Meetings & Conference Dates:

1. NWPPA Annual Conference, May 14-17, 2023, Anchorage, AK
2. Alaska Sustainable Energy Conference, May 22-25, 2023, Anchorage, AK
3. ATA Annual Meeting, May 22-24, 2023, Cordova, AK
4. APA Federal Legislative Conference, June 6-8, 2023, Washington, DC
5. APA Accounting & Finance Workshops, August 8-9, 2023, Anchorage, AK
6. APA Annual Meeting, August 22-25, 2023, Valdez, AK
7. National Hydropower Assoc. AK Regional Mtg, Sept. 12-13, 2023, Anchorage, AK
8. Alaska Electric Utility Legal Workshop, October 11-12, Anchorage, AK

Adjournment: Sue Flensburg motioned, and Mark Lisac seconded the motion to adjourn and with no further business to come before the board, Board Vice President Henry Strub adjourned the May 16, 2023, Regular Scheduled Board of Directors Meeting. The time was 8:19 pm. The motion carried 6-0.

Respectfully Submitted By:




Angela Lopez, Executive Secretary/HR Generalist

6/20/2023

Date

Approved By:



Annie Fritze, Secretary

6/20/2023

Date

