

**CHUGACH ELECTRIC ASSOCIATION, INC.**  
**Anchorage, Alaska**

**August 27 – 28, 2024**  
**Tuesday and Wednesday**  
**8:30 a.m.**

**REGULAR BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING**

Recording Secretary: Heather Slocum

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Wiggin called the Regular Board of Directors' Meeting to order at 8:34 a.m. at the Megan Room, Anchorage, Alaska.

*A. Pledge of Allegiance*

*B. Roll Call*

*Board Members Present:*

Mark Wiggin, Chair  
Sisi Cooper, Vice Chair  
Susanne Fleek-Green, Secretary  
Rachel Morse, Treasurer  
Dan Rogers, Director  
Bettina Chastain, Director  
Jim Nordlund, Director

*Guests and Staff Attendance*

*Present:*

Arthur Miller	Buddi Richey	Dan Herrmann
Sherri Highers	Heather Slocum	Josh Travis
Andrew Laughlin	Dustin Highers	Teresa Kurka
Matt Clarkson	Kate Ayers	Mike Miller
Allan Rudeck	Julie Hasquet	Russell Thornton
Tiffany Wilson	Bart Armfield, Consultant	Mark Schneider, CFC
Stephanie Huddell	Trish Baker	Ann Shankroff, CFC
Eugene Ori	Paul Johnson	Brian Sloboda, CFC–Online
	Mike O'Brien, Consultant	Bill Herman, Member

*C. Safety Minute*

Tiffany Wilson, Chief Human Resources Officer, discussed emergency exits, first aid, fire extinguishers, and other safety topics pertinent to the location.

*D. Energy Factoid: Rate Adjustment Process*

Sherri Highers, Chief Financial Officer, discussed closing a debt deal.

## **II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Director Cooper Morse moved, and Director Cooper seconded the motion to approve the agenda. The motion passed unanimously.

*Director Nordlund was not present at the time of the vote.*

## **III. PERSONS TO BE HEARD**

Bill Herman, member, made comments on climate change, oil production, and time given for member comments.

## **IV. CONSENT AGENDA**

Director Fleek-Green moved, and Director Cooper seconded the motion to approve the consent agenda. The motion passed unanimously.

Director Morse discussed the upcoming NRECA Regions 7&9 meeting September 24 – 26, 2024. She has been the board representative for three years and discussed electing a new representative to attend the meeting.

*Director Nordlund was not present at the time of the vote.*

## **V. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

- A. *Introduction and Opening Comments (Wiggin/Schneider)*
- B. *Strategic Plan Overview and Session Objectives (Miller/Ayers/Scheider)*
- C. *Gas Supply (Rudeck/Schneider)*
- D. *Renewable Generation (Sloboda/D. Highers/Schneider)*
- E. *Risk Management Strategies (Schneider)*

At 9:12 a.m., Director Cooper moved and Director Morse seconded the motion that pursuant to Alaska Statute 10.25.175(c)(1) and (3), the Board of Directors go into executive session to: 1) discuss and receive reports regarding matters the immediate knowledge of which would clearly have an adverse effect on the finances of the cooperative; and 2) discuss with its attorneys matters the immediate knowledge of which could have an adverse effect on the legal position of the cooperative. The motion passed unanimously.

*Director Nordlund was not present at the time of the vote.*

*Director Nordlund arrived during Executive Session.*

## **VI. RECESS**

The meeting recessed at 4:39 p.m.

## **VII. RECONVENE MEETING**

The meeting reconvened *in Executive Session* on August 28, 2024, at 8:34 a.m. at the Megan Room, Anchorage, Alaska.

## **VIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

- A. *Labor Negotiations (O'Brien/Wilson/Schneider)*
- B. *Legislative Priorities (Baker/Schneider)*
- C. *Lunch*

*D. Wrap-Up (Schneider)*

*The meeting reconvened open session at 1:36 p.m.*

**IX. DIRECTOR REPORTS**

*A. Alaska Power Association (APA) Report*

The Alaska Power Association Report was deferred to the following Board of Directors Meeting on September 25, 2024.

*B. Board Committee Reports (Audit and Finance, Operations & Governance)*

Director Morse reported that the last Audit & Finance committee meeting was August 21, 2024.

Director Fleek-Green reported that there has not been a Governance Committee meeting since the last Board Meeting and the next meeting has been rescheduled to October 8, 2024.

Directors Wiggin and Nordlund reported that there has not been an Operations Committee Meeting since the last Board of Directors' meeting and polled the Board for the next meeting. It was decided to meet on September 16, 2024.

*C. Other Meeting Reports*

None.

**X. CEO REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE**

*A. Reliability Outage Statistics (Laughlin)*

Andrew Laughlin, Chief Operating Officer, presented reliability metrics by district and answered questions from the board.

**XI. NEW BUSINESS**

*A. Campbell Lake Substation & LaTouche Substation Switchgear Replacement (M. Miller)*

Mike Miller, VP, Engineering, presented the Campbell Lake substation and LaTouche substation switchgear replacement details, and responded to questions from the Board.

Director Nordlund moved and Director Fleek-Green seconded that the Board of Directors authorize the Chief Executive Officer to acquire, construct and install the LaTouche Switchgear Rebuild at a total estimated installed costs of \$7,200,000. The motion passed unanimously.

**XII. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

*A. Enterprise Resource Planning Project Update (Travis/S. Highers)*

*B. Battery Energy Storage System (Laughlin/Clarkson)*

*C. Seward Electric Contract (Clarkson)*

*D. Wildlife Liability (Clarkson)*

*E. Expense Reports (Board)*

At 2:28 p.m. Director Fleek-Green moved and Director Rogers seconded the motion that pursuant to Alaska Statute 10.25.175(c)(1) and (3), the Board of Directors go into executive session to: 1) discuss and receive reports regarding matters the immediate knowledge of which would clearly have an adverse effect on the finances of the cooperative; and 2) discuss with its attorneys matters the immediate knowledge of which could have an adverse effect on the legal position of the cooperative. The motion passed unanimously.

*The meeting reconvened in open session at 3:25 p.m.*

**XIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

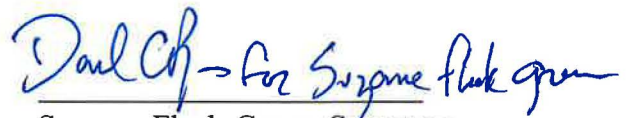
None.

**XIV. DIRECTOR COMMENTS**

Director comments were made at this time.

**XV. ADJOURNMENT**

At 3:50 p.m., Director Cooper moved and Director Nordlund seconded the motion to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously.



Susanne Fleek-Green, Secretary

Date Approved: September 25, 2024