

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

**May 12, 2021**  
**Wednesday**  
**4:00 p.m.**

**OPERATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING**

Recording Secretary: Jody Abruzzino

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Parks called the Operations Committee meeting to order at 4:03 p.m. in the boardroom of Chugach Electric Association, Inc., 5601 Electron Drive, Anchorage, Alaska.

*A. Roll Call*

*Committee Members Present:*

Stuart Parks, Chair  
Harold Hollis, Vice Chair (*via teleconference*)  
Rachel Morse, Director  
Mark Wiggin, Director  
Bettina Chastain, Director (*via teleconference*)

*Board Members Present:*

Sam Cason, Director  
James Henderson, Director

*Guests and Staff Attendance*

*Present:*

Lee Thibert	Brian Hickey	Mark Fouts
Arthur Miller	Matt Clarkson	Tom Walsh, PRA
Kate Ayers	Scarlett Masten	

*Via Teleconference:*

Connie Owens	Julie Hasquet	Tyler Andrews
Arden Quezon	Sheri Highers	Mike Miller
Andrew Laughlin	Bill Murray	Laurel Foster
Chantelle Lewis-Boutte		

**II. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

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

**III. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

Director Wiggin moved and Director Morse seconded the motion to approve the April 14, 2021, Operations Committee Meeting minutes. The motion passed unanimously.

#### **IV. PERSONS TO BE HEARD**

- A. *Member Comments*  
None.

#### **V. NEW BUSINESS**

- A. *UHF Land Mobile Radio System Replacement Phase II Contract Authorization (Johnson/Hickey)*

Bill Murray, Manager, Telecommunications and Brian Hickey, Chief Operating Officer (COO) discussed the UHF Land Mobile Radio System Replacement Phase II Contract Authorization and responded to questions from the Committee.

Director Morse moved and Director Hollis seconded the motion that the Operations Committee recommends the Board of Directors approve the resolution authorizing the Chief Executive Officer to execute an increase to the services contract with RACOM to replace Chugach's UHF Land Mobile Radio System in the amount of \$428,075.07 for a new Contract NTE amount of \$1,882,208.23. The motion passed unanimously.

- B. *Daves Creek 352 Reliability Improvements-Phase I Project Authorization (Laughlin/Hickey)*

Andrew Laughlin, VP, Engineering and Brian Hickey, COO and Lee Thibert, Chief Executive Officer (CEO) discussed the Daves Creek 352 Reliability Improvements-Phase I Project Authorization and responded to questions from the Committee.

Director Wiggin moved and Director Morse seconded the motion that the Board of Directors authorize the Chief Executive Officer to proceed with the Daves Creek 352 Reliability Improvements Phase I project at an estimated total cost of \$1,600,000. The motion passed unanimously.

- C. *Key Member and Sustainability Program (Ayers/Miller)*

Kate Ayers, Manager, Key Accounts and Sustainability and Arthur Miller, Executive VP, Regulatory and External Affairs discussed the Key Member and Sustainability Program and responded to questions from the Committee.

#### **VI. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

- A. *Beluga River Unit (BRU) Development Planning*  
B. *May 1, 2021-April 30, 2022 Chief Executive Officer Project Specific Initiatives and Priority Area Goals*  
C. *Succession Plan & Policies*

At 4:44 p.m., Director Morse moved, and Director Wiggin seconded the motion that pursuant to Alaska Statute 10.25.175(c)(1), (2), (3) and (4) the Board of Directors' Operations Committee go into executive session to: 1) discuss and receive reports regarding financial matters, the immediate knowledge of which would clearly have an adverse effect on the finances of the cooperative; 2) discuss personnel matters that may tend to prejudice the reputation or character of a person; however, the person may request a public discussion; 3) discuss with its attorneys legal matters, the immediate knowledge of which could have an

adverse effect on the legal position of the cooperative; and 4) discuss personnel matters. The motion passed unanimously.

*The meeting reconvened in open session at 7:38 p.m.*

## **VII. NEW BUSINESS**

### *A. Beluga River Unit (BRU) Development Planning (Fouts)*

Director Wiggin moved and Director Morse seconded the motion that the Operations Committee recommends the Board of Directors approve the proposed agreement as discussed in executive session. The motion passed unanimously.

### *B. May 1, 2021-April 30, 2022 Chief Executive Officer Project Specific Initiatives and Priority Area Goals (Committee)*

Director Morse moved and Director Hollis seconded the motion that the Operations Committee recommends the Board of Directors approve the May 1, 2021 - April 30, 2022 Chief Executive Officer Project Specific Initiatives and Priority Area Goals as discussed in executive session. The motion passed unanimously.

## **VIII. DIRECTOR COMMENTS**

Comments were made at this time.

## **IX. ADJOURNMENT**

At 7:49 p.m., Director Morse moved and Director Wiggin seconded the motion to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously.