

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

**July 14, 2021**  
**Wednesday**  
**4:00 p.m.**

**OPERATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING**

Recording Secretary: Arden Quezon

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Chastain 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:*

Bettina Chastain, Chair  
Harold Hollis, Director  
Mark Wiggin, Director (*via teleconference*)  
Erin Whitney, Director  
Rachel Morse, Director

*Board Members Present:*

Sam Cason, Director  
James Henderson, Director

*Guests and Staff Attendance Present:*

Andrew Laughlin	Mark Fouts	Ron Vecera
Arthur Miller	Matthew Clarkson	Sherri Highers
Brian Hickey	Paul Johnson	Todd McCarty
Julie Hasquet	Pete Smithson	Tyler Andrews

*Via Teleconference:*

Connie Owens

**II. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

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

*Directors Wiggin and Whitney were not present during the vote.*

**III. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

Director Morse moved and Director Hollis seconded the motion to approve the May 12, 2021, Operations Committee Meeting minutes. The motion passed unanimously.

*Directors Wiggin and Whitney were not present at the time of the vote.*

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

- A. *Member Comments*  
None.

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

- A. *Election of Operations Committee Vice Chair (Committee)*  
Director Hollis moved and Director Morse seconded the motion that the Operations Committee elect Director Wiggin as the Vice Chair of the Operations Committee. The motion passed unanimously.

*Directors Wiggin and Whitney were not present at the time of the vote.*

- B. *Review of Board Policy 206 – Statement of Functions of the Operations Committee (Committee)*  
Director Morse moved and Director Hollis seconded the motion that the Operations Committee recommends the Board of Directors approve revisions to Board Policy 206 – Statement of Functions of the Operations Committee, as discussed and shown in the attached draft policy. The motion passed unanimously.

*Directors Wiggin and Whitney were not present at the time of the vote.*

- C. *Update on Railbelt Reliability Council (Hickey)*  
Brian Hickey, Chief Operating Officer (COO) provided an update on Railbelt Reliability Council and responded to questions from the Committee.

*Director Wiggin joined via teleconference at 4:07 p.m.*

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

- A. *Battery Energy Storage System*  
B. *2022 Wholesale Power Contract for Seward Electric System*  
C. *Beluga River Unit Update*  
D. *Cyber Security Update*  
E. *Labor Update*

At 4:16 p.m., Director Hollis moved, and Director Morse seconded the motion that pursuant to Alaska Statute 10.25.175(c)(1), (3) and (4) the 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; and, 2) to discuss legal matters with its attorneys, the immediate knowledge of which could have an adverse effect on the legal position of the cooperative; and 3) discuss personnel matters. The motion passed unanimously.

*Director Whitney arrived during Executive Session.*

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

## **VII. NEW BUSINESS**

### *A. Battery Energy Storage System (Hickey)*

The Committee deferred agenda item for further discussion at the July 21, 2021, Regular Board of Directors' meeting. No objections were made.

### *B. 2022 Wholesale Power Contract for Seward Electric System (Clarkson/Hickey/Miller)*

Director Morse moved and Director Hollis seconded the motion the Chugach Board Operations Committee recommend the Board of Directors to authorize the Chief Executive Officer to execute the 2022 Wholesale Power Contract between Chugach Electric Association, Inc. and the City of Seward d/b/a Seward Electric System and to submit the agreement to the Regulatory Commission of Alaska for approval. The motion passed unanimously.

## **VIII. DIRECTOR COMMENTS**

Comments were deferred to the Governance Committee meeting.

## **IX. ADJOURNMENT**

At 7:52 p.m., Director Hollis moved and Director Morse seconded the motion to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously.