# CHUGACH ELECTRIC ASSOCIATION, INC. Anchorage, Alaska

# August 25, 2021 Wednesday 4:00 p.m.

# **REGULAR BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING**

Recording Secretary: Ashton Doyle

## I. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Morse called the Regular Board of Directors' Meeting to order at 4:03 p.m. in the boardroom of Chugach Electric Association, Inc., 5601 Electron Drive, Anchorage, Alaska.

- A. *Pledge of Allegiance* Chair Morse led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.
- B. Roll Call

Board Members Present: Rachel Morse, Chair Bettina Chastain, Vice Chair James Henderson, Secretary Harold Hollis, Treasurer Sam Cason, Director Mark Wiggin, Director Erin Whitney, Director

## Guests and Staff Attendance

Present:		
Sherri Highers	Arthur Miller	Arden Quezon
Brian Hickey	Andrew Laughlin	Barry Piser
Matthew Clarkson	Julie Hasquet	Gary Steele, Member
Marty Freeman	Dusty Freeborn, Member	·

Via Teleconference:		
<b>Russ Thornton</b>	Crystal Enkvist, APA	Kathy Harris
Luke Sliman	Sean Skaling	Mike Brodie
Karen Griffin	Scarlett Master	Pete Smithson

C. *Minute* Marty Freeman, Senior Manager HSE discussed "*Defensive Driving*."

## II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

#### III. PERSONS TO BE HEARD

Gary Steele and Dusty Freeborn, Chugach Members, addressed the Board regarding Moose Pass and Cooper Landing outages.

## IV. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Board Calendar
- B. Training and Conferences
  - 1. NRECA Region IX Meeting Morse (Alaska NRECA Representative) (September 28-30, 2021, Las Vegas, NV)
- C. Minutes
  - 1. July 21, 2021, Regular Board of Directors' Meeting (Quezon)
- D. Director Expenses
- E. BRUARO Investment Strategy

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

# V. CEO REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE

- *Cooper Landing Outages (Hickey)* Brian Hickey, Chief Operating Officer (COO), discussed Cooper Landing Outages events and responded to questions from the Board.
- B. Update on Railbelt Reliability Council (RRC) (Hickey)
  Brian Hickey, COO, gave an update on the Railbelt Reliability Council and responded to questions from the Board.
- C. Board Policy Scheduled Tasks/Reports (Board/Staff) Sherri Highers, Chief Financial Officer (CFO), Executive VP, Finance & Administration, discussed the Board Policy Scheduled Tasks/Reports and responded to questions from the Board.
- D. NRECA Proposed Resolutions (Miller) Arthur Miller, Executive VP, Regulatory & External Affairs, discussed the NRECA 2021 Compendium of Proposed Resolutions and responded to questions from the Board.

## VI. DIRECTOR REPORTS

A. Alaska Power Association (APA) Report

Director Hollis introduced Crystal Enkvist, Executive Director, APA and she provided an update on APA activities, upcoming events and responded to questions from the Board.

B. Alaska Railbelt Cooperative Transmission & Electric Company (ARCTEC) Report Brian Hickey, COO, gave an ARCTEC update and stated further discussions will continue in executive session.

- C. Renewable Energy Alaska Project (REAP) Report Directors Whitney and Wiggin reported on the August 3, 2021, REAP Public Policy Committee meetings.
- D. Board Committee Reports (Audit and Finance, Operations & Governance)
  Director Hollis reported on the July 28 and August 23, 2021, Audit and Finance Committee meetings and stated that the next meeting is scheduled for November 16, 2021.

Director Chastain reported on the August 11, 2021, Operations Committee meeting and stated that the next Operations Committee meeting is scheduled for September 15, 2021. Director Hollis indicated that he will not be able to attend the September meeting.

Director Cason stated the Governance Committee has not met since the July 14, 2021, meeting.

E. Other Meeting Reports

Director Henderson reported on the August 15-16, 2021, National Hydropower Association Regional Meeting. Brian Hickey, COO, responded to questions from the Board.

VII. UNFINISHED None.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS None.

#### IX. EXECUTIVE SESSION

- A. CEO Search
- B. Cooper Landing Capital Improvement Plan
- C. Battery Energy Storage System (BESS)
- D. Draft RRC Bylaws
- E. ARCTEC Meeting Report

At 5:25 p.m., Director Cason moved and Director Hollis seconded the motion that pursuant to Alaska Statute 10.25.175 (c)(1), (3), and (4) the Board of Directors' 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 with its attorneys legal matters, the immediate knowledge of which could have an adverse effect on the legal position of the cooperative and 3) personnel matters. The motion passed unanimously.

The meeting reconvened in open session at 7:45 p.m.

#### X. NEW BUSINESS

None.

#### XI. DIRECTOR COMMENTS

Director Comments were made at this time.

#### XII. ADJOURNMENT

At 7:45 p.m., Director Wiggin moved and Director Hollis seconded the motion to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously.

Director Chastain was not present at the time of the vote.

/s/

James Henderson, Secretary Date Approved: September 23, 2021

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