# ORCAS POWER & LIGHT COOPERATIVE MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

Thursday, December 15, 2016

President Vince Dauciunas called the meeting to order at 8:50 am at the Friday Harbor office. Board Members present were Winnie Adams, Randy Cornelius, Jim Lett, Mark Madsen and Jerry Whitfield. Brian Silberstein participated for the Tariff Revision portion of the meeting via phone. Staff present included General Manager Foster Hildreth; Manager of Engineering and Operations Russell Guerry; Manager of Finance and Member Services Nancy Loomis and Executive Assistant Bev Madan (serving as recording secretary). Also present was consultant Jay Kimball.

#### MEMBER/GUESTS

Each member/guest was offered an opportunity to address the board. Present were the Dwight Lewis, Steve Ludwig, Tom Starr, Jeri and Mike Ahrenius and Hayley Day (media).

Two of the Nourdine Jensen Youth Scholarship recipients presented their experiences at the Idaho Youth Rally.

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

 Motion made to accept the Consent Agenda which consisted of the November 17, 2016 minutes, new members (listed below), capital credit payments to the estates of deceased members/businesses and RUS 219s. Motion was seconded and carried by voice vote.

#### **New Members:**

**DISTRICT 1** 

San Juan

Aipopo, Margie

Albritton Family Roche Harbor

Bouwman, Joran Chase, Michael Deely, Kathy Elder, Molly Erickson, Brian Garcia, Norberto Gibson, Penny

Haagensen, Ryan

Hamdorf, Paul & Marlene

James, Matthew Kearns, Patricia Koch, Hans & Cindy McLaglen, Christy & Eric Mountford, Elizabeth Nett, Craig & Catherine Newcomb, George

Paz, Silvia Rook, Kyle Root, Daniel Salyards, Clyde Schmidt, Christopher

Shorett, Sarah Suhl, Adam Thiessens, Jeremy

Windstorm, Bly Venegas, Kelsey

Zendejas-Rhodes, Elvis

DISTRICT 2

**Orcas** 

Barcelos, Nathaniel & Jennifer Barfoot, Harold & Denise

Boathouse Ciderworks LLC

Ceteras, Cynthia Gazecki, John Kilgore, L & Sarah Long, Linda McCullum, Kamala McGee, Michele Miller, William

Morris, James & Merriman-Morris, Corrinna

Morris, Sheila & John Obstruction Pass Adventure

Phillips, Brian

Samuels, Brian & Lesley

Seeley, Chlarson

Segal, Arthur MD & Angela

Wild Island, Inc.

DISTRICT 3

Center

Miland, Stephen & Annamarie

Lopez

Carrier, Kelli

Chawkin, Shara & Philps, Toby Kammersgard, Dana & Lisa Maggior, Debra & Arione, Salvo

Means, Robert

Olsen, Norman & Gwen

Ross, Roger

Selg, George & Mary Jo

Simms, Robert

**DISTRICT 4** 

Shaw

PCG, LLC

Richards, Donna

**Capital Credits** 

Robert Fritz ......\$1,526.66

Island Petroleum Services, Inc	\$4,290.94
John Roselli	\$962.35
Total	\$6.779.95

**RUS 219s** approved for projects completed from the Construction Work Plan in the amount of \$546,624.78.

### **NRECA VOTING DELEGATE**

 Motion made to designate Cornelius the voting delegate for the NRECA annual meeting to be held in San Diego February 26-March 2 and Lett the alternate. Motion was seconded and carried by voice vote.

#### **TARIFF REVISIONS**

Revenue/rate increases of approximately 5% were approved with the 2017 budget at the November meeting. Tariffs were revised with the increase and will be effective with the January billing. Discussion resulted in determination of the Board to educate themselves on rate structure background, alternatives, and impacts in 2017 and complete a full cost of service analysis and rate structure review in 2018.

 Motion made and seconded to approve the tariff revisions as presented. Motion carried with one opposed.

## **EASEMENT RELINQUISHMENT**

 Motion to relinquish Easement #AFN102250 was made and seconded. Motion carried by voice vote.

#### 2017-2020 CONSTRUCTION WORK PLAN / RESOLUTION 6-2016

Motion to approve the 2017-2020 Construction Work Plan and corresponding Resolution
 6-2016 made and seconded. Motion carried by voice vote with one abstention.

# MEMBER SERVICE POLICY 30 Political Activity.

Motion to approve Member Service Policy 30 Political Activity made and seconded.
 Motion carried by voice vote.

## **BYLAW REVISIONS / STAGGERED BOARD TERMS**

The bylaws will be reviewed further at the January meeting.

 Motion to revert the section of Article III Directors Section 2 Qualifications and Tenure to the language prior to the November 17, 2016 revisions, removing staggered terms, was made and seconded. Motion carried by voice vote.

# **REPORTS**

General Manager

The finance summary dashboard was reviewed and a submarine cable update given. The Systems Engineer is conducting testing of the submarine cable at the manufacturing facility in Japan. Staff reviewed the status of CenturyLink's cable trespass.

Safety Program

Substation training in each district took place in October. There were no 'near miss'; incidents or accidents to report. Hours worked without loss time is currently 51,674.

11:00 am Cornelius departed.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

Vince Dauciunas, President

Winnie Adams, Secretary-Treasurer