

Orcas Power & Light Cooperative
Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting
Thursday, August 17, 2017

President Vince Dauciunas called the meeting to order at 8:40 a.m. at the Friday Harbor OPALCO office. Board members present were Winnie Adams, Randy Cornelius, Jim Lett, Brian Silverstein and Jerry Whitfield. Mark Madsen was absent. Staff present were General Manager Foster Hildreth; Manager of Engineering and Operations Russell Guerry; Manager of Finance and Member Services Nancy Loomis, Head Accountant Travis Neal and Executive Assistant Bev Madan (serving as recording secretary). Also present were Rock Island Communications (RIC) EVP Gerry Lawlor, RIC SVP of Finance Chris Schmidt, RIC VP Finance Laura Watson, RIC SVP Engineering Alan Smith, and consultant Jay Kimball.

MEMBER/GUESTS

Doug Rowan, Bill Severson and Barry Cave were in attendance.

CONSENT AGENDA

- Motion was made to accept the Consent Agenda which included the June 15, 2017 minutes, new members (listed below), capital credit payments totaling \$12,248.89 (listed below) and RUS 219s in the amount of \$627,850.82. Motion was seconded and carried by voice vote.

NEW MEMBERS

District 1

Brown, Pearl, Henry, San Juan, Spieden

Ackerley, Christopher
Anderson, Ronald Jr
Asbridge, Morgan
Barker, Geoffrey & Annie
Benson, Martti & Marjorie
Bolding, Patricia
Bond, Shawnlyle
Bonner Investments LLC
Branstetter, Michael
Butcher, Charles & Madeleine
Carlson, Georgina
Cleworth, Kim
Coffey, Stephanie
Dalldorf, Charles & Holloway, Lindsey
Garcia, Salvador & Orozco, Esperanza
Gizzi, Jim
Heinen, Jacob
Hennig, Jason & Catherine
Hensrude, Christy
Jordaan, Jean & Charles
Keune, Matthew
Kind, Anne J
Korb, Megan
Lambright, Ashley
Lemon Computers
Makofsky, Steven & Elizabeth
Martin, Kendra & Kevin
McCanless, Jamie
Miller, Addie
Mullin, Robert
Mumford, Sydney & Jacob
Nevin, Irene
Nicholson, Todd
Niland, Sam
Pitman, Dan
Richards, Paul F
Saddle Rd Water Association
Shearer, Jean
SMRU LLC
Stone, Dorothy
Straughan, Ben & Sandra

Strickland, Chance
Stuart, Thomas
Sullivan, Sam & Lucy
Tina's Tacos LLC
Trace, Walter & Susan
Vanbuskirk, Jeremy
Watts, Kevin & Haywood, Danielle
Wilson, Stacey & Jean
Woodward, Anne & Rice, Mark
Worth, David & Jennifer

District 2

Armitage, Blakely, Obstruction, Big Double, Little Double, Fawn, Orcas

Aguera-Arcas, Glaise & Fairhall, Adrienne
Arp, Renee & Christopher
Aviator, LLC
Boomerang, P&I, LLC
Buck, Samuel
Coomer, Gregory
Dashiell, Robert
Elvrum, Phil
Foster, Bonita J
Funk, Melody
Gahan, Roger
Garcia, Aliviah
Gillespi, Dana & Peck, Susan
Gilmore, Tracy
Haley, Kirk & Linda
Harlan, Scott & Jan
Hindorff, Joel & Lucia
Karandikar, Mahesh
Kemmerer, Stacey & Steve
Krick, Robert & Candace
Kuo, Katherine
Leidecker, Justin
Lindgren, Larry III
Madrona House LLC
Messinger, Sami
Meyer, Bridget & Newberry, Collen
Moore, Anthony
Orcas Cable LLC

Pearsons, Emmett
Pendleton, Nichi
Petros, Aaron
Puccio, Kelly & Miguel
Rainier, Robert
Reynolds, Candice
Ringe, Molly
Rosenblatt, Leon & Stephanie
Scott, Keely
Shpurik, Vladislav
Smith, Jerry & Joanne W.
Tidball, Emily & Richard
Werner, Aaron & Christine

District 3
Decatur, Center, Charles, Lopez
Abercrombie, Stewart
Avedesian, Greg
Bascom, Sarah & Tom
Bayshore Orchards LLC
Bentitou, Laurent
Charter, Andrew & Jodi L

Christensen, Jeff & Melody
Costa, Pedro
Cruson, Elisha
Foley, Kimberly & Lafferty, Liz
Fure, Ryan
Golding, Julie & Stewart, Pam
Manion, Shannon
Meng, Denny & Deborah
Miller, Robert J
Misa, Thomas
Newell, Christopher & Astrid
Redtree, Leslie
Rubey, Robert
Rybar, Matthew
Wolfe, Christina & Justin

District 4
Crane, Canoe, Bell, Shaw
Pierce, Matt & Nancy
Shearon, Deborah

CAPITAL CREDITS – CUSTOMER ESTATES RETIRED

Customer #.....	Amount
2000	\$1,296.77
63536	\$1,435.15
62697	\$1,660.81
83445	\$269.82
17990	\$1,013.71
21610	341.71
22110	\$402.90
71623	\$332.60
50849	\$1,550.53
28075	\$359.82
30566	\$1,993.04
33253	\$1,431.63
83781	\$160.40

ELECTIONS & GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE

The Board went into Executive Session 8:50 am to 9:20 am to individually interview the candidates from San Juan Island.

Barry Cave was appointed to Position A (one-year term) and Bill Severson was appointed to Position C (three-year term) representing Residency District 1 (San Juan)

BYLAW REVISIONS

Staff presented clean up bylaw revisions which were proposed for Board consideration, including clarification to the language in Article II Section 6 Ballot.

- **Motion** made to approve the bylaw revisions as presented. Motion was seconded and carried by voice vote.

MEMBER SERVICE POLICY 17 *Member Participation at OPALCO Meetings*

Formerly an OPALCO policy, Policy 17 was converted to a Member Service policy as it addresses member attendance and decorum at OPALCO meetings. Video recording was thoroughly discussed; recording will be static in nature and not always be possible due to location and connectivity ability. Consensus was to read a statement at the beginning of each meeting informing attendees the meeting will be recorded. The agenda would also include a statement regarding the meeting being recorded. The President/Chair would determine whether to continue recording if some were opposed.

- **Motion** made and seconded to approve Member Service Policy 17; motion carried by voice vote.

NRECA VOTING DELEGATE

- **Motion** was made and seconded to name Hildreth voting delegate for the Region 9 meeting in Denver October 16-18, 2017. Motion carried by voice vote.

ANNUAL MEETING

- **Motion** made and seconded to schedule the Annual Meeting of the membership for Saturday, April 21. Motion carried by voice vote.

Staff will also investigate the viability of holding the Annual meeting aboard the inter-island ferry.

RDApply: RESOLUTION 3-2017

A new web-based software system for loan document submittal through RUS requires submittal of the Construction Work Plan, Environmental Reports, financial forecast and other supplemental documents. Resolution 3-2017 is required to name the staff who will have permission to access the RDApply Intake System.

- **Motion** made and seconded to approve Resolution 3-2017. Motion carried by voice vote.

PNGC REPRESENTATIVE

- **Motion** made and seconded to name the General Manager as the designated membership representative with the Manager of Engineering & Operations the alternate (if approved by PNGC). Motion carried by voice vote.

USDA RURAL ENERGY SAVING PROGRAM (RESP): RESOLUTION 4-2017

RESP is a re-lending program operated by RUS that will allow OPALCO to provide low interest loan to members with the primary goal of energy savings and conservation. The program will also help members achieve carbon offset, energy efficiency and affordability. If approved, funds of \$5.8M will be used to implement a comprehensive energy savings and renewable re-lending program. The application process requires a Board resolution, a long-range financial forecast (LRFF) and high-level Implementation Work Plan (IWP) for the program.

- **Motion** made and seconded to approve execution of Resolution 4-2017, the LRFF and IWP. Motion carried by voice vote.

MOSS ADAMS ENGAGEMENT LETTER

- **Motion** made and seconded to approve execution of Moss Adams' engagement letters; motion carried by voice vote.

SEPTEMBER WORK SESSION: RATE STRUCTURE ALTERNATIVES

The September 22 work session will continue to be an educational exercise of the rate structure review. The September 22 Work Session will include review implications of current rate structure, discussion of rate structure alternatives to investigate; and review of preliminary rate comparison tool for the website.

REPORTS

General Manager

Safety: Total hours worked without loss time is 111,014.


The submarine cable schedule shows removal of OPALCO's 1977 Sumitomo Cable commences on approximately September 10th, with installation of the new cable beginning approximately September 20th. Staff will provide updates to the schedule on an as needed basis.


Construction began on the Decatur Tap and Substation Project in late July. It is anticipated that it will be energized by December 1.

The San Juan County Comprehensive Plan is being updated. OPALCO and RIC will be submitting input to all sections impacted by utility services, including renewable generation, electric vehicles, carbon reduction initiatives and other aspects that impact grid operations. The Board agreed that funds from the board's contingency fund in the amount of \$10k could be used to fund the education and outreach for work on the utility portion of the SJC Comprehensive Plan.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned to Executive Session at 12:25 p.m. Discussion included redundancy at the Washington Park Substation. Executive session adjourned at 1:10 p.m.


Vince Dauciunas, President


Winnie Adams, Secretary-Treasurer