

**Orcas Power & Light Cooperative  
Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting  
Thursday, September 21, 2017**

President Vince Dauciunas called the meeting to order at 8:05 a.m. at the Lopez Island Fire Hall. Board members present were Winnie Adams, Randy Cornelius, Jim Lett, Mark Madsen, Brian Silverstein and Jerry Whitfield. Staff present were 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).

**MEMBER/GUESTS**

Consultant Jay Kimball, WRECA Director Kent Lopez and members Dwight Lewis, Rob Thesman and Steve Ludwig.

**WRECA**

Kent Lopez, Director of Washington Rural Electric Cooperative Association, reviewed legislative bills to watch during the upcoming legislative session and shared the 2018 Legislative Objectives and Principles.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

- Motion was made to accept the Consent Agenda which included the August 17 minutes, new members (listed below) and capital credit payments totaling \$5,252.94. Motion was seconded and carried by voice vote.

**NEW MEMBERS**

**District 1**

**Brown, Pearl, Henry, San Juan, Spieden**  
Arrowsmith, Charles  
Badenhop, A  
Balam-Bacab, Jose J & Herrera, Reina I  
Brueske, Jon & Louise  
Capener, Jennifer  
Chenoweth, Donald & Field, Joanne  
Correa, Evelyn  
Cyprex Services LLC  
Evans, Ken & Judy  
Flores, Heriberto  
Goodsell, Charles & Perme, Diane  
Heart of the Island Farm  
Hoffman, Gregory & Jyoti, Patel  
Hogan, Nancy & Charles  
Howe, Aileen & Tyler  
Jiminez, Theresa  
Kochel, Matthew & Celina  
March, Scott & Osterhaug, Brenda  
Moyle, Fernando  
Noyes, Mark & Ramos, Caroline D  
O'Brian, Patrick & De La Zerda, Christian  
Palmer, Matthew  
Paulsen, Leanna M  
Potter, Caren & Grenfell, Sue  
Rayborn, Jeff  
Rivera, Oscar & Anna  
Roth, Daisy

Siroshton, Ben & Jayne  
TAL Holdings LLC

**District 2**

**Armitage, Blakely, Obstruction, Big Double, Little Double, Fawn, Orcas**  
Beckwith, Keith  
Brown, Leslie  
Davis, Melissa  
Ebert, Nancy  
Firedogs LLC  
Houghton, Dean  
Lee, Gary M  
LSX Properties LLC  
Mudd, Pearl  
Smith, Steven & Gragzda-Smith, Maria  
Stocklin, Megan

**District 3**

**Decatur, Center, Charles, Lopez**  
Allin, Boyd & Chelsea  
Christopherson, Julie & Bret  
Gurley, Erin  
Nicol, Ali  
Reding, Kerry & Scott  
Timothy, Luke

**CAPITAL CREDITS – CUSTOMER ESTATES/ORGANIZATIONS RETIRED**

<u>Customer #</u>	<u>Amount</u>
9360	\$2,239.41
9910	\$1,165.34
68399	\$846.03
80508	\$111.85
89412	\$169.61
70510	\$720.70

## RUS 219s

- **Motion** made and seconded to approve submittal of RUS 219s representing projects completed from the Construction Work Plan during the months of July and August in the amount of \$1,940,855.05. Motion carried by voice vote. Please note the August 219's in the amount of \$407,255.73 were added to the approval at the meeting.

## BUDGET BORROWINGS

Loans through RUS and the Federal Finance Bank (FFB) for distribution (AM8) and communications (AN8) are approaching their "last day for an advance" on November 1, 2017. After that date, RUS loan AS8 (pending approval) will be utilized for capital funding; funds may not be available until May 2018 due to loan processing. Staff included a proposal for an additional \$1.1M of borrowings in 2017 based on prior submitted 219's. At the meeting there was discussion to add another ~\$400k, representing the approved August 219s for the Inventory AN1708, for a total of ~\$1.5M.

- **Motion** made and seconded to approve additional RUS borrowings from AM8/AN8 in 2017 prior to November 1, 2017 as discussed. Motion carried by voice vote.

## PNGC Member Reimbursement Agreement (MRA) Resolution 6-2017

As full members of PNGC, effective October 1, OPALCO now shares in the financial obligation to National Rural Utilities Cooperative Finance Corporation (CFC). Resolution 6-2017 *Certificate of Resolutions and Incumbency Member Reimbursement Agreement, and other documents are required to fulfill the obligation.*

- **Motion** made and seconded to approve Resolution 6-2017. Motion carried by voice vote.

## WORK SESSION: Alternative Rate Structures

As part of the comprehensive rate structure review, the Board will hold a work session Friday, September 22 to review rate structure alternatives. Ray Ellis, GM of Lincoln Electric Cooperative (Montana) will participate in the discussion.

## REPORTS

### General Manager

Safety: Total hours worked without loss time is 118,558.

The San Juan County Comprehensive Plan: a schedule will be sent for the Board to review.

Submarine Cable Update: Cable removal began on September 14 with a traditional Japanese ceremony on September 15.

## ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned to Executive Session at 9:25 a.m. Executive Session began at 9:40 with discussion of the submarine cable contract issues. Executive session adjourned at 10:40 a.m.



Vince Dauciunas, President



Winnie Adams, Secretary-Treasurer