Orcas Power & Light Cooperative Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting Thursday, June 16, 2022

Streaming through Zoom attendees were Board members Vince Dauciunas, Jerry Whitfield, Brian Silverstein, Mark Madsen, Tom Osterman, Rick Christmas and Jeff Struthers. Staff present were General Manager Foster Hildreth; Manager of Engineering and Operations Russell Guerry; Manager of Finance and Member Services Nancy Loomis; Communications Manager Suzanne Olson (serving as recording secretary); Communications Assistant Manager Krista Bouchey; and Head Accountant Travis Neal. Also present were Legal Counsel Joel Paisner and consultant Jay Kimball; guests Oliver Wraggs of Orbital Marine, Cameron Fisher and Celeste Barnes of 48 North Solutions and Stacy Bumback of Environmental Science Associates.

Member comment session commenced at 8:30 a.m.

Members in attendance:

Robert Dashiell, Stephanie Buffum, Stacy Bumback, Lynn Bahrych, Ron Zee, Donna Lee, Ray Glaze, Kathleen Craig, and Heather Nichols (@10am).

Staff opened and explained rules of the meeting. Reviewed the agenda. Reported on recent co-op events: Island Way workshop on "How Climate Change Will Affect Power Bills" (5/24); and the very well attended EV Jamboree (6/8). Reminded members of the Island Way workshop on the "Energize San Juans" program for commercial energy audits (5/28) and encouraged participation in the Switch it Up on-bill financing program.

CONSENT AGENDA

• **MOTION** was made to accept the consent agenda by Madsen. Seconded by Struthers. Passed unanimously by voice vote.

ELECTION OF BOARD OFFICERS

The Board conducted officer elections using a private chat feature on Zoom. Madsen nominated Dauciunas for President; he accepted. Christmas nominated Whitfield for Vice President; he accepted. Christmas nominated Silverstein for Treasurer-Secretary; he accepted. Recording secretary reported unanimous voting for the slate. The 2022 officers elected were:

President – Vince Dauciunas Vice President – Jerry Whitfield Treasurer-Secretary – Brian Silverstein

PILOT TIDAL GENERATION UPDATED

GM reviewed slides presented to the Department of Energy team at Powerwater Week in DC and discussion ensued on grant funding, partners, timeline and outreach to members and stakeholders. Staff reported on a visit to a tidal project in the Orkney Islands; board member Whitfield and OPALCO members Stephanie Buffum and Lynn Bahrych also visited the site and commented on the project. Oliver Wraggs of Orbital Marine and Cameron Fisher of 48 North Solutions gave an update on Orbital's O2 tidal generator project and answered questions. Stacy Bumback discussed cultural engagement strategies and stakeholder outreach to tribes.

MURRAY-INSLEE DRAFT LOWER SNAKE RIVER DAMS (LSRD) BENEFIT REPLACEMENT REPORT

GM reviewed a summary of the draft report and discussion ensued.

GM REPORT

GM presented the monthly General Manager's Report. Christmas gave kudos to the OPALCO and Rock Island teams for the success of the CODAN public safety radio project. Discussion ensued on the format of future board meetings and the group agreed to continue meeting via Zoom.

Regular session concluded at 10:30 a.m.

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Vince Dauciunas	Brian Silverstein
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