



Orcas Power & Light Cooperative
Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting
Thursday, February 15, 2024

Streaming through Zoom attendees were Board members Vince Dauciunas, Jerry Whitfield, Brian Silverstein, Mark Madsen, Tom Osterman, Chuks Onwuneme, 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) Assistant Communications Manager Krista Bouchey and Head Accountant Travis Neal. Also present were Legal Counsel Joel Paisner, Roger Gray PNGC and consultant Jay Kimball. Members in attendance: Robert Memmott, Heather Nicholson, Jonathan Welch

The meeting commenced at 8:30 a.m.

Member Comment Period: No member comments.

ACTION ITEMS

CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION was made by Struthers to accept the consent agenda, seconded by Silverstein, and passed unanimously by voice vote.

MEMBER SERVICE POLICY 1 – Staff gave a final read to the workplace schedule and related policy change.

MOTION was made by Whitfield to accept the consent agenda, seconded by Madsen, and passed unanimously by voice vote.

BAILER HILL COMMUNITY SOLAR – Staff discussed proposed financial metrics for the Bailer Hill project to prepare for member subscription materials. Discussion ensued.

MOTION was made by Struthers to accept the financial metrics as proposed, seconded by Madsen. Discussion continued. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Regional Power Presentations on Renewable resource mapping, reliability, firming power, land use issues - Discussed PNW regional reliability issues and potential for blackouts, due to lack of resource development (permitting, land use, funding, NIMBYism, etc.). While we support the move to cleaner energy, the industry is not replacing the eliminated firmed generation fast enough.

REPORTS

GM REPORTS – Staff reviewed reports, dashboards, grant and budget tracking, and project updates.



Member Comments: Jonathan Welch announced that he is running for County.

Break: 9:55-10:10

Regular Session ended: 11:23

Executive Session: 11:23 -12:20

Meeting Closed: 12:20

Vince Dauciunas

Vince Dauciunas, President

Brian Silverstein

Brian Silverstein, Secretary-Treasurer

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