

**CORDOVA ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
MAY 26, 2021
MINUTES**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair **Scott Pegau** called the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of Cordova Electric Cooperative to order at 6:00 PM on May 26, 2021.

2. ROLL CALL

Present for roll call were Chair **Pegau** and Directors **Joe Cook, Steve Ranney, Stephen Phillips, Rob Campbell,** and **Kristy Andrew**. Director **Alexis Cooper** was absent. A quorum was present. Also present were CEO, **Clay Koplin**; Manager of Administration and Finance, **Emma Merritt**; Manager of Generation and Distribution, **Scott Newlun**, and Technology Manager, **Trever Kudrna**.

3. MEMBERSHIP PARTICIPATION - none

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

M/Phillips S/Cook to approve the agenda.

M/Pegau S/Phillips to amend the agenda to remove the consent agenda with the Minutes of April 28, 2021 Regular Meeting. Roll call vote on the amendment: Andrew- yes, Phillips-yes, Ranney-yes, Campbell-yes, Cook-yes, Pegau-yes, Cooper-absent. Motion carried.

With no objection, Pegau moved the Executive Session to after Management Reports.

Roll call vote on the main motion: Andrew- yes, Phillips-yes, Ranney-yes, Campbell-yes, Cook-yes, Pegau-yes, Cooper-absent. Motion carried.

**5. ~~CONSENT AGENDA~~ – removed during approval of agenda
a. ~~Minutes of Meeting of April 28, 2021 Meeting~~**

6. MANAGEMENT REPORTS

Koplin gave a high-level presentation of CEC's facilities.

Koplin said that the CoBank Sharing Success is a grant-match program available to non-profits in the community and is up to the board's discretion to award. He said that CEC was getting more new service requests than he would have guessed with the economy. **Koplin** said that he had Rotating Equipment look at Humpback Creek as he thought there could be potential work for them in the future. **Merritt** said that CoBank that said that CEC's forgiveness application for the PPP Loan had been approved. **Merritt** reviewed the administrative reports and answered questions.

11. EXECUTIVE SESSION – moved during approval of agenda

a. IBEW Negotiations (w/attorney) – Reason #1 Financial Matters

M/Phillips S/Cook to go into Executive Session to discuss IBEW negotiations, the immediate knowledge of which would clearly have an adverse effect on the finances of the cooperative. The board went into Executive Session with **Koplin, Merritt, and Stavig** at 6:50 PM and exited at 7:14 PM.

7. NEW BUSINESS

a. Purchase Order #2334 to Project Works NTE \$103,280

M/Cook S/Campbell to approve the contract with ProjectWorks for a not to exceed amount of \$103,280. Roll call vote: Phillips-yes, Ranney-no, Campbell-yes, Cook-yes, Andrew- yes, Pegau-yes, Cooper-absent. Motion carried.

b. Generation Building Foundation NTE \$150,000

Koplin said that the foundation work was going to be more than they anticipated. He said that one of the potential bidders of the project was a related party, which would have to go to the board.

M/Andrew S/Ranney to approve a purchase order for not to exceed amount of \$150,000 for diesel upgrade concrete work to ORC building. Roll call vote: *Ranney*-yes, *Campbell*-yes, *Cook*-yes, *Andrew*-yes, *Phillips*-yes, *Pegau*-yes, *Cooper*-absent. Motion carried.

c. Purchase Order #2333 to Maxim NTE \$65,000

M/Phillips S/Ranney to approve a purchase order for not to exceed \$65,000 to Maxim for new exhaust stacks for cats 5 and 6. Roll call vote: *Campbell*-yes, *Cook*-yes, *Andrew*- yes, *Phillips*-yes, *Ranney*-yes, *Pegau*-yes, *Cooper*-absent. Motion carried.

d. ArKtiKa Contract for Electrify Alaska! Conference

Koplin said that the conference was planned for last year, but it had to get cancelled.

M/Andrew S/Campbell to approve a contract with ArKtiKa for the Electrify Alaska! Conference.

M/Andrew S/Phillips to amend the motion to add “not to exceed \$10,000.” With no objection, amendment passed.

Roll call vote on the main motion: *Cook*-yes, *Andrew*- yes, *Phillips*-yes, *Ranney*-no, *Campbell*-yes, *Pegau*-no, *Cooper*-absent. Motion carried.

e. Set Date for Board/Attorney Training (Special or Regular?)

The board agreed to schedule a Special Meeting for June 16th.

f. Communications Strategy Discussion

The board discussed communications. *Pegau*, *Ranney*, and *Phillips* said they would meet to outline communications priorities.

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS – no discussion or action

- a. **Policy #8C – Organization Policy**
- b. **Policy #9B – Internal Control**

9. INFORMATION ITEMS

- a. **Board attendance at Regular Meetings**

10. OTHER ITEMS – no discussion or action

11. EXECUTIVE SESSION – moved to before agenda item 7.

12. PENDING AGENDA

Merritt said that the Rate Study would likely be completed by July.

13. BOARD PENDING EVENTS CALENDAR

14. SUMMARY OF BOARD DIRECTION TO CEO

- Schedule site visits for board.
- Schedule board/attorney training.

15. BOARD COMMENTS

Phillips thanked the staff and board.

Ranney thanked *Stavig* for being on board and looked forward to working with him.

Cook said it was good talking to the attorney and said it was good to have *Stavig* on board, he hoped *Stavig* would be able to go to APA to meet with the industry.

Pegau thanked staff for getting everything together in the packet. He thought the CEC communication on Facebook was good. He looked forward to working with *Stavig* again.

16. ADJOURNMENT

Pegau called the meeting adjourned at 8:35 PM.

7/28/21

Date Approved

Secretary/Treasurer

