

**CORDOVA ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
AUGUST 25, 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 August 25, 2021.

2. ROLL CALL

Present for roll call were Chair **Pegau** and Directors **Alexis Cooper, Joe Cook, Steve Ranney, Stephen Phillips, Rob Campbell, and Kristy Andrew**. A quorum was present. Also present was CEO, **Clay Koplín**; Manager of Administration and Finance, **Emma Merritt**; Manager of Generation and Distribution, **Scott Newlun**; and Executive Assistant/HR Coordinator, **Leif Stavig**.

3. MEMBERSHIP PARTICIPATION - none

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

M/Phillips S/Campbell to approve the agenda.

Roll call vote: Phillips-yes, Ranney-yes, Andrew-yes, Cooper-yes, Campbell-yes, Cook-yes, Pegau-yes. Motion carried.

5. CONSENT AGENDA

a. Minutes of July 28, 2021 Regular Meeting

M/Phillips S/Campbell to approve the consent agenda. Roll call vote: Ranney-yes, Andrew-yes, Cooper-yes, Campbell-yes, Cook-yes, Phillips-yes, Pegau-yes. Motion carried.

6. MANAGEMENT REPORTS

a. CAT Relocation Project Presentation by Matt Boyd

Matt Boyd, with ProjectWorks Inc. gave a presentation on the CAT Relocation Project.

b. CEO Report

Koplín said he attended both the National Hydropower and the Alaska Power Association conferences last week. He was able to meet with the Secretary of the Department of Energy as well as **Lisa Murkowski**. **Cook** recognized **Barb Bailer's** receipt of the Hatcher-Williams-Turkington Employee Award at the Alaska Power Association conference. **Koplín** reviewed the policy review process and gave a presentation on the strategic plan.

c. Financial Reports

Merritt reviewed the financial reports and answered questions.

7. NEW BUSINESS

a. Purchase Order #2359 to Sheet Metal Inc NTE \$91,000

M/Ranney S/Andrew to approve PO #2359 to Sheet Metal Inc for a not to exceed amount of \$91,000. Roll call vote: Andrew-yes, Cooper-yes, Campbell-yes, Cook-yes, Phillips-yes, Ranney-yes, Pegau-yes. Motion carried.

b. Purchase Order #2360 to Electric Power Systems NTE \$75,000

M/Cook S/Cooper to approve PO #2333 to Maxim for a not to exceed amount of \$93,100. Roll call vote: *Cooper*-yes, *Campbell*-yes, *Cook*-yes, *Phillips*-yes, *Ranney*-yes, *Andrew*-yes, *Pegau*-yes. Motion carried.

c. Insurance Renewal

M/Cook S/Phillips to approve the purchase of insurance coverage from ARECA Insurance Exchange and Parker, Smith & Feek for a total amount not to exceed \$470,000.00. Roll call vote: *Campbell*-yes, *Cook*-yes, *Phillips*-yes, *Ranney*-yes, *Andrew*-yes, *Cooper*-yes, *Pegau*-yes. Motion carried.

d. Policy #12L (Included per Chair Direction)

The board and staff discussed the policy and took no action.

e. Equity Management Plan Review

The board and staff discussed the equity management plan and took no action.

f. Review and Update Strategic Plan

The board and staff discussed the strategic plan and took no action.

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

a. Rate Study Recommendations

M/Cook S/Campbell to direct staff to schedule a Public Hearing in September for the following Tariff changes: 1. Revise the Fuel Surcharge Calculation to collect all fuel expense using quarterly projections and a balancing account. 2. Revise Energy Rates to reflect the Cost-of-Service study, updating class allocations and retaining established rate design. 3. Update Tariff Schedule 600 to reflect avoided cost methodology based on hydro and diesel operations.

M/Pegau S/Ranney to amend the main motion by removing item 3. Roll call vote on amendment: *Cook*-no, *Phillips*-no, *Ranney*-yes, *Andrew*-no, *Cooper*-yes, *Campbell*-no, *Pegau*-yes. Motion failed 3-4. Roll call vote on main motion: *Phillips*-yes, *Ranney*-yes, *Andrew*-yes, *Cooper*-yes, *Campbell*-yes, *Cook*-yes, *Pegau*-yes. Motion carried.

b. Policy Review – Policy #8C – Organization Policy

M/Pegau S/Phillips under Section IIIA, to replace “Statement of Board Objectives and Functions” with “Board Evaluation Criteria.” Roll call vote: *Phillips*-yes, *Ranney*-yes, *Andrew*-yes, *Cooper*-yes, *Campbell*-yes, *Cook*-yes, *Pegau*-yes. Motion carried.

c. Policy Review – Policy #9B – Internal Control

The board and staff discussed the policy and took no action.

9. INFORMATION ITEMS

- a. Board Directors, Officers, and Committees**
- b. Board Attendance at Regular Meetings**

10. OTHER ITEMS

- a. Policy #10G – Check Signing Authority**
- b. Policy #11C – Annual Work Plan and Budget**

The board and staff discussed the policy and took no action.

11. EXECUTIVE SESSION – none.

12. PENDING AGENDA

a. Pending Events Calendar

13. SUMMARY OF BOARD DIRECTION TO CEO - none

14. BOARD COMMENTS

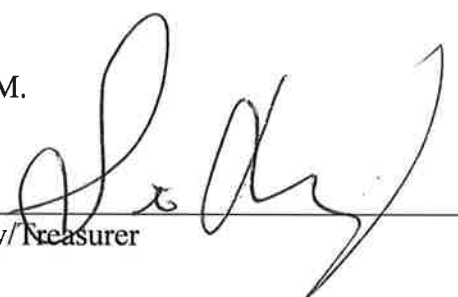
Ranney said that this was not a good meeting and that the argument over policy was not constructive. *Andrew* complimented *Merritt* on answering rate study questions and appreciated the discussion. *Cook* said the Alaska Power Association was different this year. *Stavig* got introduced to a lot of people he will be working with. *Meera Kohler*, who started at CEC, was elected to the NRECA board, which was good for CEC. He thought the meeting was good and advised everyone to keep it reasonable. *Pegau* congratulated *Bailer* for her award and thanked staff for nominating her. He also thanked *Cook* for stepping up with the Alaska Power Association duties.

15. ADJOURNMENT

Pegau called the meeting adjourned at 9:00 PM.

9/22/21

Date Approved



Secretary/Treasurer