

COOS-CURRY ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC.
Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors
July 25, 2024

I. PRELIMINARY

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors of Coos-Curry Electric Cooperative, Inc. (CCEC) was called to order at 10:15 a.m. on Thursday, July 25, 2024, by President Jim Kolen, in the conference room at the CCEC Port Orford office, Port Orford, Oregon.

Director Herzog called roll and stated a quorum was present, including Directors Cockerham, Kolen, Loshbaugh, McMahan, Radabaugh and Robison. Also present were Chief Executive Officer (GM/CEO) Brent Bischoff, Chief Financial Officer (CFO) Paul Keeler, Marketing & Member Services Manager (MMSM) Keith Buchhalter, and Executive Assistant (EA) Marie Coleman. General Legal Counsel Tyler Pepple was in attendance via Webex video conference.

A motion was made and seconded to approve, as presented, the regular Board meeting agenda and the motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made and seconded to approve, as presented, the minutes of the June 27, 2024, regular meeting of the Board of Directors. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made and seconded to approve, as presented, the minutes of the June 27, 2024, annual meeting of the Board of Directors. The motion carried unanimously.

II. MEMBER PARTICIPATION

A. Member Attendance and Open Comment Period

Members Mark Nast and Camie Waggoner and visitor Abbie DeShone were in attendance. Camie Waggoner addressed the board with the following comment:

- She expressed her appreciation for her daughter receiving the opportunity to represent CCEC as the NRECA Youth Tour Delegate and added what a wonderful program it is.

B. Member Request to Present

No members requested to present to the board.

III. CONSENT AGENDA

A motion was made and seconded to approve Items A through E under the consent agenda, to-wit: the list of new members for 06/2024; the members purge list for 07/2024, the write off report for 06/2024, the GM/CEO's & Directors' expenses for 06/2024, and the attorney's invoice. The motion carried unanimously.

V. ITEMS OF BUSINESS

A. NRECA Washington DC Youth Tour Presentation CCEC Delegate Sahara Sankoh (10:00 am)

Ms. Sahara Sankoh gave a presentation to the board about her experiences during her trip on the NRECA Washington DC Youth Tour. She thanked the board for the opportunity she was given to attend.

Sahara Sankoh, Camie Waggoner and Abbie DeShone departed the meeting at 10:41 a.m.

IV. MANAGER'S REPORT

CFO Keeler reviewed the Financial Report for June 2024. Operating revenues year to date through June are \$669K under budget and \$189K lower than the prior year to date. The year-to-date cost of purchased power is \$543K under budget and \$1.2M lower than the prior year to date. As of June 30, 2024, equity as a percentage of total assets was 46.17%. kWh sold to consumers and used by CCEC for June 2024 are 3.16% lower than the June 2023 sales. Year-to-date net margins are lower than budgeted and lower than the prior year to date.

The July safety report was reviewed. The July all employee training topics were CPR, AED, BBP and First Aid. There have been no internal incidents since the June report.

The Q2-2024 outage report was reviewed. The average member's power is on 99.99% of the time excluding major event days and power supplier outages. There were

no major event days this quarter. As part of the Wildfire Mitigation Plan, system protection devices have been programmed with more sensitive settings. These more sensitive settings in conjunction with the requirement for crews to patrol lines before re-energizing them may result in more frequent and longer duration outages than CCEC typically experiences during the fire season months.

The Q2-2024 tree trimming report was reviewed. Tree trimming YTD has been aggressive resulting in good progress but also over budget YTD. CCEC averaged a 1.5% decrease in ROW clearing compared to the 5-year Q2 average.

The CCECF report was reviewed. The Dolly Parton Imagination Library enrollment fell to 49.17% of Curry County children ages 0-5. A Financial Peace University (FPU) northern class will be offered later this year. Mark Duvall will be the facilitator. CCECF hosted a STEM fair May 24, 2024, at the Port Orford district office from 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. Approximately 20 students from Bandon participated and students from a Brookings school attended as a field trip but did not enter projects. Directors Loshbaugh and Robison served as judges. CCECF will be collaborating with the Sixes River Fire Auxiliary to support their Hometown Heroes Fair & 5K Walk/Run fundraiser in place of hosting the annual Safety Expo.

GM/CEO Bischoff gave his CEO Report. Topics included wholesale power, the power system, grant opportunities, community, and personnel.

GM/CEO Bischoff reviewed the current Strategic Plan Action Matrix of staff goals. Current updates are noted in the document showing progress as staff works through specific projects that support the strategic plan. A board member asked about the electric vehicles (EV's) pilot project. MMSM Buchhalter will compile a report for the board on what we have learned to date from the EV pilot project.

V. ITEMS OF BUSINESS (cont.)

A. CCEC Equity Investment in BBI

CFO Keeler presented to the board possible options that could reduce Beacon's financial burden, such as interest charges and repayment obligation, related to the note payable to Coos-Curry Electric in a manner that does not

result in a financial loss or negative impact to the cooperative. The history, activity and balance, current situation, proforma financial statements, and other considerations and questions were discussed. Management recommended that CCEC invest \$20M in Beacon Broadband through a conversion of the note receivable from Beacon Broadband into an equity investment in Beacon Broadband.

Staff presented Resolution 2024-07 CCEC BBI Equity Contribution to transition a \$20M note receivable into an equity investment in the subsidiary. A motion was made and seconded to adopt Resolution 2024-07 as presented, and discussion followed. A vote was had, and the motion carried with 1 against (Cockerham).

B. BBI Authorized Borrowing

Discussed in conjunction with the previous item.

C. Proposed Service Point Repairs Loan Program

MMSM Buchhalter presented a service point repairs loan program to the board. Topics included addressing member needs & safety, pilot program goals, program overview, application requirements, loan disbursement, default procedures, budget, timeline, and conclusion. Following discussion, a motion was made and seconded to approve the Service Point Repairs Loan Program. After continued discussion, a vote was had, and the motion carried.

Georgia Cockerham departed the meeting at 12:11 p.m.

D. Member Information Request Follow Up – Mark Nast

Mark Nast previously requested a copy of the external audit report for Year End 2023. CFO Keeler spoke with our auditors who advised we invite Mr. Nast to review a hard copy of the 2023 audited financial statements in our office. No copies of the audit report, electronic, photocopied, or photographed will be provided or allowed. CFO Keeler will coordinate with Mr. Nast to schedule a visit.

E. NRECA Washington DC Youth Tour Presentation CCEC Delegate Sahara Sankoh (10:00 am)

This was presented earlier in the meeting.

F. 2024 Annual Meeting Follow Up

The board reviewed the 2024 annual meeting of members draft minutes and requested more detail on the 2024 member comments during approval of the 2022 and 2023 annual meeting of members minutes. Staff will present an amended version for review at the August board meeting.

MMSM Buchhalter presented a process for tracking questions and responses to members from annual meetings. The board supported the process and asked for further update on the 2023 questions to be presented at the August board meeting.

G. Annual Meeting 2025- Budget and Vision

Executive Assistant Coleman asked the board for their vision of the 2025 Annual Meeting of Members for planning and budget purposes and provided 3 options for consideration. The board elected to provide a Satellite Meeting for 2025. The annual meeting of members will be held in the boardroom in Port Orford and all district offices will open their local conference rooms for members to attend through Webex, allowing members the ability to comment and participate virtually. The goal is increased member participation.

H. Updated Wildfire Mitigation Plan

GM/CEO Bischoff outlined the Public Safety Power Shutoff (PSPS) Plan updates to the existing wildfire mitigation plan, as discussed in detail at the June meeting. A motion was made and seconded to approve the wildfire mitigation plan as amended, and the motion carried.

I. PNGC Director Nominations

Proposed Resolution 2024-08 PNGC Director Nomination appoints GM/CEO Brent Bischoff as a director of Pacific Northwest Generating Cooperative (PNGC). A motion was made to adopt Resolution 2024-08, the motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

A motion was made and seconded to designate GM/CEO Bischoff as the PNGC primary membership representative and designate Director McMahan as the alternate for voting purposes at PNGC membership meetings. A vote was had and the motion carried.

J. Open Discussion

No topics for discussion.

K. Miscellaneous

1. ORECA Mid-Year Meeting Update – GM/CEO Bischoff and Director Radabaugh attended. Director Radabaugh provided updates from the meeting.

2. NRECA Voting Delegate – Current delegate is Director Loshbaugh with GM/CEO Bischoff as the alternate. No one is planning to attend the NRECA Region 7 & 9 meeting so no change was made.

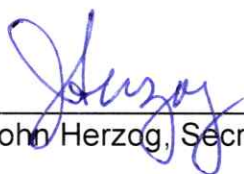
VI. EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Board went into an executive session at 1:09 p.m. to discuss member issues, contract matters and employee issues. The regular meeting reconvened at 1:24 p.m.

VII. ADJOURN

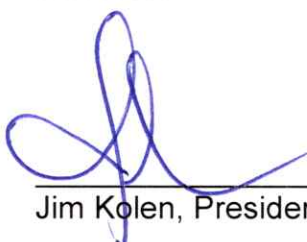
The next regular meeting of the Board of Directors is scheduled for Tuesday, August 27, 2024, at CCEC's office in Port Orford, Oregon.

The meeting adjourned at 1:25 p.m.



John Herzog, Secretary

ATTEST:



Jim Kolen, President