



TEC July Board of Directors Meeting

Minutes (Draft)

07/16/2024 | 03:00 PM - 06:33 PM

TEC Administration Office

45715 SE 140th St. North Bend, Washington

Attendees (13)

Kevin Burns; Nick Himebauch; Malcolm Lybeck; Marc McElney; David McGoldrick; Joel Merkel; Kristina Michael; Steve Nicholes; Carol Paschal; Lisa Peabody; John Saatela; Dutch Siedentopf; Steven Walter.

Roger Guay was absent and excused from the meeting.

Call to Order

The Board of Directors of Tanner Electric Cooperative (TEC) met in Regular Session at 3:00 p.m. on Tuesday, July 16, 2024, in the TEC Boardroom at 45715 SE 140th Street, North Bend, Washington. Board President Malcolm Lybeck called the TEC July Board of Directors meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

1. Roll Call and Establish a Quorum

Board President Lybeck took roll call, and a quorum was present.

2. Approve the TEC Board Meeting Agenda for July 16, 2024

ACTION: Motion to approve the TEC Board meeting agenda for July 16, 2024. The motion was seconded and passed by a unanimous voice vote. (Assignee(s): Kristina Michael, Carol Paschal.

Guest Speakers

1. TEC Cost of Service Analysis Presentation by CFC

Jefferson Choti -Manager, Utility Pricing, Policy & Analytics

Helen Marshall–Senior Rate Analyst, Utility Pricing, Policy & Analytics

Regular Business

1. Approve the Consent Agenda

ACTION: Motion to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion was seconded and passed by a unanimous voice vote. (Assignee(s): Steve Nicholes, Kristina Michael.

Reports

1. Financial Review

- a. Balance Sheet
- b. May 2024 Income Statement
- c. June 2024 Revenue Statement
- d. June 2024 YTD Sales By Class

ACTION: Motion to receive and file the financial reports submitted by the Director of Finance, Mr. Burns. The motion was seconded and passed by a unanimous voice vote. (Assignee(s): Dutch Siedentopf, David McGoldrick.

2. Low Income Housing Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) & Grant Writing

The Washington Families Clean Energy Credits Program, supported by \$150 million from the state Climate Commitment Act, will assist low- and moderate-income households with the clean energy transition. The Department of Commerce will distribute grants to all electric utilities in Washington that serve residential customers, enabling them to pass on \$200 bill credits to eligible customer accounts by September 15, 2024. The Department of Commerce allocated funds based on the total number of residential customers served by an electric company and the following three criteria, weighted equally, to determine each utility's final grant allocation:

1. Utility service areas that are situated in locations experiencing disproportionate environmental health disparities, according to the Washington Environmental Health Disparities Map
2. American Community Survey poverty data
3. Energy burden data from the U.S. Department of Energy

3. CEO Report

Mr. Walter provided an update on the following topics:

- a. Future Annual Meeting Options - Go virtual or continue in-person gatherings.
- b. TEC Bylaw Revision Progress
- c. Beta EV Telematics - TEC will partner with the National Rural Telecommunications Cooperative (NRTC) and participate in this project.

- d. WRECA Executive Action Update
- e. BPA Preliminary Rate Forecast
- f. Federated Insurance - TEC Annual Review Meeting
- g. Grant Funding Kickoff Meeting

4. Director of Operations Report

Mr. Himebauch submitted a written report to the Board as an attachment to the meeting agenda and updated them on the progress of the current capital projects and safety training.

5. Committee Reports

a. Finance & Audit

Committee Chair Carol Paschal and the committee will meet next month on Aug 20th to start working on the 2025 budget.

b. Personnel

Committee Chair Malcolm Lybeck discussed the different consulting options available to the committee for the CEO compensation and performance review. A recommendation was made to the Board and voted on.

ACTION: Motion: To approve using both Archbright HR resources and the NRECA compensation consulting service for the CEO compensation and performance review. (Assignee(s): Malcolm Lybeck, Carol Paschal; Due Date: 07/16/2024)

c. Youth Development

Committee Chair Dutch Siedentopf talked about the TEC scholarships and will be working with staff to schedule a committee meeting for September.

d. General Counsel's Report

Attorney Joel Merkel had nothing new to report regarding the King County Right of Way Ordinance 18403.

e. Area Director Reports

Each Director was asked to report on any significant activities in their areas.

Unfinished Business

1. Policy Review – 469 Prepaid Metering

Due to time constraints, this agenda item was tabled until the August Board meeting to allow the staff and the TEC General Counsel more time to review the proposed revisions to this policy.

New Business

There was no new business to discuss.

Adjourn Meeting

Having no further business, the Board President, Mr. Lybeck, adjourned the TEC July 16, 2024, Board of Directors meeting at 6:33 p.m.

Executive Session

Board President Mr. Lybeck convened an executive session following the TEC Board meeting on July 16, 2024.