REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES 1 MARCH 2022

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A. CALL TO ORDER

1. The Regular Monthly Board Meeting of Bristol Bay Telephone Cooperative, Inc. was called to order by Board President Courtney Hoiby at 6:08 PM

B. ROLL CALL

1. Individuals attending the meeting included Directors Courtney Hoiby, Riel Anderson, Michael Swain Jr, Matthew "Matt" Niedermeyer, and Nick Holmes. Also in attendance were Interim General Manager/ CEO Earl Hubb, Employee Ashlie Anderson, and Ray Schindler from TCA. David "Buck" Williams was absent.

C. PREVIOUS MINUTES

1. Regular Board Meeting Minutes dated 1 February 2022 - Matt Niedermeyer moved to approve the board meeting minutes. Motion seconded by Riel Anderson. Motion passed unanimously.

D. CORRESPONDENCE

1. Trouble Tickets - Courtney mentioned that Karl must have his work cut out seeing all the cable TV issues.

E. MANAGER'S REPORT

- 1. Manager's Report- Submitted and presented. Earl mentioned that the cable tv equipment was being dried out with rice. Earl discussed the Capital Budget and possible workshop to look at the Capital Budget. Matt mentioned to take time to get all information necessary together. Earl discussed the need for replacement servers and the cost involved. Michael asked if the need for the servers can wait for the Regular April meeting or if this item would need to be included in the current meeting. Riel mentioned that it sounds like something that should be included in this current meeting. Courtney would like the capital budget to be ready and discussed sooner rather than later. Nick agreed that the sooner the better on the capital budget. Courtney mentioned to add to the additions to the agenda. Earl discussed the GCI DIA project tower completion, the LEO Project, AT&T relocation, and architect, and more funding opportunities. Matt asked about the DIA project and when it will be operational and if we have rate packages. Earl explained that it sounds like April and that he is working with TCA on the rate structures. Riel explained that the Naknek village council should be getting the letter to us for the USDA funding soon.
- 2. Plant Manager's Report was submitted.

F. ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

- 1. Matt motioned to add item 2 under New Business Server Replacement. Motion was seconded by Riel. Motion passed unanimously.
- 2. Nick mentioned the possible addition of Ray Apokedak as the Kvichak District

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Director. Courtney discussed the need to wait until the April Regular meeting.

G. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

1. None

H. OLD BUSINESS

- BCI- Matt asked about customer leaving, Earl talked about customers calling Dish Network to start process of getting service and he wanted to speak to Microcom about a possible rate reduction during the phase out period. Earl mentioned calling Satellite Alaska and talking to them about an increase in their customer base and possible costs to customers. Matt and Riel in agreement to add to a possible newsletter to go out in the billing statements or via the Bristol Bay Exchange. Michael discussed the conversations he has had with customers and their future options.
- 2. BBC Lease- informational draft agreement discussed.
- 3. DIA GCI Agreement- Earl discussed possible inquiries about GCI data management. Matt asked about if this would need to go to the state or the RCA. Riel mentions the possible upcoming meeting with GCI and discuss data management with GCI at that time. All Directors agreed on possible inquiries.
- **4.** AT&T Lease- Earl discussed in his report. Discussed AT&T plant moving across the road as well as architect stage and quote from contractor.

I. NEW BUSINESS

- 1. 2022 Capital Budget- Courtney mentions that this will need to be skipped until next month's meeting. Michael and Matt mentioned a possible special meeting or workshop.
- 2. Server Replacement- Matt motioned to authorize Earl to purchase the replacement servers in the amount of up to \$130,000.00, Riel Seconded. Motion passed unanimously. Michael asked about shipping costs. Nick asked about the total covering both replacement servers and if they will get us through the year. Earl confirmed that the servers will get us through the next 10 years he also explained that the 2 servers would replace the 12 obsolete servers.

J. CHECK REGISTERS

1. Michael motioned to approve all the check registers; Riel seconded. **Motion passed unanimously.** Courtney questioned a charge labeled "textmagic.com". Earl said that he would follow up.

K. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1. Michael motioned to approve all the financial statements; Nick seconded. Motion Passed unanimously. Matt asked about Airline miles.

L. EXECUTIVE SESSION

 Michael motioned to enter Executive Session to discuss matters of which the immediate knowledge of which could have adverse financial implications to the Cooperative. Motion was seconded by Matt. Motion Passed unanimously. Entered Executive session at 7:02 PM and returned to the Regular Meeting at 7:11 PM with no action taken.

M. DIRECTOR'S COMMENTS

1. None.

N. ADJOURNMENT

1. Michael motioned to adjourn the meeting; Nick seconded. Motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 7:13 PM.