**Community Renewable Energy Association**

**CREA Annual Meeting**

**Minutes of the Executive Committee**

**Date:** 11.16.21

**Time:** 10:00am - 1:00pm

**Location:** Video Conference via Zoom (+ LIVE)

**Executive Board Members Present:** Executive Chair Les Perkins (Farmers Irrigation Dist./Hood River Co. Commissioner), Judge Joe Dabulskis (Sherman Co.), Mayor Steve Uffelman (City of Prineville), Patrick Shannon (Gilliam Co.), Melissa Lindsay (Morrow Co.)

**Executive Board Active Alternate Members Present:** David Brown (Obsidian Renewables/Alt for Don Coats),

**Staff Present:** Executive Director Mike McArthur, Legal Counsel Rob Bovett, Mallorie Roberts (AOC), Amanda Dalton (Dalton Advocacy), Tess Milio (Dalton Advocacy), Devon Guyer (CREA Law Inter), Sonja Carey (Admin Support)

**Presenters Present:** John Cromwell (Oregon Department of Energy: ODOE), Oriana Magnera (VERDE NW), Sarah Reif (Oregon Fish & Wildlife: ODFW), Diane Brandt (Renewable NW)

**Others Present:** Doug Frazier (Horsepower consulting/Alt for Steve Uffelman), Jim Hamsher (Grant Co.), Peter Runnels (Harney Co.), Lianne Thompson (Clatsop Co.), John Hillock (Wallowa Co.), Will Tucker (Linn Co.), Dan Joyce (Malheur Co.), Bruce Nichols (Baker Co.), Steve Kramer (Wasco Co.), Paul Stern (NewSun), Henry Heimuller (Columbia Co.), James Williams (Lake Co.), Jake Stephens (NewSun Energy), Nick Johnson (Lake County Resources Initiative: LCRI), Jim Walls (LCRI), Amy berg Picket (Oregon Solar & Storage Industries Association: OSSIA), Patty Dorroh (Harney Co.), Commissioner Kevin Cameron (Marion Co.), Marie Barlow (NewSun Energy), Mae Hutson (Jefferson Co.), Dawson Quinten (Rep. Smith), Roy Rogers (WA Co.), Jerry Wiley WA. Co.)

Polk County reps?

**Recording Minutes:** Sonja Carey

**Documents**

Agenda for CREA Annual Meeting, November 16, 2021

Draft Minutes of Annual Meeting: November 17, 2020

CREA Financial Review/Audit

Condon Chamber of Commerce Application

CREA Executive Committee Ballots

**Call to Order**

Executive Board Chair, Les Perkins called the meeting to order and presided over events of the meeting. Introductions were made around the room. Chair Perkins called for any items not on the agenda to be included. No items were presented.

**Business Meeting**

Chair Perkins resided over the business meeting portion of the meeting.

**Business Meeting**

**Minutes of Annual Meeting of November 17, 2020**

**Motion:** Approve Minutes of Annual Meeting of November 17, 2020.

Made by: Commissioner Lianne Thompson

Seconded: Steve Uffelman

**Moved:** Unanimously

**Financial Fiscal Year Review/Audit: June 30, 2021**

**Motion:** Approve financials for month of October

Made by: Commissioner Lianne Thompson

Seconded: Mayor Steve Uffelman

**Moved:** Unanimously

**Executive Committee Elections**

Chair Perkins presented a slate of CREA Executive Committee members with 2 year terms of their positions ending, nominated for re-election. The slate showed Commissioner Les Perkins (CREA Chair), Don Russel (Morrow Co.), Steve Uffelman (City of Prineville) to be considered for re-election to Executive Committee

Chair Perkins opened the floor for any additional nominations not presented on the slate. No additional nominations were suggested.

**Motion:** Approve the slate of CREA Executive Committee members

Made by: Commissioner Lianne Thompson

Seconded: Steve Uffelman

**Moved:** Unanimously

**Join Condon Chamber of Commerce**

Chair Perkins and Executive Director McArthur presented the option for CREA to become a member of the City of Condon Chamber of Commerce. Discussion ensued re: opening the door for CREA to join other Chambers of Commerce on an individual basis, going forward.

**Motion:** Join Condon Chamber of Commerce while opening the door to join other chambers of commerce, to be considered on a case by case basis.

Made by: David Brown (Alternate for Don Coats)

Seconded: Commissioner Steve Kramer

Opposed: Commissioner Melissa Lindsay

**Moved:** By majority

**Small Scale RE Study**

John Cromwell, Sr. Energy Policy Analyst for Oregon Department of Energy (ODOE) gave a presentation on ODOE’s Small-Scale Renewable Energy Study.

**ODFW Siting Guidelines**

Sarah Reif, Energy Coordinator for Oregon Department of Fish & Wildlife (ODFW) gave a presentation on ODFW’s siting guidelines.

**RTO Study Workgroup**

Oriana Magnera of VERDE NW, gave a presentation on the Regional Transmission Organization (RTO) Study Workgroup.

**Renewable NW Activities**

Diane Brandt, Oregon Policy Manager for Renewable NW gave a presentation on the latest activities of Renewable NW.

**Legislative Update**

Amanda Dalton of Dalton Advocacy and Mallorie Roberts, Association of Oregon Counties (AOC) gave a legislative update.

**Adjourn**

Chair Perkins adjourned the meeting at 1pm.