

Butte Choice Energy Authority

MINUTES

MAY 11, 2020

1. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order at 326 Huss Lane, Suite 100, Chico, California.

Present: Debra Lucero, Butte County Board of Supervisor, District 2
Alex Brown, Chico City Council, Vice Mayor
Scott Huber, Chico City Council
Doug Teeter, Butte County Board of Supervisor, District 5
Brian Ring, Interim Executive Director
Erik Gustafson, Interim Executive Director
Harriet Steiner, General Counsel
Ashley Snyder, Interim Clerk of the Board

CLERK'S NOTE: PURSUANT TO EXECUTIVE ORDER N-29-20 ON MARCH 17, 2020, RELATING TO THE CONVENING OF PUBLIC MEETINGS IN RESPONSE TO THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC, ALL MEMBERS OF THE BUTTE CHOICE ENERGY AUTHORITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS AS WELL AS THE BOARD'S GENERAL COUNSEL APPEARED TELEPHONICALLY AND PARTICIPATED IN THE MEETING TO THE SAME EXTENT AS IF THEY WERE PERSONALLY PRESENT. PURSUANT TO THE EXECUTIVE ORDER, AND TO MAINTAIN THE SOCIAL DISTANCING REQUIRED BY THE GOVERNOR'S SHELTER-IN-PLACE, THE CHAMBERS WERE CLOSED TO MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC AND THE MEETING WAS LIVESTREAMED. MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WERE ABLE TO SUBMIT PUBLIC COMMENT VIA EMAIL TO BUTTECHOICEENERGYCOB@BUTTECOUNTY.NET.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

PUBLIC COMMENT WAS OPENED AND CLOSED WITHOUT ANY SPEAKERS.

3. CONSENT AGENDA

**MOTION: APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA.
(MOTION: HUBER; SECOND: BROWN)**

**VOTE: MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY
AYES: BROWN, HUBER, TEETER, AND LUCERO
NAYS: NONE**

- a. Minutes from March 9, 2020 Board Meeting
Board Action: Approved the Minutes from the April 13, 2020 Board Meeting

4. REGULAR AGENDA

a. Operations and Administration Report from Interim Executive Officer

Interim Executive Officers Brian Ring and Erik Gustafson provided updates on various operational and administrative activities with respect to the implementation of BCE.

Public comment was opened and closed without any speakers.

Board Action: Received for information.

b. Discussion Regarding BCE Office Space

Interim Executive Officers Brian Ring and Erik Gustafson provided a report for the Board.

Public comment was opened and closed without any speakers.

Board Action: Directed staff to research both government-owned and privately-owned locations for BCE and provide a report at a future meeting.

c. Adopt Resolution Approving Delegation of Authority to Chief Executive Officer for Regulator and Legislative Matters

Gary Saleba, President / CEO, EES Consulting, Inc., addressed questions from the Board.

Public comment was opened and closed without any speakers.

**MOTION: ADOPT RESOLUTION ADOPTING A POLICY TO DELEGATE AUTHORITY TO THE CHIEF / INTERIM EXECUTIVE OFFICER ON REGULATORY AND LEGISLATIVE MATTERS IMPACTING BCEA MISSION AND OPERATIONS.
(MOTION: BROWN; SECOND: LUCERO)**

**VOTE: MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY
AYES: BROWN, HUBER, TEETER, AND LUCERO
NAYS: NONE**

d. Policy Discussion Regarding Communities Wishing to Join BCEA

Interim Executive Officer Brian Ring; Gary Saleba, President / CEO, EES Consulting, Inc.; and Ryan Baron, General Counsel, provided a report for the Board.

Public comment was opened and closed without any speakers.

Board Action: Directed staff to make edits to draft policy to include actual costs associated with feasibility analyses and other potential costs associated with the addition of an agency.

e. Board Member and Staff Announcements

None

5. CLOSED SESSION

HARRIET STEINER, GENERAL COUNSEL, READ THE CLOSED SESSION AGENDA INTO THE RECORD.

Conference with Labor Negotiators

Agency designated representatives: Brian Ring and Erik Gustafson, BCEA Interim Chief Executives; Shawn Marshall, LEAN Energy US; Jamie Cannon, City of Chico; Harriet Steiner, BB&K/General Counsel to BCEA.

Unrepresented employee: Chief Executive Officer

*There were no announcements out of Closed Session.

There being no further business before the Butte Choice Energy Authority, the meeting adjourned. The Butte Choice Energy Authority will reconvene at the next regular meeting, scheduled for June 8, 2020.

ATTEST:

Ashley Snyder

Interim Secretary and

Interim Clerk of the Board

Debra Lucero, Chair

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