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**Northwest Communications Union District
Executive Committee Regular Meeting
January 22, 2025, at 10:00am
Hybrid Meeting**

Attendance

Mary Kay Raymond (Ops PM), Chasidy Benjamin (Admin, Clerk), Zachary Burdick (Georgia, Chair), Cathy Ainsworth (Fairfield, Vice Chair), Matthew Stebbins (Sheldon, Member at Large), Stu McGowan (Alburgh, Member at Large), Denise Sullivan (Treasurer)

Call to Order, Roll Call, Adjustments to Agenda

Chair Z. Burdick called the meeting to order at 10:08am, a roll call was conducted, and a quorum was present to conduct business. There were no adjustments to the agenda.

Public Comment

No members of the public present, therefore no public comment.

Approval of Minutes 01/08/25

Z. Burdick motioned to approve 01/08/25 minutes. S. McGowan seconded. Motion carried.

Financial Review

D. Sullivan stated that we are able to meet our obligations when due and we are proceeding with a construction plan. D. Sullivan stated we are seeking a motion to go into Executive Session under the provisions of 1 VSA §313 with consultants, staff and executive committee members to discuss financial updates finding that premature disclosure could substantially disadvantage the CUD if it were to be made public at this time.

C. Ainsworth motioned to enter Executive Session. S. McGowan seconded. Motion carried.

Z. Burdick reported that the group had a discussion regarding Financial Review details but noted that no action was taken in Executive Session other than to end Executive Session.

Banking

D. Sullivan stated that we are hitting some electronic payment limitations with our current bank, therefore we are looking into other options. Key Bank is most notable as far as rates are concerned, and though we do not like leaving a local bank, there could be a better fit for us at this time. D. Sullivan will compile a comparison of banks showing their rates and other factors to consider and bring that proposal to the next Executive meeting for a decision to be made.

A brief discussion took place, and the Executive Committee agreed with Denise and thanked her for bringing this forward and doing the research.

Operational Update

Z. Burdick motioned to enter Executive Session including NWFx Staff to review further Operational Update details whereas premature general public knowledge regarding the related Operational Update details would clearly place the public body, or a person involved at a substantial disadvantage. M. Stebbins seconded. Motion carried.

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51 **Other Business**

52 Z. Burdick gave a reminder of our quarterly Governing Board meeting Thursday January 23, 2024 at
53 6pm.

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55 **Adjourn**

56 *Z. Burdick motioned to adjourn. C. Ainsworth seconded. Motion carried.*

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58 Meeting adjourned at 10:40am.

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