

# Minutes of Regular Board Meeting March 14, 2023

### **Attending:**

RANA Board: Leslie Straughan, Matt Fitzgerald, Robert Day, Jason Melvin, Ron Cash (absent)

Advisory Members: Valeri Jacoutot (Secretary), Mr. Saacke (Treasurer)- absent, Neil Hardesty

#### Others:

Mr. Fitzgerald called the meeting of the RANA Board to order at 2:00 PM noting that a quorum existed with four members present.

#### **Approval of Minutes:**

Ms. Straughan moved to approve the minutes of the February meeting. Mr. Day seconded the motion. The motion passed with four members in consent.

Ms. Straughan: Yes; Mr. Melvin: Yes; Mr. Day: Yes; Mr. Fitzgerald: Yes, Mr. Cash: A

### Treasurer's Report:

Discussion of the treasurer's report was deferred to the April meeting due to Mr. Saacke's absence.

# **Operations Report:**

Ms. Jacoutot reviewed the operators report submitted by Wide Open Networks.

Ms. Jacoutot reported on a generator issue and upcoming repair to address it.

Ms. Jacoutot reported that the CMS network management server is old and needs to be replaced.

#### **Outside Plant:**

Mr. Hardesty reviewed outside plant activities. Mr. Hardesty advised the board that Miss Utility is increasing prices on July 1 by 5 cents per locate and again on January 1 by an additional 5 cents. Mr. Hardesty and Mr. Dan Grim adjusted the locate tolerance for RANA fiber which will result in RANA having fewer located. This in turn, will lessen the impact of the price increase. This tolerance adjustment will not increase the likelihood of RANA fiber being cut since the tolerance was wider than it needed to be.

Ms. Jacoutot informed the board that the rectifiers in RANA cabinets are obsolete and are no longer supported by the manufacturer. Ms. Jacoutot has requested a vendor proposal to upgrade the rectifiers.

### **Old Business**

Mr. Day requested an update on the status of revised easements for the RANA fiber cabinets due to slight discrepancies between the as-builts and filed easements. Jacoutot noted that the project to update the easement maps is in progress.

Ms. Jacoutot reviewed status of the legal case for the Kendal fiber cut.

New Business:		
	The meeting adjourned at 2:45 PM. The next r April 11, 2023.	egular meeting of the RANA Board is Tuesday,
Appro	oved:	
	Valeri Jacoutot, Secretary	Matthew Fitzgerald, Chairman