CORDOVA ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE PUBLIC HEARING FEBRUARY 26, 2025 MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair *Joe Cook* called the Public Hearing of the Board of Directors of Cordova Electric Cooperative to order at 6:00 PM on February 26, 2025.

2. ROLL CALL

Present for roll call were Chair *Cook* and Directors *Steve Ranney, Stephen Phillips, Rob Campbell, Andrew Smallwood, Natasha Casciano*, and *Lynnette (Lohse) Wright*. A quorum was present. Also present was Chief Executive Officer, *Clay Koplin*, Manager of Finance, *Emma Merritt*, Manager of Generation, *Russell Goss*, and Manager of Technology, *Trever Kudrna*.

3. STAFF PRESENTATION ON PROPOSED TARIFF REVISIONS

Koplin and Merritt gave a presentation on the proposed Tariff revisions.

4. PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED TARIFF REVISIONS

Alex Russin, superintendent of the Cordova School District, said the school district has no way to generate revenue. The rate increase the previous year happened during the middle of their budget year. The proposed rate increase could mean the cost of a support position at the school.

Janice Warga, asked if the battery was helping CEC. Koplin explained how it tied into CEC's operations. Warga asked if there was any way to lower the rate increase.

Ranney said he had been getting questions about higher bills in January. **Merritt** explained that it was due to the high fuel surcharge; however it was the lowest first quarter fuel surcharge in a while.

Tamara Russin said it appeared like CEC was trying to prepare for the future with the rate increases. **Merritt** said there was a portion of the rate increase that would help with the following year's revenue, which would alleviate the need for a larger increase in that year.

| 5. ADJOURNMENT With no objection, meeting adj | ourned at 6:23 PM. | | 1 1 |
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