

MINUTES OF THE 2024 ANNUAL MEETING OF THE MEMBERS
OF SURRY TELEPHONE MEMBERSHIP CORPORATION

The 2024 annual meeting of the members of Surry Telephone Membership Corporation was held at Surry Central High School Gymnasium, Dobson, North Carolina on Saturday, March 16, 2024. Registration and balloting for directors began at 7:30 am and ended at 9:30 am. The 2024 annual meeting began at 9:30 a.m.

Chief Executive Officer, Richie Parker, welcomed all the members to 67th Annual Meeting of Surry Telephone Membership Corporation. CEO Parker led the members in the Pledge of Allegiance. CEO Parker then asked Mr. Noah Brown to give the invocation.

CEO Parker then invited representatives of Carolina West Wireless to come forward to draw for winners of an Apple Watch and an Apple iPad donated by Carolina West.

Ms. Melanie Senter then drew the name of a five and under winner of the Peddle Tractor.

The next order of business was the introduction of the current Board of Directors of Surry Telephone Membership Corporation.

CEO Parker then turned the meeting over to Board President Chris Younger to conduct the annual business meeting. Mr. Younger called upon Secretary/Treasurer Ronnie Griggs for a report on attendance.

Mr. Griggs reported that as of 5:00 o'clock pm Friday, March 15, 2024, there were 10,848 active members of the cooperative. At 9:30 pm today, 195 of these members had registered in person for the meeting. Secretary Griggs further announced that more than 1/2 of 1 % of the membership had registered for the meeting.

Mr. Younger declared that a quorum of the members was present, and he called the 67th annual business meeting to order.

Mr. Younger presented the official notice of meeting and the proof of mailing of this notice provided by the United States Post Office.

President Younger pointed out that the minutes of the Annual Meeting of Surry Telephone Membership Corporation held on June 3, 2023, have been previously approved by the Board of Directors of Surry Telephone and that a copy of these minutes are available. A Motion was made and seconded to dispense with the reading of these minutes, and to approve the minutes of the June 3, 2023, Annual Meeting of the Members. This motion passed.

President Younger noted that the Treasurer's Report was printed and had been passed out at registration. He gave a summary of that report.

President Younger called on CEO Richie Parker for the CEO's Annual Report. CEO Parker recognized special guests and others attending the annual meeting and gave the CEO's Annual Report.

President Younger asked for a motion to file the Treasurer's and the CEO's Annual Report with the minutes of this meeting. This motion was made, seconded and unanimously passed.

President Younger called upon General Counsel Raymond Parker to conduct the election of directors.

Attorney Parker called Mr. Van Tucker, Chairman of the Nominating Committee, to give the 2024 Nominating Committee Report. Mr. Tucker introduced the Nominating Committee and gave a summary of the committee's meeting. Chairman Tucker reported that the committee had nominated as directors of Surry Telephone Membership Corporation the following for three-year terms: Mr. Joe Atkins and Mr. Keith Cooke from the Beulah Exchange; Mr. Chad Bullington from the Shoals Exchange, and Mr. Ronnie Griggs from the Churchland Exchange. Chairman Tucker announced that there had been no nominations made by petition. He further noted that ballots had been cast prior to the meeting to choose a Director from the Beulah Exchange. He pointed out that nominees Chad Bullington and Ronnie Griggs were running unopposed. On behalf of the Committee, Mr. Tucker then made a motion that Mr. Chad Bullington and Mr. Ronnie Griggs be elected to three-year terms by acclamation. Attorney Parker then asked for and received a second to this motion and there was a unanimous vote to elect Chad Bullington and Ronnie Griggs to three-year terms.

Attorney Parker then called upon Mr. Larry Williams, Chairman of the 2024 Election and Credentials Committee to announce the result of the voting for a Director from the Beulah Exchange. Mr. Williams announced that there were 193 valid ballots cast. Mr. Joe Atkins received 159 votes and Mr. Keith Cooke received 34 votes. Chairman Williams declared Mr. Joe Atkins the winner of the voting. Attorney Parker announced that Joe Atkins, Chad Bullington, and Ronnie Griggs had been elected as Directors of Surry Telephone Membership Corporation for three-year terms.

President Younger asked if there was any old or new business to come before the meeting. There was none.

President Younger declared the agenda complete, and the meeting adjourned at 10:10 am.



SECRETARY

APPROVED:



PRESIDENT

2024 ANNUAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF
SURRY TELEPHONE MEMBERSHIP CORPORATION

The 2024 annual meeting of the Board of Directors of Surry Telephone Membership Corporation was held at Surry Central High School, Dobson, North Carolina on March 16, 2024, immediately following the 2024 annual meeting of the members.

The following directors were present: Chris Younger, Ronnie Griggs, Imogene S. Hardy, Joe Riddle, Renee Martin, Bud Snyder and Joe Atkins. Also present were CEO Ritchie Parker, and Raymond A. Parker, General Counsel.

President Younger called the meeting to order and congratulated Joe Atkins, Chad Bullington and Ronnie Griggs on their re-election to the board.

The minutes of the 2023 annual meeting of the Board of Directors have been previously approved by the Board.

President Younger announced that the principal item of business was the election of officers for the Cooperative for the upcoming year. He read the names of the 2023 officer:

Chris Younger
Joe Atkins
Ronnie Griggs
Richie Parker
Amy Hanson
Andy Hull

President
Vice-President
Secretary/Treasurer
Chief Executive Officer
Chief Operations Officer
Assistant Secretary

President Younger then asked for nominations for officers for 2024. Director Renee Martin made a motion to re-elect the current slate of officers for another one-year term. This motion was seconded, and there was a unanimous approval of the motion.

President Younger announced the election of the following officers for 2024:

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Joe Atkins
Ronnie Griggs
Richie Parker
Amy Hanson
Andy Hull

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CEO Parker then addressed the board with comments on the 2024 Annual Meeting of the Members and commented on his opinion of this return to a traditional membership meeting. He also commented on needed changes in the bylaws concerning the annual meeting of members. There was discussion about how future annual meetings may differ.

President Younger asked if there was any other business to come before the annual meeting of the Directors. There was no further business.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:35 am.



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PRESIDENT