

**MINUTES OF THE EMERALD COAST UTILITIES AUTHORITY BOARD MEETING  
HELD THURSDAY, DECEMBER 15 AT 3:00 P.M. IN THE ECUA BOARD ROOM AT  
9250 HAMMAN STREET, ELLYSON INDUSTRIAL PARK, PENSACOLA, FL**

**Members present:** Elvin McCorvey, Chairman  
Larry Walker, Vice Chairman  
Lois Benson  
Elizabeth S. Campbell (arrived at 3:07 p.m.)  
Dale Perkins

**Counsel present:** Bradley S. Odom

**Staff present:** Stephen E. Sorrell, Executive Director  
Nathalie Bowers, Public Information Officer  
Debra Buckley, Director of Finance  
Tom Dawson, Director of Water Production  
Tim Haag, Director of Communications and  
Government Affairs  
Linda Iversen, Executive Assistant to the Board  
Bill Johnson, Director of Engineering  
Jim Roberts, Public Information Officer  
Randy Rudd, Deputy Executive Director-Shared  
Services

**ITEM 1 - CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman McCorvey called the organizational meeting of the Emerald Coast Utilities Authority Board to order at approximately 3:03 p.m.

**ITEM 2 - INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Ms. Benson provided the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ITEM 3 - ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

A motion was made by Ms. Benson, seconded by Dr. Walker, to adopt the agenda as presented. Motion carried 4-0.

**ITEM 4 - ORGANIZATION OF BOARD:**

Chairman McCorvey relinquished the Chair to Executive Director Sorrell and requested that he proceed with conducting the meeting through the election of Board Chairman. Once the election of the Board Chairman concluded, Mr. Sorrell returned the chair to the Chairman.

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(a) Election of Board Chairman

Mr. Perkins nominated Mr. McCorvey for the Board Chairmanship.

Mr. McCorvey nominated Dr. Walker for the Board Chairmanship.

There were no further nominations and Mr. McCorvey was elected 3-0 (Mr. McCorvey not voting) as Board Chairman.

(b) Election of Board Vice Chairman

Ms. Campbell nominated herself for the Board Vice Chairmanship. There were no further nominations and Ms. Campbell was unanimously elected as Vice Chairman.

(c) Election of Committee Chairman

Dr. Walker nominated Ms. Benson for the Committee Chairmanship. There were no further nominations and Ms. Benson was unanimously elected as Committee Chairman.

(d) Election of Committee Vice Chairman

Dr. Walker nominated Mr. Perkins for the Committee Vice Chairmanship. There were no further nominations and Mr. Perkins was unanimously elected as Committee Vice Chairman.

(e) Appointment and approval of members to the Citizens' Advisory Committee

Ms. Benson reappointed Ms. Deborah Benn to the Committee. The vote to confirm Ms. Benn's reappointment was unanimous.

Ms. Campbell reappointed Mr. James Kirkland to the Committee. The vote to confirm Mr. Kirkland's reappointment was unanimous. Ms. Benson commented on Mr. Kirkland's past attendance record and suggested that Mr. Kirkland be advised of the importance of his being present at all scheduled meetings.

Chairman McCorvey advised that he did not have an appointment at this time but would making an appointment at the January Board meeting.

Mr. Perkins appointed Mr. Chuck Kimball to the Committee. The vote to confirm Mr. Kimball's appointment was unanimous.

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Dr. Walker reappointed Mr. Tim Common to the Committee. The vote to confirm Mr. Common's reappointment was unanimous.

Mr. Perkins nominated Ms. Louise Ritz to be reappointed to one of the at-large positions on the Committee. There were no other nominations and Ms. Ritz was unanimously reappointed to the Committee.

Dr. Walker nominated Mr. Curtis Brotherton for reappointment to the remaining at-large position on the Committee. There were no other nominations and Mr. Brotherton was unanimously reappointed to the Committee.

(f) Approval of staff advisor to the Citizens' Advisory Committee

Executive Director Stephen E. Sorrell was unanimously approved to serve as the staff advisor to the ECUA Citizens' Advisory Committee.

(g) Appointment of Parliamentarian

Mr. Brad Odom, ECUA Counsel, was unanimously approved to serve as the Parliamentarian.

(h) Adoption of schedule of regular Board meetings for 2011

A motion was made by Dr. Walker, seconded by Mr. Perkins, to schedule the 2012 organizational meeting for November 20. After further discussion, Mr. Perkins withdrew his second and the motion died for lack of a second.

A motion was made by Mr. Perkins, seconded by Ms. Campbell, to schedule the 2012 organizational meeting for Tuesday, November 27 at 3:00 p.m., finding that this is the earliest practical time and date for the organizational meeting. Motion carried 5-0.

A motion was made by Ms. Campbell, seconded by Dr. Walker, to approve the 2012 schedule for Board meetings as stated on page five of the agenda. Motion failed 2-3 with Ms. Benson and Messrs. McCorvey and Perkins voting against the motion.

A motion was made by Mr. Perkins, seconded by Ms. Benson, to adopt the schedule of regular Board meetings for 2012 with the exception that the regular November Board meeting be held immediately following the organizational meeting on November 27, 2012 at 3:00 p.m. Motion carried 5-0.

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ITEM 5 - OPEN FORUM

There were no comments from the audience.

ITEM 6 - ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the organizational meeting of the Emerald Coast Utilities Authority Board, Chairman McCorvey declared the meeting adjourned at approximately 3:28 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Stephen E. Sorrell  
Executive Director and  
Secretary

APPROVED BY THE ECUA BOARD  
IN REGULAR SESSION ON \_\_\_\_\_.

- ( ) Without corrections/amendments.
- ( ) With corrections/amendments being: