

**MINUTES OF THE EMERALD COAST UTILITIES AUTHORITY BOARD MEETING  
HELD THURSDAY, MARCH 28, 2013 AT 2:00 P.M. IN THE ECUA BOARD ROOM  
AT 9255 STURDEVANT STREET, ELLYSON INDUSTRIAL PARK, PENSACOLA, FL**

**Members present:** Larry Walker, Chairman  
Vicki Campbell, Vice Chairman  
Lois Benson  
Elvin McCorvey  
Dale Perkins

**Counsel present:** Bradley S. Odom

**Staff present:** Stephen E. Sorrell, Executive Director  
Nathalie Bowers, Public Information Officer  
Debra Buckley, Director of Finance  
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 Walker called the regular meeting of the Emerald Coast Utilities Authority Board to order at approximately 2:00 p.m.

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

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

**ITEM 3 – ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

Mr. Sorrell added item 11(a) – Main Street WWTP property – to the agenda.

Ms. Benson added item 10(a) – Legislation – to the agenda.

A motion was made by Ms. Campbell, seconded by Mr. McCorvey, to adopt the agenda as presented and amended. Motion carried 5-0.

**ITEM 4 – PRESENTATIONS**

None.

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**ITEM 5 – APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

A motion was made by Mr. McCorvey, seconded by Ms. Benson, to approve the minutes of the regular Board meeting of February 28, 2013 as presented. Motion carried 5-0.

**ITEM 6 - OPERATIONAL ITEMS:**

(a) **Contract extension – Grounds maintenance**

A motion was made by Ms. Benson, seconded by Mr. McCorvey, to approve the extension of the current contracts for grounds maintenance at CWRP and ECUA water well properties, as provided as an option in the existing contract with Executive Landscaping, at a proposed total cost of \$88,405, with payment from the appropriate budget line item. The duration of the contract will be for one year, with an optional one-year extension, upon the mutual agreement of both parties with no change in price. Motion carried 5-0.

(b) **Award of bid: Construction and installation of process equipment-Septage treatment and receiving system**

A motion was made by Ms. Benson, seconded by Ms. Campbell, to award a contract to Brown Construction of NW Florida, Inc., Pensacola, Florida, the low bidder, in the total amount of \$487,482.15 for the base bid, for construction of the Septage Treatment and Receiving System, with funding provided by CIP Project CS222. Motion carried 4-0 with Mr. Perkins being absent during the vote.

Upon Mr. Perkins' return, a motion was made by Ms. Benson, seconded by Ms. Campbell, to reconsider item 6(b). Motion carried 5-0.

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(c) **Guidy Lane utility relocation and sewer expansion**

A motion was made by Mr. McCorvey, seconded by Mr. Perkins, to authorize the Executive Director to enter into an agreement with Escambia County to reimburse the County for the full cost of the sewer expansion and half of the water main upgrades and relocation costs associated with the County's Guidy Lane roadway and drainage improvements project, and establish a

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project budget in the amount of \$150,000 from CIP Project CR405. Motion carried 5-0.

(d) 1003 Dominguez Street property

A motion was made by Mr. McCorvey, seconded by Ms. Campbell, to (1) approve and concur in the findings of the Executive Director that the structures on the property located at 1003 Dominguez Street in Pensacola, Florida are not necessary, useful, or profitable in the operation of the utility systems of ECUA; (2) find that the structures located at 1003 Dominguez Street are without value and actually present a negative value to the Authority; and (3) authorize the demolition of the structures located on the 1003 Dominguez Street property, with funding through a transfer of \$20,000 from CIP Project CS317 to CS317Y. Motion carried 5-0.

(e) Adoption of Resolution 13-05

A motion was made by Mr. Perkins, seconded by Ms. Benson, to adopt Resolution 13-05 - A RESOLUTION FINDING THE STRUCTURES LOCATED AT 1003 DOMINGUEZ STREET IN PENSACOLA, FLORIDA TO BE NOT NECESSARY, USEFUL, OR PROFITABLE IN THE OPERATIONS OF THE UTILITY SYSTEMS OF THE EMERALD COAST UTILITIES AUTHORITY; FINDING THOSE STRUCTURES TO BE OF NEGATIVE VALUE; AUTHORIZING THEIR DEMOLITION; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. Motion carried 5-0.

(f) Compressed Natural Gas Agreement for Ellyson fuel site

A motion was made by Mr. Perkins, seconded by Ms. Campbell, to authorize the Executive Director to execute the Copter Road Site Lease and Natural Gas Supply Agreement between the City of Pensacola, which does business as Pensacola Energy, and the ECUA. Motion carried 5-0.

ITEM 7 - INFORMATIONAL REPORTS:

None.

ITEM 8 - EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

(a) Northwest Force Main obstruction removal

Information only – no action required.

Mr. Sorrell also reported that the Northwest Florida water taste test was recently conducted and ECUA won again and will now be competing at the

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State level. Further, only water systems that have not had any violations are allowed to participate.

Ms. Benson stated that she would hope that ECUA would do a radio and television campaign that would highlight the results of the taste test. Further, she expressed her appreciation to the ECUA employees in the water production area for the good work they do and for making ECUA look good.

**ITEM 9 - ATTORNEY'S REPORT:**

Mr. Odom reported on the progress of House Bill 1069, stating that it went to Committee and had some problems. Further, language has been modified to address the concerns and to get it back on track. Mr. Odom stated he would continue to keep the Board informed on this issue.

**ITEM 10 - UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

(a) **Legislation (Benson)**

Ms. Benson stated that Mr. Odom addressed her subject matter and that she had met with officials in Tallahassee to make them aware of the issue and assurances were provided to her that the Bill would be monitored.

**ITEM 11 - NEW BUSINESS**

(a) **Main Street WWTP property**

A motion was made by Mr. Perkins, seconded by Ms. Benson, to approve the leasing of the former Main Street WWTP property and authorize the Executive Director to negotiate and execute a contract with Winterfest of Pensacola. Motion carried 5-0.

Ms. Benson stated she wished to disclose that her name is on the Winterfest Board roster and she has no conflict of interest and receives no remuneration for that service.

Ms. Denise Daughtry, 226 E. Intendencia Street, addressed the Board explaining the activities that her agency is involved in.

**ITEM 12 - BOARD COMMUNICATIONS**

Mr. Perkins wished everyone a happy Easter holiday.

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Ms. Benson welcomed two young men by the last name of Odom to the meeting, stating they were present to observe the proceedings of a governmental group.

Ms. Campbell invited everyone to come out this Easter weekend to the Springfest on Blue Angel Parkway at Liberty Church.

**ITEM 13 - OPEN FORUM**

There were no comments from the audience.

**ITEM 14 – ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the regular meeting of the Emerald Coast Utilities Authority Board, Chairman Walker declared the meeting adjourned at approximately 2:33 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Stephen E. Sorrell  
Executive Director

APPROVED BY THE ECUA BOARD  
IN REGULAR SESSION ON 04/25/13.

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