MINUTES OF THE EMERALD COAST UTILITIES AUTHORITY BOARD MEETING HELD THURSDAY, JUNE 27, 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 Lydia Fortin, Human Resources Manager Linda Iversen, Executive Assistant to the Board Bill Johnson, Director of Engineering Jim Roberts, Public Information Officer Randy Rudd, Deputy Executive Director-Shared Services Cindy Sutherland, Director of Human Resources and Administrative Services

ITEM 1 – CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Walker called the regular meeting of the Emerald Coast Utilities Authority Board to order at approximately 2:01 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

Ms. Benson requested that Item 8(f)-Main Street property disposition, be moved up on the agenda. Chairman Walker placed item 8(f) to follow item 7G.

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

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ITEM 4 – PRESENTATIONS

None.

ITEM 5 – APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Mr. McCorvey, seconded by Ms. Campbell, to approve the minutes of the regular Board meeting of May 23, 2013 as presented. Motion carried 5-0.

ITEM 6 - PUBLIC HEARINGS:

(a) 2:00 p.m. - Proposed revision of wastewater collection and treatment system use regulations

Chairman Walker convened the public hearing and approximately 2:04 p.m. There were no comments from the audience and the public hearing was closed at approximately 2:05 p.m.

(b) Adoption of Resolution 13-07

A motion was made by Mr. Perkins, seconded by Mr. McCorvey, to adopt Resolution 13-07 - A FINAL RESOLUTION REVISING WASTEWATER COLLECTION AND TREATMENT SYSTEM USE REGULATIONS; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. Motion carried 5-0.

ITEM 7 - REPORT OF THE ECUA CITIZENS' ADVISORY COMMITTEE 06/19/13

F. Optional Contract Extension – Fire Hydrants And Fire Hydrant Extensions

A motion was made by Ms. Benson, seconded by Mr. Perkins, to approve the one-year contract extension with Ferguson Waterworks, Pensacola, Florida based upon the mutual agreement of both parties with no increase in price, which are indicated below. Motion carried 5-0.

ITEM	COMPANY	ESTIMATED COST	PRIOR CONTRACT
1. Fire Hydrants	Ferguson Waterworks	$102,959.10	$278,250.00
2. Fire Hydrant Extensions	Ferguson Waterworks	11,358.90	18,340.00

G. Employee Benefits Package for Fiscal Year 2014

A motion was made by Mr. Perkins, seconded by Mr. McCorvey, to approve the proposed benefits package at a cost of $5,560,881, as illustrated in

the table below, and including the following plan components: (1) approve the recommendation from Siver Insurance Consultants and change the medical insurer to Florida Municipal Insurance Trust (FMIT), and (a) offer new plan designs for employee and dependent health coverage, (b) provide the employee premium for the three plans, (c) provide an average of 65% of the dependent premium for the three plans, and (d) contribute $1,000 of the employee deductible or $1,500 of the family deductible into a health savings account for each employee enrolled in the Health Savings Account plan; (2) continue with the current dental insurer, United Concordia, and provide 100% of the employee premium for the Basic plan; and (3) continue with the current life and long term disability insurer, Unum, and provide 100% of the cost for basic employee benefits, with funding from the appropriate budget line item.

Benefits Package	Budgeted FY 2013	Budgeted FY 2014
Health, Life & Dental Insurance	$5,914,276	$5,462,883
Disability Insurance	118,000	118,000
Total	6,033,076	5,580,883
Under fiscal year 2013 Budget		($ 452,193)

Ms. Benson stated that ECUA should first be concerned about the health of its employees, and secondly the cost of the insurance. Further, in her research, it appears that ECUA offers the richest package in the panhandle. Ms. Benson also commented that she is interested in moving more employees into Health Savings Accounts (HSA), and spoke to the benefits of the wellness program associated with the current plan.

A substitute motion was made by Ms. Benson, seconded by Ms. Campbell, to approve the proposed benefits package at a cost of $6,036,003, as illustrated in the table below, and including the following plan components: (1) approve the renewal proposed by our current medical insurer, Florida Blue, and (a) maintain the current plan designs for employee and dependent health coverage, (b) provide the employee premium for the three plans, (c) provide an average of 65% of the dependent premium for the three plans, and (d) contribute $1,000 of the employee deductible or $1,500 of the family deductible into a health savings account for each employee enrolled in the Health Savings Account plan; (2) continue with the current dental insurer, United Concordia, and provide 100% of the employee premium for the Basic plan; and (3) continue with the current life and long term disability insurer, Unum, and provide 100% of the cost for Basic employee benefits. Motion failed 2-3 with Messrs. McCorvey, Perkins and Walker voting against the motion.

Benefits Package	Budgeted FY 2013	Budgeted FY 2014
Health, Life & Dental Insurance	$5,914,276	$5,918,003
Disability Insurance	118,000	118,000
Total	6,033,076	6,036,003
Over fiscal year 2013 Budget		$2,927

The vote on the original motion as made by Mr. Perkins carried 4-1 with Ms. Benson voting against the motion.

Mr. David Lodwick and Mr. Clay Austin, representing the Florida League of Cities/FMIT, addressed the Board explaining the proposed benefits program.

At approximately 2:37 p.m., Chairman Walker recessed the meeting. The meeting was reconvened at approximately 2:42 p.m.

H. Presentations:

(1) Inflow and Infiltration

Held in Committee.

(2) Public notification policies

Held in Committee.

ITEM 8 - OPERATIONAL ITEMS:

(a) Award of contract extension – Maintenance, repair and distribution of collection containers

A motion was made by Mr. McCorvey, seconded by Ms. Benson, to approve the second and final two-year contract extension with Otto, Inc., of Charlotte, NC, for maintenance, repair and distribution of automated containers with no change in contract terms, with funding available in the Sanitation Operating Budget. Motion carried 5-0.

(b) Award of bid – Gardenia Circle sewer expansion

A motion was made by Mr. McCorvey, seconded by Ms. Benson, to waive the initial deficiency as a minor informality, and award the contract for the Gardenia Circle Sewer Expansion to the low bidder, R & B Contracting

Enterprises, Inc., dba R & B Contracting Co., Inc., for the Total Bid in the amount of $439,217.75 with funds from CIP Project CS318E. Motion carried 5-0.

(c) Utility relocation – 12th Avenue bridge replacement at Bayou Texar

A motion was made by Ms. Campbell, seconded by Ms. Benson, to waive the competitive bidding process due to time constraints, and authorize the Executive Director to use the Small Scale Contract to perform the utility relocations for both the City's storm water treatment vault project and the FDOT's bridge replacement project, and establish a project budget in the amount of $280,000 with funding from CIP Project CR405. Motion carried 5-0.

(d) Utility relocation – Bauer Road bridge replacement

A motion was made by Ms. Benson, seconded by Ms. Campbell, to waive the competitive bidding process due to time constraints, and authorize the Executive Director to use the Small Scale Contract to perform the utility relocations for the FDOT's Bauer Road Bridge Replacement project, and establish a project budget in the amount of $160,000 with funding from CIP Project CR405. Motion carried 5-0.

(e) Real estate purchase from the City of Pensacola – Lift Station 12

A motion was made by Mr. Perkins, seconded by Mr. McCorvey, to approve the purchase of two parcels of real property from the City of Pensacola near Lift Station 12 for their appraisal value, $21,000, and authorize the Executive Director to execute all documents necessary to effectuate the property purchase, with funding from CIP Project RS034. Motion carried 5-0.

(f) Main Street property disposition

Although reflected in agenda order in these minutes, this item was considered following Item 7G.

Ms. Benson commented that the offer before the Board is a strong offer; however, she does not want to be dazzled by dollar signs and she feels ECUA owes it to its customers to get the best price possible for the property.

A motion was made by Ms. Benson, seconded by Ms. Campbell, to rank the firms based on the Executive Director's ranking, and authorize the Executive Director to negotiate the scope of services and fees until an agreement with one of the three firms is signed.

1. NAI Halford Commercial Real Estate Services
2. Coldwell Banker Commercial
3. CBRE Public Institutions; Beck Property Company

Mr. Perkins inquired if ECUA would have the right to approve or disapprove an assignment of the property. Mr. Odom indicated that ECUA would have this right.

Mr. Steve Adams, 5375 Prieto Drive, addressed the Board speaking against the proposed purchase, suggesting that the Board reject the offer.

A substitute motion was made by Mr. Perkins to approve the presented contract as written with the wording added that the $50,000 in earnest money would be non-refundable. *Motion died for lack of a second.*

The vote on the motion as made by Ms. Benson carried 3-2 with Messrs. McCorvey and Perkins voting against the motion.

Mr. Barry Tweedie also briefly addressed the Board relative to the amount of earnest money offered.

ITEM 9 - INFORMATIONAL REPORTS:

None.

ITEM 10 - EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

The following reports were for information only and did not require action.

(a) Notification of Emergency Purchase – Repair of 8" sewer main on Nine Mile Road
(b) Notification of Emergency Purchase – Johnson Avenue bridge utility relocation

ITEM 11 - ATTORNEY'S REPORT:

(a) Mr. Odom advised the Board that the issue previously before the Board concerning Laguna Point Condominiums has been resolved.

(b) Mr. Odom also reported that for the first time in a long time ECUA does not have any foreclosure cases.

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ITEM 12 - UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None.

ITEM 13 - NEW BUSINESS

None.

ITEM 14 - BOARD COMMUNICATIONS

Ms. Benson wished everyone a happy 4th of July.

Mr. Perkins expressed his appreciation to the Board members for the manner in which the Board discusses the issues before it.

ITEM 15 - OPEN FORUM

There were no comments from the audience.

ITEM 16 – 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 3:37 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Stephen E. Sorrell
Executive Director

APPROVED BY THE ECUA BOARD
IN REGULAR SESSION ON _____.

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