

**MINUTES OF THE ECUA CITIZENS' ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 19, 2013 AT 2:00 P.M. IN THE ECUA BOARD ROOM AT 9255
STURDEVANT STREET, ELLYSON INDUSTRIAL PARK, PENSACOLA, FL**

Members present: Lois Benson, Chairman
Vicki Campbell
Tim Common
Michael Harmon
Chuck Kimball
Dale Perkins
Louise Ritz
Hurey Smith
Kelley Thompson
Larry Walker

Members absent: Elvin McCorvey, Vice Chairman
David Karasek

Staff present: Steve Sorrell, Executive Director
Nathalie Bowers, Public Information Officer
Debra Buckley, Director of Finance
Ernest Dawson, Director of Regional Services
Lydia Fortin, Human Resources Manager
Stacey Hayden, Project Engineer
Steve Holcomb, Director of Wastewater Infrastructure
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 A - CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Benson called the regular meeting of the ECUA Citizens' Advisory Committee to order at approximately 2:00 p.m.

ITEM B - INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mr. Perkins provided the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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ITEM C - ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Mr. Common added "place of meetings" to the agenda.

Mr. Harmon requested that the topic of transparency-practices and policies, be added to the agenda for the next meeting and distributed a document he prepared for that subject.

Chairman Benson informed the Committee that Mr. Harmon sent her an e-mail regarding this subject matter and since the ECUA attorney feels that such a communication is a violation of the Sunshine Law, she discontinued reading the e-mail and asked that the attorney forward the e-mail to the Executive Assistant to the Board for the record. Chairman Benson also asked that the members of the Committee not communicate with another member of the Committee or Board Members on issues that may come before the Committee.

A motion was made by Mr. Common, seconded by Mr. Kimball, to adopt the agenda as presented and amended. Motion carried 9-0.

At approximately 2:10 p.m., a power outage occurred and the meeting was delayed until power returned at approximately 2:15 p.m.

ITEM D - OPEN FORUM

There were no comments from the audience.

ITEM E - APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Ms. Thompson, and seconded, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of April 17, 2013 as presented. Motion carried 10-0.

**ITEM F - OPTIONAL CONTRACT EXTENSION – FIRE HYDRANTS AND FIRE
HYDRANT EXTENSIONS**

A motion was made by Mr. Kimball, seconded by Ms. Ritz, that the Board 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 10-0.

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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

ITEM G - EMPLOYEE BENEFITS PACKAGE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2014

Ms. Kathy Gordon, Siver Insurance Consultants, provided a summary of the proposed employee insurance package, outlining the various changes, and comparisons made with the current employee insurance package.

Mr. Todd Torgensen, Combined Insurance Services, addressed the Committee informing the members of the potential for a refund, possibly in excess of \$1 million, at the conclusion of the current two-year arrangement and only if ECUA remained with Florida Blue.

It was pointed out that in order for ECUA to obtain such a refund, an agreement would have to be signed and the claims rate not increase.

An individual representing Florida Blue addressed the Committee, commenting on the proposals.

A motion was made by Mr. Harmon, seconded by Mr. Perkins, that the Board 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. Motion failed 4-6 with Messes. Benson, Campbell, Ritz, Thompson and Messrs. Common and Kimball voting against the motion.

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 FY 2013 Budget		(\$ 452,193)

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**Calculations are adjusted here to show overall funding for 542 authorized positions.
The proposed health insurance costs in the Siver report are based on actual enrollment.
Calculations also reflect costs associated with an October 1, 2013 – September 30, 2014
contract year for health insurance.*

Chairman Benson requested information on the approval process with any insurance coverage for treatment of mental health.

A motion to table this issue was made by Ms. Thompson prior to the vote; however, the motion did not receive a second.

*A recess of the meeting was taken from approximately 3:25 to 3:32
p.m.*

ITEM H - PRESENTATIONS:

(1) Inflow and Infiltration

Mr. Bill Johnson provided a presentation of the Inflow and Infiltration issue and activities associated therewith. Due to technical difficulties, Mr. Johnson was unable to conclude the presentation and staff was requested to continue the presentation at the next meeting.

(2) Public notification policies

Mr. Randy Rudd provided an overview of the current process utilized of the ECUA regarding public notifications and what the staff is proposing to improve the process.

Mr. Harmon indicated that this topic is related to his concerns about transparency practices and policies.

Chairman Benson requested that discussion on this issue be held until the next Committee meeting.

ITEM I - INFORMATIONAL REPORTS:

The following reports were presented for information only and did not require any action. Dr. Walker informed the members that the information contained in the monthly reports answered some of the questions the Committee members may have.

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- (1) Financial reports for the period ended March 31, 2013
- (2) Regional Services report – April 2013
- (3) Regional Services report – May 2013
- (4) Water Production report – April 2013
- (5) Water Production report – May 2013
- (6) Water Reclamation report – March 2013
- (7) Water Reclamation report – April 2013

ITEM J - UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- (1) CAC meeting place (Common)

Mr. Common stated that he would like for ECUA to address the possibility of conducting the meeting in a different location in a less formal setting. It was requested that this topic be added to the next CAC agenda.

ITEM K - NEW BUSINESS

None.

ITEM L - ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the regular meeting of the ECUA Citizens' Advisory Committee, Chairman Benson declared the meeting adjourned at approximately 4:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Stephen E. Sorrell
Executive Director and
Secretary

**APPROVED BY THE ECUA CITIZENS' ADVISORY
COMMITTEE IN A MEETING ON 07/17/13.**

- (X) Without corrections/amendments.
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