

**MINUTES OF THE EMERALD COAST UTILITIES AUTHORITY
CITIZENS' ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2018, 2:00 p.m.

ECUA BOARD ROOM

9255 STURDEVANT STREET, ELLYSON INDUSTRIAL PARK

PENSACOLA, FLORIDA 32514

Members Present: Vicki Campbell, Chairman
Deborah Benn
Lois Benson
Kevin Hammer
Chuck Kimball
Dale Perkins
Louise Ritz
Pueschel Schneier (*arrived at 2:16 p.m.*)

Members Absent: Larry Walker, Vice Chairman
Catherine Booker
Elvin McCorvey
Randy Ponson

Staff Present: Stephen E. Sorrell, Executive Director

ITEM A - INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Prior to the regular meeting of the Committee meeting being called to order, Mr. Kimball provided the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ITEM B - CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Campbell called the regular meeting of the Emerald Coast Utilities Authority Citizens' Advisory Committee to order at approximately 2:04 p.m.

ITEM C - ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Chairman Campbell added Staff Community Involvement under New Business.

Motion and Vote:

A motion was made by Mr. Kimball, seconded by Ms. Benn, to approve the adoption of the agenda for the Citizens' Advisory Committee meeting of December 5, 2018, as presented and amended.

Motion carried 7-0.

ITEM D - OPEN FORUM

There were no comments from the audience.

ITEM E - APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Ms. Ritz, seconded by Mr. Kimball, to approve the minutes of the Citizens' Advisory Committee meeting of November 5, 2018, as presented.

Motion carried 7-0.

ITEM F - BAYOU MARCUS CLARIFIER COATING REPAIRS #3 and #4

Recommendation:

That the Board waive the bid requirement due to the operational requirements of this equipment and approve the issuance of a purchase order for repairs of the Bayou Marcus clarifier to DACA Specialty Services, of Norcross, Georgia, the lowest bidder, in the amount of \$285,829, with funding from CIP Project RS882–Bayou Marcus Clarifier Coating Repairs.

Comments:

Mr. Hammer asked if the tanks were repaired on a monthly basis and Mr. Sorrell relayed they do not conduct monthly repairs because the tanks are full due to operational needs and repairs cannot occur until the tanks are drained, cleaned and sanitized.

Motion and Vote:

A motion was made by Ms. Benn, seconded by Mr. Kimball, to approve the staff recommendation.

Motion carried 7-0.

ITEM G - SOLE SOURCE PURCHASE – Alk-AQUIT® and Bioxide® Plus 71

Recommendation:

That the Board approve the renewal of the current contract for one year with Evoqua Water Technologies of Sarasota, Florida, for the sole source purchase of Alk-AQUIT® and Bioxide® Plus 71, with funding from the appropriate budget line item. The duration of the contract will be for one year, with an option to renew for an additional year with the mutual consent of both parties.

Comments:

Ms. Benn said she appreciated that the contract will be renewed with the same cost and terms of the expiring contract because some of the agenda items during the last few Committee meetings had increased in cost.

Motion and Vote:

A motion was made by Mr. Kimball, seconded by Ms. Ritz, to approve the staff recommendation.

Motion carried 8-0.

ITEM H - ANNUAL RENTAL CONTRACT – DIESEL BY-PASS PUMPS AND STORAGE TANKS

Recommendation:

That the Board approve the optional one-year extension of the current rental contract with Rain for Rent, Inc., for diesel by-pass pumps and liquid storage Fractional (FRAC) tanks, at a proposed total cost of approximately \$125,000, with funding from CIP Project RS728K– Annual L/S Mechanical Needs. The duration of the contract will be for one year at the same cost and terms as the current contract.

Comments:

Mr. Hammer asked if it would be more cost effective if ECUA purchased their own equipment. Mr. Sorrell said ECUA already own several pumps and generators, but they do not know when, where or how many pumps will be needed. He explained that heavy rain events, flooding and the possibility of their pumps malfunctioning is why a rental contract is the most cost effective solution.

Motion and Vote:

A motion was made by Mr. Kimball, seconded by Ms. Benn, to approve the staff recommendation.

Motion carried 8-0.

ITEM I - PROJECT TRINITY COAST UPDATE

Presentation – Information Only

The Project Trinity Coast update was presented by Mr. John Daane, Director of Information Technology. Mr. Daane provided the Committee with an update on the integration of the Enterprise Resource Planning system, Tyler Munis software, which will standardize and streamline business processes across finance, human resources, customer service and other ECUA operational functions.

ITEM J - WATER QUALITY REPORT

Presentation – Information Only

Mr. Tom Dawson, Director of Water Production, made a presentation on the quality of ECUA's drinking water, which is regulated by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP). The contaminants regularly tested include lead, copper and total chromium. The ECUA was selected as "best tasting drinking water" in the 2018 Drinking Water contest from the American Water Works Association, Florida Section, Region IX. ECUA also earned this award in 2005, 2006, 2009 and 2013.

ITEM K - INFORMATIONAL REPORTS

The following item(s) were presented for information only and did not require any action.

- (1) Water Production – October 2018
- (2) Water Reclamation – October 2018

ITEM L - UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

ITEM M - NEW BUSINESS

Chairman Campbell complimented the ECUA staff because she believes they go above and beyond to help in the community. She specifically acknowledged Mr. Gerry Piscopo, Deputy Executive Director of Maintenance and Construction, Ms. Nathalie Bowers, Public Information Officer and Mr. Jim Roberts, Education Programs Specialist.

ITEM N - OPEN FORUM

Dr. Gloria Horning, 310 South DeVilliers Street, Pensacola, Florida, addressed the Committee to comment on the Florida Sunshine Laws and GPS devices for the sanitation trucks.

Mr. Daron Horne, 2139 Stennis Drive, Pensacola, Florida, addressed the Committee to inquire about a retention pond and stormwater issues on South DeVilliers Street and in the Blue Angels' neighborhood. Chairman Campbell explained that Mr. Horne would need to speak with the City or County to address stormwater issues, in that ECUA is responsible for drinking water, sewer and sanitation services and not stormwater management.

ITEM O - ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the regular meeting of the ECUA Citizens' Advisory Committee, Chairman Campbell declared the meeting adjourned at approximately 3:16 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Stephen E. Sorrell
Executive Director and Secretary

APPROVED BY THE ECUA CITIZENS' ADVISORY
COMMITTEE IN REGULAR SESSION ON: _____

- () Without corrections/amendments
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