MINUTES OF THE EMERALD COAST UTILITIES AUTHORITY BOARD MEETING HELD THURSDAY, JULY 26, 2012 AT 3:00 P.M. IN THE ECUA BOARD ROOM AT 9250 HAMMAN STREET, ELLYSON INDUSTRIAL PARK, PENSACOLA, FL

Members present:	Elvin McCorvey, Chairman Lois Benson Dale Perkins Larry Walker
Members absent:	Elizabeth S. Campbell, Vice Chairman
Counsel present:	Bradley S. Odom
Staff present:	Stephen E. Sorrell, Executive Director Debra Buckley, Director of Finance Tim Haag, Director of Communications and Government Affairs Linda Iversen, Executive Assistant to the Board Bill Johnson, Director of Engineering Randy Rudd, Deputy Executive Director-Shared Services

ITEM 1 – CALL TO ORDER

Chairman McCorvey called the regular meeting of the Emerald Coast Utilities Authority Board to order at approximately 3:02 p.m.

ITEM 2 – INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Dr. Walker provided the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ITEM 3 – ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Ms. Benson added "water tower" to the agenda under new business.

Mr. Perkins added "Northwest Florida Water Management District" to the agenda under new business.

Dr. Walker added "high pressure in a sewer line" to the agenda under new business.

Mr. Sorrell advised that a corrected page 15 was before the Board.

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

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ITEM 4 – COMMUNICATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

None.

ITEM 5 – APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Dr. Walker, seconded by Mr. Perkins, to approve the minutes of the regular Board meeting of June 28, 2012 as presented. Motion carried 4-0.

ITEM 6 - REPORT OF THE ECUA CITIZENS' ADVISORY COMMITTEE 07/18/12

F. Award of Bid: Sale of Heat Dried Sludge Product

A motion was made by Ms. Benson, seconded by dr. Walker, to waive any informalities in the bid submitted by Mannco Environmental Services and authorize the Executive Director to enter into a contract for the sale of the heat dried sludge product produced at the Central Water Reclamation Facility to Mannco Environmental Services, Inc. , Conway, Arkansas, at a sale price of $15.00 per dry ton for one year, with an option to extend annually for an additional two years, subject to no change in price and upon mutual agreement of both parties. ECUA's entry into the contract would be subject to Mannco Environmental Services, Inc., providing ECUA with proof of its authorization to do business in the state. Motion carried 4-0.

G. Fiscal Year 2012-2013 Budget

Sanitation budget:

A motion was made by Ms. Benson, seconded by Dr. Walker, to approve the sanitation budget for fiscal year 2012-2013. Motion carried 4-0.

Water and Wastewater budget:

Held in Committee - deferred acting on the budget until next month following the publishing of the budget on the ECUA web site.

ITEM 7 - OPERATIONAL ITEMS

(a) Contract extension – Annual water well maintenance and repair

A motion was made by Mr. Perkins, seconded by Ms. Benson, to approve the one-year contract extension of the existing contract with Layne

Christensen Company of Pensacola, Florida, for maintenance of the ECUA wells, with funds allocated from CIP Project RW901T - Well Maintenance and Testing. Motion carried 4-0.

(b) Main Street Wastewater Treatment Plant site

Mr. Sorrell advised the Board of a correction to page 15-Surplus declaration for the Main Street WWTP site, stating the dollar amount should be $100,000.

Mr. Odom stated that a correction was needed to the item, under the Background section, last paragraph, insert "greater than" before $100,000.

A motion was made by Mr. Perkins, seconded by Ms. Benson, to approve and concur in the findings of the Executive Director and the consulting engineer regarding the Main Street Wastewater Treatment Plant property site and finding that site to be surplus property of the ECUA. Motion carried 4-0.

(c) Adoption of Resolution 12-08

A motion was made by Mr. Perkins, seconded by Ms. Benson, to adopt Resolution 12-0 - A RESOLUTION FINDING THE MAIN STREET WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT SITE TO BE NO LONGER USEFUL, NECESSARY, OR PROFITABLE IN THE OPERATION OF THE UTILITY SYSTEMS OF THE EMERALD COAST UTILITIES AUTHORITY; APPROVING AND CONCURRING IN THE FINDINGS OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND THE CONSULTING ENGINEER; DECLARING THE PROPERTY TO BE SURPLUS; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. Motion carried 4-0.

Mr. Barry Tweedie, 10395 Old Dairy Lane, addressed the Board stating that he disagrees that the property is no longer necessary, useful, or profitable. Mr. Tweedie stated it had value to the customers in that the property can be sold.

Mr. Sorrell responded that this action only declares the property surplus and the sale of the property in the future will come back to the Board for approval.

Mr. Odom stated that this is the process that ECUA has to go through prior to marketing the property for sale.

ITEM 8 - INFORMATIONAL REPORTS

None.

ITEM 9 - EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Mr. Sorrell reported that the Potter Avenue property was closed on at approximately 5:30 p.m. Wednesday, July 25. However, the property will not be transferred to ECUA until several remaining items on the property are removed. Mr. Sorrell also reported that the environmental report came back clean.

Mr. Sorrell also reported that staff received a letter from the Zachary Co. indicating they have closed the Cantonment facility. Mr. Sorrell stated that there will be an inspection of the site made by ECUA and other officials.

ITEM 10 - ATTORNEY'S REPORT

Mr. Odom reported that the purchase of the Preyer property is moving along in that the owner is attempting to get a good, clear title so that the property could be purchased by ECUA.

Mr. Odom informed the Board of a "Conflict Assessment" meeting scheduled for Tuesday, July 31 at 9:00 a.m. with representatives of the County relative to ECUA's move to build a transfer station. Mr. Odom advised that if the issues are not resolved at Tuesday's meeting, then a special joint meeting will need to be scheduled between the ECUA Board and Board of County Commissioners.

Also, Mr. Odom informed the Board that a trial will be coming up in the next couple of weeks relative to a vehicle accident. Further, he would discuss the details with individual Board members after the meeting should one so desire.

Mr. Odom further advised that he has successfully collected on a prior case in which we got some sanctions and costs from a litigant against ECUA.

ITEM 11 - UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

ITEM 12 - NEW BUSINESS

(a) Water Tower (Benson)

Ms. Benson expressed her concerns about a recent article regarding the City's new logo and plans for display of such, i.e. possibly on an ECUA elevated water tank. Ms. Benson stated that she feels a written policy should be in place about what is allowed to be placed on ECUA elevated tanks.

(b) Northwest Florida Water Management District (Perkins)

Mr. Perkins commented that two individuals from South Florida have been appointed to the Northwest Florida Water Management District (NWFWMD) and he is concerned that this is not good representation of Northwest Florida and the water in our area due to the needs for water in South Florida. Staff and legal were requested to look into this and bring a recommendation back to the Board at its August meeting. Mr. Sorrell indicated that these are "staff persons" and they are appointed by the Executive Director of the NWFWMD.

(c) High pressure in a sewer line (Walker)

Dr. Walker stated there has been a problem with high pressure in a sewer line at Highway 297A and requested an update. Mr. Sorrell stated that high pressure is generally caused by a blockage and that staff has opened a relief valve and the pressure has diminished. However, staff will continue searching for the location of a blockage, utilizing pressure equipment at various locations.

ITEM 13 - BOARD COMMUNICATIONS

None.

ITEM 14 - OPEN FORUM

(a) Ms. Ruthie Johnson, 8029 Briaroak Drive, Pensacola, FL, 32514, addressed the Board requesting an update on a recent sanitary sewer overflow into a pond in Baybrook Subdivision. Mr. Sorrell advised of the actions staff has taken regarding the cleanup and that the pond is back to acceptable levels. Mr. Sorrell also advised that the lift station (Eastgate) in that area is going to be rebuilt and that should take approximately one year.

(b) Mr. David Clanton, 1402 Poppy Avenue, Pensacola, FL, 32507, addressed the Board concerning the lack of concern and delay regarding a 2010 vehicle accident, stating he was "t-boned" by an ECUA vehicle that ran a stop sign.

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ITEM 15 - ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the regular meeting of the Emerald Coast Utilities Authority Board, Chairman McCorvey declared the meeting adjourned at approximately 3:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Stephen E. Sorrell
Executive Director

APPROVED BY THE ECUA BOARD
IN REGULAR SESSION ON 08/23/12.

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