

**MINUTES OF THE EMERALD COAST UTILITIES AUTHORITY BOARD MEETING
HELD TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 2014 AT 1:45 P.M. IN THE ECUA BOARD
ROOM AT 9255 STURDEVANT STREET, ELLYSON INDUSTRIAL PARK,
PENSACOLA, FL**

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

Counsel present: Bradley S. Odom

Staff present: Stephen E. Sorrell, Executive Director
Debra Buckley, Director of Finance
Tom Dawson, Director of Water Production
Tim Haag, Director of Government Affairs
Linda Iversen, Executive Assistant to the Board
Jim Roberts, Public Information Officer

ITEM 1 – CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Walker called the organizational meeting of the Emerald Coast Utilities Authority Board to order at approximately 1:46 p.m.

ITEM 2 – INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

ITEM 4 – ADMINISTRATION OF OATHS OF OFFICE

Mr. Odom administered the Oaths of Office to Board members Lois Benson and Dale Perkins.

ITEM 3 – ADOPTION OF AGENDA

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

Chairman Walker relinquished the Chair to Executive Director Sorrell to proceed with conducting the meeting through the election of Board Chairman. Once the election of the Board Chairman concluded, Mr. Sorrell returned the chair to the Chairman.

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ITEM 4 - ORGANIZATION OF BOARD:

(a) Election of Board Chairman

Mr. Perkins nominated Ms. Campbell for the Board Chairmanship, which Ms. Campbell declined.

Mr. McCorvey nominated Dr. Walker for the Board Chairmanship.

Ms. Campbell nominated Ms. Benson for the Board Chairmanship.

There were no further nominations and each Board member cast a written ballot reflecting their vote for Board Chairman. Ms. Benson was elected by a 3-2 vote as Board Chairman.

(b) Election of Board Vice Chairman

Mr. Perkins nominated Dr. Walker, seconded by Ms. Campbell, for the Board Vice Chairmanship. There were no further nominations.

A motion was made by Mr. McCorvey, seconded by Mr. Perkins, to vote by acclamation. Dr. Walker was unanimously elected as Board Vice Chairman.

(c) Election of Committee Chairman

Mr. Perkins nominated Mr. McCorvey, seconded by Ms. Campbell, for the Committee Chairmanship. There were no further nominations.

A motion was made by Ms. Campbell, seconded by Dr. Walker, to vote by acclamation. Mr. McCorvey was unanimously elected as Committee Chairman.

(d) Election of Committee Vice Chairman

Mr. Perkins nominated Ms. Campbell, seconded by Mr. McCorvey, for the Committee Vice Chairmanship. There were no further nominations.

A motion was made by Dr. Walker, seconded by Mr. Perkins, to vote by acclamation. Ms. Campbell was unanimously elected as Committee Vice Chairman.

(e) Appointment and approval of members to the Citizens' Advisory Committee

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A motion was made by Mr. Perkins, seconded by Ms. Campbell, to reappoint the current ECUA Citizens' Advisory Committee members.

Mr. Odom advised that each Board member would need to appoint a member for confirmation by the Board as a whole.

Ms. Campbell reappointed Ms. Deborah Benn to the Committee. The vote to confirm Ms. Benn's reappointment was unanimous.

Dr. Walker reappointed Mr. Tim Common to the Committee. The vote to confirm Mr. Common's reappointment was unanimous.

Chairman Benson reappointed Mr. Charles Green to the Committee. The vote to confirm Mr. Green's reappointment was unanimous.

Mr. Perkins reappointed Ms. Louse B. Ritz to the Committee. The vote to confirm Ms. Ritz's reappointment was unanimous.

Mr. McCorvey reappointed Mr. Hurey Smith to the Committee. The vote to confirm Mr. Smith's reappointment was unanimous.

Ms. Kelley Thompson and Mr. Chuck Kimball were nominated for reappointment to the Committee as the two at-large members. The vote to confirm the reappointment of Ms. Thompson and Mr. Kimball was unanimous.

(f) Approval of staff advisor to the Citizens' Advisory Committee

A motion was made by Ms. Campbell, seconded by Mr. McCorvey, to approve Executive Director Stephen E. Sorrell to serve as the staff advisor to the Citizens' Advisory Committee. Motion carried 5-0.

(g) Appointment of Parliamentarian

A motion was made by Mr. Perkins, and seconded, to appoint Mr. Bradley S. Odom to serve as the Parliamentarian. Motion carried 5-0.

(h) Adoption of schedule of regular Board meetings for 2015

A motion was made by Mr. Perkins, seconded by Ms. Campbell, to approve the meeting schedule for 2015 as submitted. Motion carried 5-0.

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ITEM 6 - OPEN FORUM

None.

ITEM 7 - ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the organizational meeting of the Emerald Coast Utilities Authority Board, Chairman Benson declared the meeting adjourned at approximately 2:11 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: