MINUTES OF THE ECUA CITIZENS' ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD WEDNESDAY, JUNE 18, 2014 AT 2:00 P.M. IN THE ECUA BOARD ROOM AT 9255 STURDEVANT STREET, ELLYSON INDUSTRIAL PARK, PENSACOLA, FL

Members present:	Lois Benson, Chairman Deborah Benn Vicki Campbell Tim Common Charles Green Chuck Kimball Dale Perkins Louise Ritz Hurey Smith Larry Walker
Members absent:	Elvin McCorvey, Vice Chairman Kelley Thompson
Staff present:	Steve Sorrell, Executive Director Nathalie Bowers, Public Information Officer Debra Buckley, Director of Finance Ernest Dawson, Director of Regional Services Tom Dawson, Director of Water Production Tim Haag, Director of Government Affairs Amanda Handrahan, Recycling Coordinator Steve Holcomb, Director of Wastewater Infrastructure Linda Iversen, Executive Assistant to the Board Bill Johnson, Director of Engineering Ned McMath, Deputy Executive Director-Utility Operations Don Palmer, Director of Water Reclamation Gerry Piscopo, Director of Maintenance and Construction – Utility Operations David Roberts, Director of Information Technology Jim Roberts, Public Information Officer Randy Rudd, Deputy Executive Director-Shared Services Patricia Sheldon, Director of Budgets and Cash Management

ITEM A - CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Benson called the regular meeting of the ECUA Citizens' Advisory Committee to order at approximately 1:57 p.m.

ECUA Citizens' Advisory
Committee meeting 06/18/14

ITEM B - INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

ITEM C - ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Ms. Ritz requested that an update on the Perdido Key mouse crossings be added to the agenda.

Mr. Sorrell advised that a revised page 99 (Item 9 recommendation) was before the Committee.

A motion was made by Mr. Common, seconded by Ms. Ritz, to adopt the agenda as presented and amended. Motion carried 9-0 with Mr. Smith arriving after the vote.

ITEM D - OPEN FORUM

There were no comments from the audience.

ITEM E - APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Mr. Kimball, seconded by Ms. Benn, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of May 21, 2014 as presented. Motion carried 10-0.

ITEM F - FISCAL YEAR 2015 BUDGET

(1) Capital Improvements – Water and Wastewater

Chairman Benson suggested that Projects RW906-Replace antiquated water lines, and RW412-Downtown Water System Grid Improvements replace project RA408-Vehicle R&R Program-Ellyson, on the list of proposed CIP projects.

A motion was made by Dr. Walker, seconded by Mr. Green, to approve the entire list [of proposed CIP projects] as presented.

Mr. Rudd addressed the Committee explaining the R & R program and stating that he highly recommends that the R & R program not be deleted.

An amendment to the motion was made by Ms. Campbell, seconded by Mr. Common, that the following projects be included above the line, which would result in a rate adjustment of 2.66%.

RW906 - Replace antiquated water lines
CS420 - Reclaimed water main extension-Gulf Power UWF
RW507R - Water service renewals
CA406C - Water system security
RW412 - Downtown Water System Grid Improvements
CS317 - Sewer expansion and septic tank abatement program

Mr. Common stated he would propose that if this entire list is what staff recommends, then he feels that all projects should be approved and that would be at the 3% level.

A substitute motion was made by Mr. Green, seconded by Mr. Common, to go with the 3% rate hike, which would include the list of projects reflected no page 35.

A substitute motion was made by Ms. Benn to accept the list as presented. *Motion died for lack of a second.*

The vote on the substitute motion as made by Mr. Green failed 4-6 with Messes. Benson, Benn, Ritz and Messrs. Kimball, Perkins and Smith voting against the motion.

The vote on the main motion as made by Dr. Walker carried 10-0.

(2) Capital Improvements - Sanitation

A motion was made by Ms. Ritz, seconded by Mr. Perkins, to approve the list of proposed sanitation projects as reflected on page 84. Motion carried 10-0.

Ms. Campbell inquired about informing the commercial businesses that ECUA now offers service to them. Chairman Benson stated that if nothing else, it should be reflected on the ECUA web site.

(3) Operating budget

A motion was made by Mr. Perkins, seconded by Ms. Campbell, to hold consideration of the operating budget until the next Committee meeting. Motion carried 10-0.

ECUA Citizens' Advisory
Committee meeting 06/18/14

ITEM G - MANHOLE AND VALVE BOX ADJUSTMENTS - CITY OF PENSACOLA'S 2014 RESURFACING PROGRAM

A motion was made by Mr. Common, seconded by Ms. Benn, that the Board authorize the Executive Director to enter into an agreement with the City of Pensacola for reimbursement of costs associated with Manhole and Valve Box Adjustments – City of Pensacola 2014 Resurfacing Program, and establish a project with a budget of $150,000 with funds from CIP Project CR405 – General Utility Relocates. Motion carried 10-0.

ITEM H - AWARD OF CHEMICAL CONTRACTS - ALUMINUM SULFATE AND SODIUM HYPOCHLORITE

A motion was made by Ms. Campbell, seconded by Mr. Kimball, that the Board award the contract for aluminum sulfate to the low bidder, Southern Ionics, Inc., in the amount of $213.65 per dry ton, and sodium hypochlorite to the low bidder, Allied Universal Corporation, in the amount of $0.734 per gallon for one year, with two one-year options to extend, with the agreement of the supplier and the ECUA Board, and authorize payment from the appropriate line items from the operating budgets of the different wastewater plants. Motion carried 10-0.

ITEM I - CONSULTING ENGINEER'S REPORT AND FINANCIAL FEASIBILITY STUDY

A motion was made by Mr. Perkins, seconded by Ms. Campbell, that the Board (a) adopt the Executive Director's proposed ranking of proposals for the Consulting Engineers Report and Financial Feasibility Study as follows: (1) Raftelis Financial Consultants, Inc.; (2) Willdan Financial Services; and (3) Arcadis; and (b) authorize the Executive Director to negotiate with those firms in that rank order and execute all required documents for the study to be performed. Project funding shall be from Operating Contingency. Motion carried 10-0.

ITEM J - INFORMATIONAL REPORTS:

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

(1) Regional Services monthly report - May 2014
(2) Water Production monthly report - May 2014

ECUA Citizens' Advisory
Committee meeting 06/18/14

ITEM K - UNFINISHED BUSINESS

(1) Update – Perdido Key FDOT Mouse Crossings

Mr. Sorrell informed the Committee that at this time, FDOT is going ahead with the project and will bill ECUA for the work.

Dr. Walker stated that he attempted to get a meeting scheduled with Governor Scott to discuss this issue but was referred to meet with the FDOT Secretary. Further, a meeting with the FDOT Secretary could not be scheduled any time sooner than the end of July and he feels that would be too late.

ITEM L - NEW BUSINESS

(1) Ms. Campbell informed the Committee that 200 volunteer students from all over the United States is in town to assist with helping the needy. Further, she hoped good reports about Pensacola would leave with the students.

(2) Mr. Green suggested that ECUA look into going paperless with its billing in a particular area for one month to make a determination of the possibility of going entirely paperless. Chairman Benson referred this issue to staff and asked that staff report back to the Committee next month.

(3) Dr. Walker informed the Committee that Andrew McKay of Radio 1690 has put together a pod cast, available on the 1690 web site, correcting the inaccurate comments that Commissioner Valentino made, during a radio interview, regarding ECUA and the flood debris pickup.

ITEM M - 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 3:07 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Stephen E. Sorrell
Executive Director and
Secretary

ECUA Citizens' Advisory
Committee meeting 06/18/14

APPROVED BY THE ECUA CITIZENS' ADVISORY
COMMITTEE IN A MEETING ON _____.

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