

**MINUTES OF THE ECUA CITIZENS' ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 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
Elvin McCorvey, Vice Chairman
Deborah Benn
Vicki Campbell
Tim Common
Dale Perkins
Louise Ritz
Hurey Smith
Kelley Thompson
Larry Walker

Members absent: Charles Green
Chuck Kimball

Counsel present: Bradley S. Odom

Staff present: Steve Sorrell, Executive Director
Nathalie Bowers, Public Information Officer
Debra Buckley, Director of Finance
Tom Dawson, Director of Water Production
Amanda Handrahan, Recycling Coordinator
Linda Iversen, Executive Assistant to the Board
David Roberts, Director of Information Technology
Patricia Sheldon, Director of Budgets and Cash
Management
Gloria Whittaker-Driver, Laboratory Manager

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

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

ITEM C - ADOPTION OF AGENDA

A motion was made by Mr. McCorvey, seconded by Mr. Common, to adopt the agenda as presented and amended. Motion carried 10-0.

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ITEM D - OPEN FORUM

There were no comments from the audience.

ITEM F - APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Mr. McCorvey, seconded by Ms. Ritz, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of October 15, 2014 as presented. Motion carried 10-0.

ITEM F - RENEWAL OF MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT – SUNGARD PUBLIC SECTOR SOFTWARE

A motion was made by Mr. Common, seconded by Mr. McCorvey, that the Board waive the competitive bidding process for all of the above-stated reasons and authorize the Executive Director to renew the maintenance contract with SunGard Public Sector, Inc., at a cost of \$105,296.92 with funds allocated from the appropriate budget line item. Motion carried 10-0.

ITEM G - RENEWAL OF ANNUAL UNIT PRICE CONTRACT – CURED-IN-PLACE PIPELINE REHABILITATION

A motion was made by Mr. Common, seconded by Mr. McCorvey, that the Board approve the one-year extension of the Cured-In-Place Pipeline Rehabilitation contract with Suncoast Infrastructure, Inc., in accordance with the existing contract, with funding from CIP Project RS625U. Motion carried 10-0.

ITEM H - RENEWAL OF ANNUAL UNIT PRICE CONTRACT – MANHOLE REHABILITATION

A motion was made by Mr. McCorvey, seconded by Ms. Campbell, that the Board approve the one-year extension of the manhole rehabilitation contract with SBP, Inc., in accordance with the terms of the contract, with funding from CIP Project RS113K. Motion carried 10-0.

ITEM I - PROPOSED REVISIONS TO ECUA'S CROSS CONNECTION CONTROL (CCC) PROGRAM

A motion was made by Ms. Ritz, seconded by Mr. McCorvey, that the Board approve Option 1, with any necessary funding for the current fiscal year through existing funding in the Operating Budget, and (a) that staff notify residential water customers, affected by the FDEP Rule, of the requirement for

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the installation of back flow prevention devices or assemblies within 60 days. The customer will be responsible for the installation, initial testing, biannual follow-up testing/ inspection, and maintenance of the device or assembly; (b) that a Double Check be approved as minimum protection in lieu of a dual check; and (c) that when a Pressure Vacuum Breaker (PVB) backflow prevention assembly is installed, the property owner's licensed plumber must certify that the installed PVB backflow prevention assembly is higher in elevation than all the sprinkler heads.

Staff provided a brief overview of the requirements of the FDEP rule regarding backflow prevention.

Mr. Perkins spoke against the policy stating that he feels it is "taxation without representation".

A substitute motion was made by Mr. Perkins that we request assistance from the Legislative Delegation in repealing FDEP Rule 62-555.360.

Mr. Odom stated that the rule is currently in effect and the first report is due in 2017. Further, in response to a question from Mr. Common, Mr. Odom stated that ECUA is in violation of the rule right now and if ECUA goes to the Legislative Delegation with this issue, this will be delayed until January when the Delegation goes into session.

The vote on the substitute motion carried 6-4 with Ms. Ritz and Messrs. McCorvey, Smith and Walker voting against the motion.

The vote on the substitute motion as the main motion carried 6-4 with Ms. Ritz and Messrs. McCorvey, Smith and Walker voting against the motion.

A motion was made by Ms. Campbell, seconded by Dr. Walker, that the Board approve Option 1, with any necessary funding for the current fiscal year through existing funding in the Operating Budget, and (a) that staff notify residential water customers, affected by the FDEP Rule, of the requirement for the installation of back flow prevention devices or assemblies within 60 days. The customer will be responsible for the installation, initial testing, biannual follow-up testing/ inspection, and maintenance of the device or assembly; (b) that a Double Check be approved as minimum protection in lieu of a dual check; and (c) that when a Pressure Vacuum Breaker (PVB) backflow prevention assembly is installed, the property owner's licensed plumber must certify that the installed PVB backflow prevention assembly is higher in elevation than all the sprinkler heads.

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An amendment to the motion was made by Ms. Campbell, seconded by Ms. Thompson, to move the date to May 1, 2015 and have staff move in that direction with the letters to the customers.

Another amendment was made by Ms. Campbell, seconded by Ms. Thompson, to allow 120 days for customer compliance rather than the 60 days.

The vote on the amendments carried 6-4 with Ms. Ritz and Messrs. McCorvey, Smith and Walker voting against the amendments.

The motion was restated by Mr. Odom, incorporating the amendments as follows:

That the Board approve Option 1, with any necessary funding for the current fiscal year through existing funding in the Operating Budget, and (a) that *on May 1, 2015*, staff notify residential water customers, affected by the FDEP Rule, of the requirement for the installation of back flow prevention devices or assemblies within *120* days. The customer will be responsible for the installation, initial testing, biannual follow-up testing/ inspection, and maintenance of the device or assembly; (b) that a Double Check be approved as minimum protection in lieu of a dual check; and (c) that when a Pressure Vacuum Breaker (PVB) backflow prevention assembly is installed, the property owner's licensed plumber must certify that the installed PVB backflow prevention assembly is higher in elevation than all the sprinkler heads.

The vote on the motion as amended carried 7-3 with Messes. Benson, Ritz and Mr. Perkins voting against the motion.

A motion was made by Mr. Perkins, seconded by Ms. Campbell, to utilize any means ECUA has to inform customer of the pending action/rule. Motion carried 8-2 with Messrs. McCorvey and Walker voting against the motion.

ITEM J - INFORMATIONAL REPORTS:

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

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

ITEM K - UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- (1) Home Depot (Campbell)

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Ms. Campbell requested that Mr. Odom provide an update on the issue of filter promotions by Home Depot. Mr. Odom relayed that he actually had a representative from a third party visit his home within the week and they are clearly implying there are health risks associated with the tap water. Mr. Perkins asked that Mr. Odom e-mail to him the name of the third party.

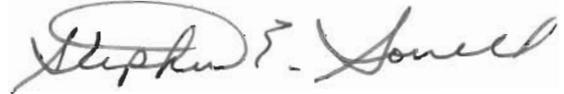
ITEM L - NEW BUSINESS

None.

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 3:53 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



**Stephen E. Sorrell
Executive Director and
Secretary**

**APPROVED BY THE ECUA CITIZENS' ADVISORY
COMMITTEE IN A MEETING ON 01/21/15.**

- Without corrections/amendments.
 With corrections/amendments being: