

**MINUTES OF THE EMERALD COAST UTILITIES AUTHORITY BOARD MEETING  
HELD THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2016 AT 2:00 P.M. IN THE ECUA BOARD  
ROOM AT 9255 STURDEVANT STREET, ELLYSON INDUSTRIAL PARK,  
PENSACOLA, FL**

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

**Counsel present:** Bradley S. Odom

**Staff present:** Stephen E. Sorrell, Executive Director  
Nathalie Bowers, Public Information Officer  
Debra Buckley, Director of Finance  
John Daane, Director of Information Technology  
Tim Haag, Director of Government Affairs  
Amanda Handrahan, Recycling Coordinator  
Linda Iversen, Executive Assistant to the Board  
Bill Johnson, Director of Engineering  
Jim Roberts, Public Information Officer  
Patricia Sheldon, Director of Budgets and Cash  
Management

**ITEM 1 – INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Prior to calling the regular meeting of the Board to order, Chairman Benson provided the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ITEM 2 – CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Benson called the regular meeting of the Emerald Coast Utilities Authority Board to order at approximately 1:59 p.m.

**ITEM 3 – ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

Mr. Sorrell advised the Board that a revised (typographical correction) page 38 to Item 8(g) was before them, as well as a revised Item 8(i) and a handout (Exhibit "A") to Item 8(j).

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

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**ITEM 4 - PUBLIC HEARINGS**

- (a) **2:00 p.m. – Proposed establishment of revised sanitation service charges in Santa Rosa County**

Chairman Benson convened the public hearing at approximately 2:04 p.m. There were no comments from the audience and the hearing was closed.

- (b) **Adoption of Resolution 16-03**

A motion was made by Dr. Walker, seconded by Mr. McCorvey, to adopt Resolution 16-03 - A FINAL RATE SETTING RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING REVISED RESIDENTIAL SANITATION SERVICE CHARGES IN SANTA ROSA COUNTY, FLORIDA; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. Motion carried 5-0.

**ITEM 5 - OPEN FORUM**

Chairman Benson advised of the procedure and format that would be utilized for Open Forum. The following individuals addressed the Board stating they were in opposition to the construction of emergency storage tanks planned for Guillemard Street adjacent to the Moreno Street lift station.

Ms. Jeannine VanReeth  
113 W. Moreno Street  
Pensacola, FL 32501

Mr. Byron Keesler  
516 W. Blount Street  
Pensacola, FL 32501

Mr. Tag Purvis  
519 N. Palafox Street  
Pensacola, FL 32501

Mr. Kenny Holt  
1601 N. Reus Street  
Pensacola, FL 32501

Ms. Melanie Nichols  
14 E. Gonzalez Street  
Pensacola, FL 32503

Mr. David Trac  
416 E. Blount Street  
Pensacola, FL 32503

Ms. Julia H. Heoschler  
905 N. Barcelona Street  
Pensacola, FL 32501

Ms. Dorothy H. Dubuison  
1308 N. Barcelona Street  
Pensacola, FL 32501

Bobbie Godwin  
100 W. DeSoto Street  
Pensacola, FL 32501

Mr. Jimmy Jones  
375 W. Lloyd Street  
Pensacola, FL 32501

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**Mr. Gary Watson**  
1308 N. Barcelona Street  
Pensacola, FL 32501

**Mr. Donald Lindsey**  
1737 North Palafox Street  
Pensacola, FL 32501

**Mr. George Mead**  
1009 N. Reus Street  
Pensacola, FL 32501

**Mr. Brian Spencer**  
3 E. Zaragoza Street  
Pensacola, FL 32502

**Mr. Philip Partington**  
359 W. Lloyd Street  
Pensacola, FL 32501

**Mr. Pat Regan**  
120 W. Brainerd Street  
Pensacola, FL 32501

**ITEM 6 - PRESENTATIONS**

Mr. Bill Johnson, Director of Engineering, provided a presentation of the Guillemard Storage Tanks project.

At the conclusion of Open Forum and Presentations, Chairman Benson called for a recess at 3:15 p.m. Chairman Benson reconvened the Board meeting at approximately 3:25 p.m.

**ITEM 7 - APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

A motion was made by Dr. Walker, seconded by Ms. Campbell, to approve the minutes of the regular Board meeting of January 28, 2016 as presented. Motion carried 4-0. Mr. Perkins was absent during voting.

**ITEM 8 - OPERATIONAL ITEMS:**

(a) **Disposition of Surplus Property – former lift station 140 site**

A motion was made by Mr. McCorvey, seconded by Ms. Campbell, to approve and concur in the findings of the Executive Director and authorize the disposition of the former Lift Station 140 site at 101 Sheppard Street, Cantonment, Florida. Motion carried 5-0.

(b) **Adoption of Resolution 16-04**

A motion was made by Mr. McCorvey, seconded by Dr. Walker, to adopt Resolution 16-04 - A RESOLUTION FINDING THE FORMER LIFT STATION 140 SITE AT 101 SHEPPARD STREET IN CANTONMENT, FLORIDA TO BE NO LONGER NECESSARY, USEFUL, OR PROFITABLE IN THE OPERATION OF THE UTILITY SYSTEMS OF THE EMERALD COAST UTILITIES AUTHORITY;

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**AUTHORIZING ITS DISPOSITION; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

Motion carried 5-0.

(c) Extension of chemical contract – hydrofluosilicic acid

A motion was made by Ms. Campbell, seconded by Mr. Perkins, to approve the second year of two optional one-year contract extensions of the original contract with Hawkins, Inc., Oviedo, FL, for the supply of hydrofluosilicic acid at an estimated annual cost of \$75,000.00, with funding from the appropriate budget line item. Motion carried 5-0.

(d) Award of bid – Ongoing water line cleaning program – Pensacola Bay and Bauer Road

A motion was made by Mr. Perkins, seconded by Mr. McCorvey, to waive the bidding process based on the experience of the contractor and the need to complete the cleaning process prior to our peak demand period, and award the contract for Ongoing Waterline Cleaning Program to Professional Piping Services, Inc., for the proposal in the approximate amount of \$120,000, with funds allocated from CIP Project RW920F. Motion carried 5-0.

(e) Award of bid – Sanitary sewer manhole rehabilitation – annual unit-price contract

A motion was made by Mr. McCorvey, seconded by Mr. Perkins, to award the annual unit-price contract for Sanitary Sewer Manhole Rehabilitation to BLD Services, LLC, Kenner, LA, the low bidder, with funding from CIP Project RS113M – Sanitary Sewer Manhole Rehabilitation, supplemented by CIP Project RS624 – Infiltration and Inflow, as needed. Motion carried 5-0.

(f) Award of bid – Cured-in-place pipeline rehabilitation – annual unit-price contract

A motion was made by Mr. McCorvey, seconded by Ms. Campbell, to award the annual unit-price contract for Cured-in-Place Pipeline Rehabilitation to Suncoast Infrastructure, Inc., Florence, MS, the low bidder, with funding from CIP Project RS636U – Cured-in-Place Pipeline Rehabilitation Annual Contract supplemented by CIP Project RS624 – Infiltration and Inflow, as needed. Motion carried 5-0.

(g) Award of bid – Thousand Oaks sewer expansion

A motion was made by Mr. McCorvey, seconded by Dr. Walker, to reject the bid submitted by Roberson Underground Utility, Inc., as it is not a

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responsible bidder; and award the contract for the Thousand Oaks sewer expansion project in the Base Bid amount of \$3,619,164.79, to the lowest qualified bidder, Utility Service Company, Inc., with funding from CIP Project CS318K and transfers in the amounts of \$1,200,000.00 and \$2,200,000.00 from CIP Project CS317 and CIP Project RS951, respectively. Motion carried 5-0.

(h) Engineering service proposal – Nine Mile Road (Pine Forest Road to US 29) utility relocations

A motion was made by Dr. Walker, seconded by Mr. McCorvey, to authorize the Executive Director to execute the proposal provided by JHI for the engineering services to design water and sewer relocations/expansions along West Nine Mile Road to accommodate the anticipated future development, at the proposed cost of \$127,470, with funding from CIP Project CR526A. Motion carried 5-0.

(i) Navy Federal Credit Union – Utility Service Agreement (USA) - replacing unsuitable materials

A motion was made by Ms. Campbell, seconded by Mr. McCorvey, authorize the Executive Director to execute an amendment to the Utility Service Agreement between ECUA and Navy Federal Credit Union for reimbursement of costs relating to soil replacement in the estimated amount of \$110,000 associated with ECUA's request to install additional gravity sewer from lift station #236 to Nine Mile Road, with \$110,000 from CIP Project RS121 - Lift Station Replacement and Upgrade being transferred to CIP Project CA005N - Navy Federal Credit Union Site Expansion. Motion carried 5-0.

(j) Protection of wastewater transmission main – Power of Eminent Domain

A motion was made by Mr. Perkins, seconded by Dr. Walker, to authorize the Board Chairman to formally request the approval of the Board of County Commissioners for Escambia County, Florida for ECUA to exercise its power of eminent domain for purposes of securing the above-described property near Rolling Hills. Motion carried 5-0.

(k) Investment Management Services

A motion was made by Ms. Campbell, seconded by Mr. Perkins, to authorize the Executive Director to notify DFIM of ECUA's contract cancellation for investment management services, and authorize the Executive Director to negotiate and enter into a contract with PTA under the same price, terms, and conditions, as the current contract, with the sole substantive change being a

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clarification in the Scope of Services which is for ECUA's benefit, and a minor change in the description of how the monthly fee is calculated. Motion carried 5-0.

**ITEM 9 - INFORMATIONAL REPORTS**

None.

**ITEM 10 - EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:**

Mr. Sorrell informed the Board that staff has been working with the Santa Rosa Island Authority (SRIA) on a suitable site for the ground storage tank project on Pensacola Beach for reclaimed water. SRIA has had the site appraised and is offering the lease of the site for bid. Further, Mr. Sorrell indicated that he would need Board approval to submit a bid by March 1.

A motion was made by Mr. Perkins, seconded by Ms. Campbell, to authorize the Executive Director to proceed with a bid as indicated. Motion carried 5-0.

Mr. Sorrell also provided verbal updates on the following projects/topics.

1. Storage tanks on Pensacola Beach for reclaimed water
2. Partnership with Escambia County on tornado damage clean-up

**ITEM 11 - ATTORNEY'S REPORT**

Mr. Odom reported that they will be bringing an operating agreement for the interim materials recycling facility (MRF) to the Board in March. Also, they have been sending out letters to those entities that have indicated they would like to utilize the ECUA MRF.

Further, Mr. Odom indicated that a mediation session was held with the City of Pensacola concerning the Airport well, which resulted in an impasse. Mr. Odom stated that he would be willing to discuss the issue individually with each Board member.

Mr. Perkins suggested contacting the City of Milton regarding their utilization of the MRF.

Mr. Sorrell provided on the current status of the MRF, stating the construction is on schedule and the equipment will process approximately 25

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tons per hour. Further, based on the known amount of recyclables that will be received, it is almost at capacity prior to start-up.

Ms. Campbell indicated that she would like to see an educational element to the MRF and offer educational student tours of the facility.

**ITEM 12 - UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None.

**ITEM 13 - NEW BUSINESS**

(a) Mr. Perkins stated that he would encourage staff to work with the City of Pensacola to provide our assistance on what to do with the frontage and building on Palafox Street.

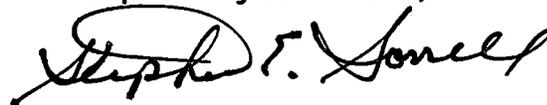
**ITEM 14 - BOARD COMMUNICATIONS**

Mr. McCorvey thanked Mr. Johnson for his presentation, stating it was very informative.

**ITEM 15 - ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the regular meeting of the Emerald Coast Utilities Authority Board, Chairman Benson declared the meeting adjourned at approximately 4:03 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Stephen E. Sorrell  
Executive Director and  
Secretary

APPROVED BY THE ECUA BOARD  
IN REGULAR SESSION ON 03/24/16.

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