

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF KISSIMMEE UTILITY AUTHORITY,  
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2009 at 3:30 P.M., BRINSON BOARD ROOM,  
ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 1701 W CARROLL STREET, KISSIMMEE, FLORIDA.**

Present were Chairman Fred Cumbie, Vice Chairman Nancy Gemskie, Director James Kasper, Director Reginald Hardee, Mayor Jim Swan, General Counsel Grant Lacerte, General Manager James Welsh and Recording Secretary Leticia Rivera. Director George Gant was not present.

A. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Chairman Cumbie called the meeting to order at 3:30 pm.

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

The Board and staff recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

C. INSTALLATION OF NEW BOARD MEMBER

Jim Kasper was sworn in for his second term as a KUA Board member.

Chairman Cumbie introduced Nick Guarriello, President of FMPA and Vince Ruano, Chairman of FMPA's Board of Directors. Mr. Ruano presented a Resolution to Jim Welsh. The resolution, adopted by FMPA's Board of Directors at the September 24 meeting, recognizes Jim for significant accomplishments during his three-year tenure as FMPA Chairman, including guiding the Agency through a change in leadership, overseeing the modernization of the Agency's governance structure and assisting in the development of FMPA's 2009 strategic plan.

D. AWARDS AND PRESENTATIONS

1. FMEA 2009 COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD

Chris Gent, Vice President of Corporate Communications advised that FMEA has presented its 2009 Community Service Award to KUA for its strong commitment to addressing community needs. FMEA Director Barry Moline presented the award to KUA during ceremonies held Sept 15 at the association's Utility Day and Trade Show in Gainesville.

2. FRANK R. STANSBERRY ETHICS AWARD

Grant Lacerte, Vice President & General Counsel presented the Orlando Chapter of the Public Relations Society of America's 2009 Frank R. Stansberry Ethics Award to KUA for its strong commitment to workplace ethics that goes beyond legal requirements or industry expectations. PRSA President Kena Lewis presented the award to KUA during ceremonies held September 17<sup>th</sup> in Orlando.

3. 5-YEAR SERVICE AWARD – NIYESSA HUNTER, CUSTOMER SERVICE REPRESENTATIVE II, CUSTOMER SERVICE

4. 5-YEAR SERVICE AWARD – YOMARIE MEDINA, CLERICAL ASSISTANT II, INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

5. 15-YEAR SERVICE AWARD – DIANE SWEENOR, CUSTOMER SERVICE REPRESENTATIVE II, CUSTOMER SERVICE

6. 15-YEAR SERVICE AWARD-MARCIAL DIAZ, INSTRUMENT & CONTROLS TECHNICIAN, POWER SUPPLY

7. 15-YEAR SERVICE AWARD – NEUTE JOHNSON, UTILITY WORKER, POWER SUPPLY
8. 15-YEAR SERVICE AWARD – MICHAEL TAYLOR, LINEMAN FIRST CLASS, ENGINEERING & OPERATIONS
9. 15-YEAR SERVICE AWARD – DAVID AVILES, SHIFT SUPERVISOR-O/M, POWER SUPPLY
10. 15-YEAR SERVICE AWARD – BOB CHYWSKI, PP OPERATOR / MECHANIC, POWER SUPPLY
11. 15-YEAR SERVICE AWARD – MATT WETZEL, SUBSTATION ELECTRICIAN, ENGINEERING & OPERATIONS
12. 15-YEAR SERVICE AWARD – TIM BRIGGS, INSTRUMENT & CONTROLS TECHNICIAN, POWER SUPPLY
13. 20-YEAR SERVICE AWARD – WAVERLY PADGETT, CUSTOMER SERVICE REPRESENTATIVE II, CUSTOMER SERVICE
14. 20-YEAR SERVICE AWARD – TONY WILSON, INVENTORY COORDINATOR, ENGINEERING & OPERATIONS
15. 20-YEAR SERVICE AWARD – ALAN BURKHARDT, DEPUTY SUPERINTENDENT T & D OPERATIONS, ENGINEERING & OPERATIONS
16. 20-YEAR SERVICE AWARD – LARRY CROUCH, JR, FIELD SERVICE SPECIALIST, CUSTOMER SERVICE
17. 20-YEAR SERVICE AWARD – BRUCE THOMPSON, DEPUTY SUPERINTENDENT T & D OPS, ENGINEERING & OPERATIONS
18. 25-YEAR SERVICE AWARD – JOHNNIE HEWITT, CUSTOMER SERVICE REPRESENTATIVE II, CUSTOMER SERVICE

Mr. Welsh thanked and congratulated each of the employees for their combined 255 years of service.

19. EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH FOR OCTOBER – JOE WATSON, CERTIFIED SYSTEM OPERATOR, SYSTEM COMPLIANCE & OPERATIONS

Mr. Watson was not able to attend the Board meeting however; Mr. Welsh publically thanked him for his hard work.

- E. HEAR THE AUDIENCE - None
- F. INFORMATIONAL PRESENTATIONS (REQUIRING NO ACTION) - None
- G. CONSENT AGENDA

**ACTION:** Director Kasper made a motion, seconded by Director Hardee to approve items 1- 4 on the consent agenda.

**MOTION PASSED 4 – 0**

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR SEPTEMBER 2, 2009 REGULAR MEETING

## 2. KISSIMMEE VALLEY LIVESTOCK SHOW AND FAIR SPONSORSHIP

Recommendation: Staff recommends a \$10,000 sponsorship to the Kissimmee Valley Livestock Show and Fair, Inc.

## 3. COMMUNITY VISION SPONSORSHIP

Recommendation: Staff recommends sponsorship of Community Vision at the \$10,000 level of sponsorship for 2009.

## 4. VIVA OSCEOLA SPONSORSHIP

Recommendation: Staff recommends a \$10,000 sponsorship for the 2009 Visa Osceola event.

## H. PUBLIC HEARING

### 1. GENERAL SERVICE RATES

Joe Hostetler, Vice President of Finance & Risk Management reminded the Board that at the September 2, 2009 KUA Board meeting, staff was authorized to send the General Service rate tariff to the Florida Public Service Commission for review and to advertise for a public hearing tonight, October 7<sup>th</sup> and to implement the rate on November 1, 2009, pending Board approval..

Mr. Hostetler advised that under this rate the small commercial customer will have a lower rate if the energy charge is lower than or equal to 1,500 kWh and a higher rate if the consumption is greater than 1,500 kWh.

**ACTION:** Director Hardee made a motion, seconded by Director Gemskie contingent upon Florida Public Service Commission review and approval; approve the GS Conservation Rate tariff to become effective November 1, 2009.

**MOTION PASSED 3 – 1**  
Reginald Hardee voted yes  
Nancy Gemskie voted yes  
Jim Kasper voted yes  
Fred Cumbie voted no

## I. OLD BUSINESS

### 1. LOCAL VENDOR PREFERENCE

Joe Hostetler, Vice President of Finance & Risk Management provided the Board with a Local Vendor Preference Policy as requested at the September 2<sup>nd</sup> Board meeting. Mr. Hostetler advised that the policy includes all the key points that were discussed at last month's meeting which included, a 5% variance to match low bid, a one year sunset clause and defined the local area as including Osceola County.

Mr. Hostetler also advised that there was an additional clause noted in the policy which excludes Transmission and Distribution electric materials and services from the Local Vendor policy.

**ACTION:** Director Hardee made a motion, seconded by Director Gemskie to execute Policy Directive D09-02.

**MOTION PASSED 4 – 0**

J. NEW BUSINESS - None

K. STAFF REPORTS

1. QUARTERLY PROGRESS REPORT ON ENGINEERING & OPERATIONS  
DEPARTMENT PROJECTS

Ken Davis, Vice President of Engineering & Operations provided an overview of open departmental projects.

L. HEAR ATTORNEY, GENERAL MANAGER, DIRECTORS

Mr. Welsh informed the Board of next month's Board meeting and of upcoming events. Mr. Welsh advised that next month the election of officers will take place.

Mayor Swan thanked Mr. Welsh for appearing before the Commission earlier in the week to provide some history on the All Requirements Project and other issues.

Director Hardee advised that due to the hot weather, high usage and the cost of fuel that his bill came high. Mr. Hardee suggested having staff research some options to set in place so that next year during the hot summer months the customers won't have such high bills. Mrs. Postans advised she is looking into the billing cycles as this can be adjusted for next year's hot season.

M. ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Cumbie adjourned the Board meeting at 4:27 pm.

  
Chairman

  
Secretary