

MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF KISSIMMEE UTILITY AUTHORITY, WEDNESDAY, JUNE 5, 2002, 4:00 P.M., BRINSON BOARDROOM, ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 1701 WEST CARROLL STREET, KISSIMMEE, FLORIDA.

Present were Chairman Walter, Director Hart, Director Shearer, Director Gemskie, Mayor Gant, Attorney Brinson, General Manager Welsh and Recording Secretary Fizer. Director Toro was absent.

A. **MEETING CALLED TO ORDER** at 4:10 P.M. by Chairman Walter.

B. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Board and staff recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

C. **BOARD MEMBER APPLICANT REVIEW**

Prior to calling the board applicants for interview, Chairman Walter discussed with the Board and General Manager the procedures that would be followed for each candidate. He emphasized to the other board members that at any time they wish to ask the applicant a follow up question, please do not hesitate to do so. He indicated that General Manager Welsh would ask a series of standard questions and the applicant would be asked to answer to the best of their ability. General Manager Welsh noted that per the KUA charter the only qualification needed was for the applicant to demonstrate a professional or business management career background.

Chairman Walter noted that Director Toro would not be present as a board member because he was one of the applicants.

Director Hart arrived at 4:20 PM.

Attorney Brinson escorted Domingo Toro from the lobby to the board room at 4:25 PM.

Chairman Walter welcomed Mr. Toro. Mr. Welsh reported that he was acting as a facilitator of the questioning process and would not be taking part in making the decision on whose name would be submitted to the City of Kissimmee for approval.

Mr. Welsh asked Mr. Toro questions, he answered and responded to additional questions asked by the Board. Mr. Toro said he felt he could contribute to the KUA because he has five years experience on the Board and he continues to attend conferences offered to expand his knowledge of the electric utility industry.

Mr. Toro left the meeting and the Board discussed his qualifications.

At 4:44 PM Attorney Brinson escorted James Kasper to the board room. He was introduced to the Board. Mr. Welsh explained that he would be the facilitator of the questioning process and Chairman Walter said that it would be a very informal interview. He also offered that Mr. Kasper should feel free to ask questions any time during the process and thanked him for taking the time to interview before the Board.

Mr. Welsh presented the standard questions to Mr. Kasper. He answered them and responded to any additional questions asked by the Board. Mr. Kasper expressed he wanted to give back to the community by serving on a board that serves the public. He said he thought his presentation and business background would add to the Board.

Mr. Kasper left the meeting and the Board discussed his qualifications.

Chairman Walter recessed the meeting from 5:10 PM to 5:38 PM.

At 5:40 PM Attorney Brinson escorted Mohammad Khan to the meeting. He was introduced to the Board and welcomed by Chairman Walter. Mr. Welsh explained that he would be facilitating the process and Chairman Walter expressed that the interview would be informal and Mr. Khan should ask questions at anytime throughout the interviewing process. General Manager Welsh asked the standard questions. Mr. Khan answered to the best of his knowledge and the Board asked additional questions. Mr. Khan gave the Board a brief description of his background in the water industry and his current job status.

Mr. Khan was once again thanked by the Board for applying for the board seat and he left the meeting. Discussion was held by the Board on his qualifications. Chairman Walter recessed the

meeting at 6:02 PM.

At 6:08 PM Attorney Brinson escorted Norbert Charles to the meeting. He was introduced to the Board and the interviewing process was described to him by General Manager Welsh and by Chairman Walter. Mr. Charles said he was interested in serving the community and did not realize when he filled out the board application that it was for the Kissimmee Utility Authority. He answered the questions that were asked. Mr. Charles asked the Board several questions on what the time requirements were and the specific duties of a KUA Board member. Upon completion of the interview, Chairman Walter thanked Mr. Charles and he left the meeting.

Discussion was held on the qualifications of Mr. Charles and Mayor Gant said he was going to check into why the School of Government forwarded applications to KUA instead of the applicant asking for it to be done. General Manager Welsh said he would like to request that the applications not be handed out during the School of Government but that the interested persons contact KUA and they would be sent the necessary information for applying.

Attorney Brinson escorted Kris O'Horo to the meeting at 6:38 PM. He was introduced to the Board and welcomed by Chairman Walter. General Manager Welsh explained to Mr. O'Horo that he would be facilitating the process but would not have any part in the selection process. Mr. O'Horo answered the prepared questions asked by Mr. Welsh and the Board also asked for additional information. Mr. O'Horo said he was an analytical thinker and thought it would bring a different dimension to the Board if he were selected.

Upon his departure, the Board discussed the five applicants and their qualifications. Each board member emphasized that the candidates each brought something different to the interview and they narrowed their selection down. It was determined that Domingo Toro did have an edge because of his experience on the Board over the past five years.

Discussion was held on making sure all the applicants knew they could apply for future board seats. Attorney Brinson noted that the next seat to come open would be a County seat, which means that the person could live in the county. It is not a requirement that they live in the county. Chairman Walter said he thought it necessary to encourage applicants to reapply and that the Board needed to seriously consider keeping a County seat to represent those citizens outside of the city limits.

ACTION: Motion by Director Hart, seconded by Director Gemskie, to authorize the General Manager to submit Domingo Toro's name to the City Commission for their approval.

Motion carried 4 - 0

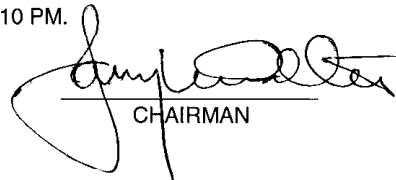
D. HEAR GENERAL MANAGER, ATTORNEY, DIRECTORS

General Manager Welsh reminded the Board that there would be a special board meeting on June 19th for the budget approval and the regular board meeting would be on June 26th. Both meetings would begin at 5:30 PM. No other comments were received.

E. ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Walter adjourned the meeting at 7:10 PM.


SECRETARY


CHAIRMAN