

City of Gainesville

City Hall
200 East University Avenue
Gainesville, Florida 32601



Minutes

January 13, 2022

6:30 PM

Modified Agenda

City Hall Auditorium

Utility Advisory Board

Wes Wheeler (Member)
Barry Jacobson (Member)
Carla Lewis (Member)
Theresa Spurling-Wood (Non-Voting Member)
Tim Rockwell (Member)
Don Davis (Non-Voting Member)
Fletcher Crowe (Member)
Jason Fults (Member)

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CALL TO ORDER: 6:31 PM

ROLL CALL

ADOPTION OF CONSENT AGENDA

[210809.](#) **Minutes of the December 9, 2021 UAB Meeting (B)**

Attachments: [210809 UAB 12.9.21 Mtg Minutes 20220113](#)

RECOMMENDATION *Approve minutes as drafted.*

Pass the Consent Agenda

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

The agenda was adopted with the following modification: Remove item 210812 from the agenda.

Citizen Nathan Skop spoke on the motion.

Adopted

CITIZEN COMMENT

Citizens Nathan Skop and Mark Goldstein spoke.

STATE OF THE UTILITY

[210810.](#) **GRU Operational Update for the Month of December 2021 (B)**

Attachments: [210810 GRU Dec 2021 Ops Update All Depts 20220113](#)

Report received.

Citizen Nathan Skop spoke on the item.

RECOMMENDATION *Receive report.*

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

[210811.](#) **Reusable Fuels Presentation (B)**

Attachments: [810811 Reusable Fuels 20220113](#)

Presentation heard.

Citizens Mark Goldstein, Nathan Skop, Roberta Gastmeyer, Nancy Deren, Janice Garry spoke on the item.

RECOMMENDATION

The UAB receive a presentation from Public Works and GRU staff.

[210812.](#)

Transferring the Gainesville Regional Utilities (GRU) Real Property Asset, Boulware Springs Park and Historic Water Works, to the City of Gainesville's Parks, Recreation & Cultural Affairs (PRCA) Division (NB)

This item was removed at staff's request during the adoption of the agenda

RECOMMENDATION

The City Commission approve the transfer of the Boulware Springs property & structures and the operation & maintenance of the structures and grounds in perpetuity from GRU to the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs Department.

Stricken From the Agenda

MEMBER COMMENT

Member Jacobson requested that staff come to the January 25, 2022 workshop prepared to answer the questions he asked following a presentation on natural gas in a previous meeting.

Member Crowe requested an explanation on a discrepancy between GRU's reported number for capital outlay in two different sources. The general manager responded that the difference is one source is net present value.

Member Lewis expressed her thanks to staff Yvette Carter and David Warm for their participation in and assistance with the November public workshops and thanked the board members that came out as well. Chair Wheeler told her that the commission had requested another public workshop be held in the Northwood neighborhood area and Member Lewis stated that she will follow up with staff on that.

Member Fults stated that he will not be able to attend the January 25, 2022 workshop.

Chair Wheeler requested that staff put discussions of LEEP, DSM and a presentation from the CWC on the February agenda and reiterated that staff should be prepared to answer Member Jacobson's questions at the January 25th workshop.

CITIZEN COMMENT

Citizen Nathan Skop spoke.

NEXT MEETING DATE

January 25, 2022 - Workshop

February 10, 2022 - Regular Meeting

ADJOURNMENT: 8:07 p.m.