

City of Gainesville

*City Hall
200 East University Avenue
Gainesville, Florida 32601*



Minutes

October 19, 2016

3:00 PM

MODIFIED AGENDA

City Hall Auditorium

Utility Advisory Board

*Annie Orlando
Darin Cook
David Denslow
Robert Walpole
Mary Alford
Sandra Campbell
Michael Selvester*

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CALL TO ORDER**ROLL CALL****ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA****APPROVAL OF MINUTES****[160467.](#) UAB SEPTEMBER 14, 2016 MEETING MINUTES (B)**

Attachments: [160467 UAB 9-14-16 Meeting Minutes 20161019](#)

The minutes of the September were approved with the following amendment to item 160374: It is the Board's opinion that any funding provided to LEEP should come from General Government's budget and not from GRU.

Staff liaison Robin Baxley made a clarification on the minutes from the August 29th workshop and the August 29th special meeting. The original minutes from the workshop stated that all members were present and the original minutes from the special meeting stated that members Denslow and Walpole were absent. When the minutes went up for approval by the Board on September 14th, the Board amended the minutes of both meetings to state that member Walpole was present. However, a later review of the recordings of both meetings showed that member Denslow was not present for either the workshop or the special meeting and member Walpole was present for the workshop but not for the special meeting. The Board voted to note this in the record so that the correct information is officially acknowledged.

RECOMMENDATION *Approve the minutes of the September 14, 2016 UAB meeting as drafted.*

CITIZEN COMMENT

Citizen Jim Konish spoke.

STATE OF THE UTILITY**OLD BUSINESS****[160471.](#) OPERATIONS DASHBOARD (B)**

Attachments: [160471 GRU Sept Ops Report 20161019](#)
[160471 Energy Delivery - Retail Monthly Gas Sales 20161019](#)
[160471 Energy Delivery Projects September Update 20161019](#)
[160471 Energy Delivery Reliability September Update 20161019](#)
[160471 Ener Supp Sept Load Curves-Attach A 20161019.pdf](#)
[160471 Energy Supply - Sept Ops Stats 20161019](#)
[160471 Energy Supply Project Narrative 20161019](#)
[160471 ES Sept Peak Load Per Day-Attach B 20161019.pdf](#)
[160471 GRU AR Units Limits 20161019](#)
[160471 W-WW Sept 2016 Ops Update 20161019](#)
[160471 Sept 16 Ops Update Pres 20161019](#)

Chief Operating Officer Tom Brown gave an updates on the failed turbosorb equipment at Deerhaven and Hurricane Matthew.

Member Orlando asked staff to provide emissions output data for GREC.

Member Alford asked staff to provide goals/criteria with our operational updates for the sake of comparison.

Member Cook asked why there was a jump in gas sales in FY14 and FY15. Staff will research and send the answer to the Board.

RECOMMENDATION *Review Operational Data for September 2016*

160085.

UAB VISION STATEMENT, DISCUSSION TOPICS AND COMMISSION REFERRALS (B)

Attachments: [Item 160085 - Submitted by Annie Orlando 6.15.16](#)
[Item 160085 - Submitted by Sandy Campbell 6.15.16_001](#)
[160085 UAB Topics List 2016.08.17](#)
[160085 UAB CCom Referral List 2016.08.17](#)
[160085 UAB CCom Referral List 20160829](#)
[160085 UAB Topics List 20160829](#)
[160085 UAB Draft Mission Statement 20161019](#)

Chair Cook presented the following mission statement for consideration of the board: The Utility Advisory Board advises Gainesville Regional Utilities (GRU) and the Gainesville City Commission to ensure the continued success and health of GRU, competitive rates, an excellent customer experience and an appropriate return on investment to the City of Gainesville.

Member Orlando made a motion to adopt the mission state as drafted. Member Walpole seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

The Board discussed the City Commission outstanding referral list. They voted to ask the Commission to remove:

Item #130812 - GRU Electric Wholesale Sales Strategy

Item #130957 - Energy Supply Planning (Power 2020)

The Board voted to retain:

Item #150371 - Penny Per Kilowatt

Item #150728 - Water Shut-Off Alternatives

Item #160278 - Underground Utilities

Chair Cook stated that he met with Mayor Poe and they discussed the possibility of having another joint CCom/UAB meeting in January. The Board agreed to have a joint meeting in January if the CCom votes to have the meeting. They agreed to discuss their priorities for GRU with the Commission at that meeting. In the meantime, members will submit their top 2-3 priorities to the staff liaison no later than November 9, 2016 for discussion at the November 16, 2016 UAB meeting.

RECOMMENDATION

- 1) Finalize the vision statement.
- 2) Review and prioritize the City Commission referral list
- 3) Review and prioritize the discussion topics submitted by board members.

NEW BUSINESS

[160468.](#)

UNDERSTANDING RATING AGENCIES (B)

Attachments: [160468 Rating Agencies Presentation 20161019](#)

Karl Pfiel of Wells-Fargo gave an informational presentation.

RECOMMENDATION

Hear a presentation.

[160469.](#)

FY17 COMMERCIAL PAPER ISSUANCE (B)

Attachments: [160469 UAB Commercial Paper Presentation 20161019](#)

CFO Justin Locke gave an informational presentation.

Citizen Ray Washington spoke to the matter.

RECOMMENDATION

Hear a presentation from staff.

[160470.](#)

SOVEREIGN IMMUNITY (B)

Attachments: [160470 Sovereign Immunity Florida Memo 20161019](#)

[160470 Sovereign Immunity Florida Presentation 20161019](#)

Member Michael Selvester gave an informational presentation.

RECOMMENDATION

Hear a presentation from board member Michael Selvester.

[160211.](#)

ENERGY EFFICIENCY SUBCOMMITTEE UPDATE (NB)

Attachments: [160211 FY 16 LEEP and Weatherization Presentation 20160720](#)
[160211 Conservation Programs 20160913](#)
[160211 LEEP Customer Folder 20160913](#)
[160211 LEEPplus Folder 20160913](#)
[160211 LEEP Installments 20160914](#)
[160211 Denslow on LEEP Program 20161019](#)
[160211 Denslow on LEEP Program 20161026](#)

The subcommittee update was deferred to the November 16, 2016 meeting.

RECOMMENDATION *The UAB hear an update from the Energy Efficiency Subcommittee.*

[160472.](#) **NEXT JOINT CITY COMMISSION/UAB MEETING (NB)**

This item was discussed in conjunction with item 160085.

RECOMMENDATION *Discuss the next joint meeting with the City Commission.*

MEMBER COMMENT

Member Alford discussed her trip to Austin Texas with the Chamber of Commerce. She said that their biomass plant is a sister plant to GREC and that they were successful in renegotiating the terms of their contract without litigation.

CITIZEN COMMENT

Citizens Donald Shepherd and Ray Washington spoke.

NEXT MEETING DATE

November 16, 2016

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:24 p.m.