

Florida Governmental Utility Authority

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Thursday, January 19, 2023

WebEx Video Conference

Board Members Present

Pam Keyes, Chair, Lee County
Tina Malmberg, Citrus County
David Allen, Pasco County
Tamara Richardson, Vice Chair, Polk County
Jody Kirkman, Marion County
Heidi Petito, Flagler County

Staff Present

Rob Dickson, FGUA Capital Program Manager, GSG
William Fontaine, FGUA Operations Manager, GSG
Matt Rihs, FGUA Community Services Manager, GSG
Gene Adams, FGUA General Counsel, Pennington
Dana Collier, FGUA IT Manager, GSG
Kristen Mollenkopf, FGUA West Area Community Services Supervisor, GSG
John Nieves, FGUA Central Area Community Services Representative
Donna Lizotte, FGUA South Area Community Services Representative
Mike Sweet, FGUA West Region Area Manager, GSG
Mike Currier, FGUA South Region Area Manager, GSG
John Worrell, FGUA Central Region Area Manager
Heather Rafferty, GIS Coordinator, GSG
Lauren Duckworth, FGUA Board Clerk
Heather Encinosa, Utility Counsel, NG&N
Mickey Joseph, Chief Financial Officer, FGUA
Paul Arnett, Development Services Coordinator, GSG
Scott Towler, FGUA Assistant System Manager, GSG
Darius Bell, Development Services Technician, GSG

Guests Present

Lina Quintero, U.S. Water Services Corporation
Chris Saliba, U.S. Water Services Corporation
Gary Deremer, U.S. Water Services Corporation
Rob Ori, Raftelis
Shannon Lewis, City of Melbourne
Glen Salyer, Lee County

Call to Order

Ms. Pam Keyes called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

Invocation

Ms. Pam Keyes provided the invocation.

Pledge of Allegiance

Ms. Pam Keyes led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

Public Comment

No members of the public were present to speak. Ms. Jane Gentile-Youd provided written comments to be incorporated into the minutes. Comments are below.

Good morning Mr. Adams

The minutes of both meetings of my comments are accurate. Thank you.

I cannot attend today's meeting by phone as I have obligations to the Kiwanis club following the Tiger Bay luncheon. Kindly, if possible, add my remarks on issues **not pertaining to the** rate increase in addition to my comment regarding the rate increase for Plantation Bay users.

- 1) I want a firm commitment on bid dates for NEW wastewater tank and NEW water tank which have been canceled twice knowing the URGENCY and NECSSITY of both replacements.
- 2) Future notices regarding ANY changes etc. should be sent to the Plantation Bay Community Association Manager who Ms. Petito is familiar with, Ms. Margie Hall who is able to send an e-mail blast to EVERY SINGLE WATER USER as well as post said dates on our two LED entrance signs. Publishing 3 weeks prior to a meeting in a newspaper hardly read, in .6 font when Ms. Petito is well aware that a CHEAPER more efficient manner is to notify the HOA directly.
- 2) **Wishing everyone a 'Merry Christmas' but NOT also "Happy Chanukah" 3 days before the world wide largest Jewish Holiday was commencing just 3 days after the December 15th meeting, as opposed to Christmas which began 9 days after the meeting (Chanukah was from sundown December 18 through sundown December) WAS INEXCUSABLE, INSULTING As well as inappropriately MIXING A CHOSEN RELIGION TO A QUASI STATE GOVERNMENT MEETING".**
- 3) **RATE INCREASE PLANTATION BAY:**

My only additional comments to those made on both quasi-public hearings I wish to add:

ICI billing department NEVER received public notice on rate increase. They did receive the notices on the connection fee hearing and miscellaneous hearing and that is WHY Dick Smith was present. Additionally, Heidi Petito represents the Water users NOT developers and her voicing concern regarding a builder's future connection fees and ignoring the known fact of no new wastewater tank nor new water tank dates or funding were even on the agenda is disgraceful. Ms. Petito was Director of Flagler County General Services from 2015 until she became Manager and was in TOTAL charge of the water facility then owned by Flagler County. The other county employee, Faith Alkatabib is our county engineer who was getting bids to replace both tanks as far back as 2014! Ms. Petito is a FGUA BOARD MEMBER AND IS RESPONSIBLE TO THE USERS IN FLAGLER COUNTY (AND VOLUSIA C OUNTY) WHOSE SOLE WATER SOURCE IS F G U A. it is reprehensible that she did not contact our Community Association not even by phone 386 437-0038 to INSURE the best possible notice of the date time and rate issue would be open LOCALLY to those - the people's health, welfare and safety she is responsible for as a Flagler County Official, I is beyond reprehensible that although her personal office is FEET from the commission chambers where the other properly noticed meetings were being held, she did not attend this meeting stating she had another commitment (. what could have been more important than the health of over 5,000 human beings she is in charge of protecting, BOTH AS AN FGUA BOARD MEMBER AND AS FLAGLER COUNTY CHIEF ADMINISTRATOR?

LAST COMMENT: If future notices regarding any FGUA policies MUST be communicated by phone to P Baya HOA and to the BP Gas Station across the road and Dixie Commons users as well as EMAIL in addition to mis-happen 3rd party vendor mailing agencies.

THANK YOU. I REQUEST THESE COMMENTS BE PART OF THE OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE MEETING TODAY.

Mr. Adams, I thank you for your continued respect for my right to participate in my health under your client's control.

Sincerely and officially as a Bay water user and payer

Jane Gentile-Youd
3 Magnolia Drive North
Plantation Bay
Flagler County

Public Hearing

PH 1 Continuation of Public Hearing Concerning Updates to Capacity Connection Fees for Flagler Utility System and Approval of Resolution 2023-13

Mr. Steve Spratt and Mr. Rob Ori explained the revised fees to the Board.

Ms. Pam Keyes opened the public hearing. No members of the public were present to speak. Ms. Keyes closed the public hearing. Ms. Heidi Petito thanks the FGUA for working with ICI Homes to create a resolution.

Ms. Heidi Petito motioned to approve Resolution 2023-13. Mr. David Allen seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion was unanimously approved.

Minutes

M 1 Approval of the December 15, 2022, FGUA Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Ms. Heidi Petito motioned to approve M1. Ms. Tamara Richardson seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion was unanimously approved.

Consent Agenda

CA 1 Acceptance of the Conveyance Closeout Package for Mitchell Ranch 54 West Phase 4, FGUA Developer Project No. 21-008 SSD Located in the Pasco (Seven Springs) Utility System in Pasco County, Florida and Authorization for Staff to Record the Conveyance Documents in the Public Records of Pasco County, Florida

CA 2 Approval of Amendment No. 2 to Work Authorization No. KH 20-02 with Kimley-Horn related to the Rainbow Springs Decommissioning Project, FGUA Project No. DUPO6, located in the Dunnellon Utility System, Marion County in the lump sum amount of \$2,475.00

Mr. David Allen motioned to approve CA 1 & CA 2. Ms. Tamara Richardson seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion was unanimously approved.

Finance and Administration

FA 1 Other Items

Operations

OP 1 An Overview of the Accelerated Growth of Development Projects

Please find Powerpoint Presentation attached.

Informational Items

IN 1 Monthly Status Update on the Capital Improvement Project (CIP) Program

The Capital Improvement Project report was provided to the Board.

IN 2 Monthly Status Update on the Community Outreach Program

The Update on the Community Outreach Program was provided to the Board.

IN 2a Public Comment Follow-up Report

The follow up report was provided to the Board.

IN 3 FGUA Monthly Inactive Account Collection Summary

The Inactive Account Collection Summary was provided to the Board.

IN 4 Monthly Report on Executed Utility Infrastructure Conveyance and Service Agreements

The Monthly Report on Executed Utility Infrastructure Conveyance and Service Agreements was provided to the Board.

System Manager

SM 1 Election of Officers

Ms. Pam Keyes nominated Ms. Tamara Richardson to take over the role of FGUA Board Chair. Ms. Tamara Richardson accepted.

Ms. Heidi Petito motioned to approve Ms. Tamara Richardson becoming FGUA Board Chair. Mr. David Allen seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion was unanimously approved.

Mr. Shane Parker's vice chair role was continued through the 2023 year. Ms. Pam Keyes nominated herself to fill the other vice chair role.

Mr. David Allen motioned to approve Mr. Shane Parker and Ms. Pam Keyes as vice chairs. Ms. Tamara Richardson seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion was unanimously approved.

Mr. Steve Spratt nominated himself to continue with the role as Secretary/Treasurer.

Ms. Heidi Petito motioned to approve Steve Spratt as secretary/treasurer. Mr. David Allen seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion was unanimously approved.

SM 2 Sumter County Update

Mr. Steve Spratt provided a brief update regarding Sumter County. The Sumter County Commission and the Lake Panasoffkee Water Association had requested that the FGUA step in and serve the Lake Pan water service area to develop Municipal Wastewater Services Infrastructure where it currently has none. The County government has paid for all of the preliminary planning of the infrastructure strategy at this point. The Lake Pan Association is very supportive, and both passed resolutions. The FGUA is now attempting to obtain funding in order to continue that more detailed design work facilities plan. This will prepare the FGUA to be positioned for larger SRF state funding. Included in the packet is a letter of request to their legislative delegation from Sumter County Commission chairman putting forth the FGUA's request for \$1.1 million. FGUA is receiving positive feedback. FGUA has also created a request for inclusion with the FDEP.

SM 3 Howey in the Hills Developer Progression

Mr. Steve Spratt deferred this item to the February 16, 2023, board meeting.

Utility Counsel

UC 1 Other Items

General Counsel

GC 1 Other Items

Board Items

BD 1 Other Item

Ms. Pam Keyes asked all Board Members if they had anything further to discuss. Ms. Keyes adjourned the FGUA Board of Directors meeting at 1:35 p.m.

Chair/Vice Chair