

JEA
BOARD MINUTES
September 15, 2009

The JEA Board held its pre-Board briefing at 8:30 AM on Tuesday, September 15, 2009 in the Chair's office on the 8th Floor, 21 W. Church Street, Jacksonville, Florida. Present were Cynthia Austin, Cathy Whatley, Ashton Hudson, Jay Fant, Jim Gilmore, Mike Hightower, Ron Townsend and Jim Dickenson. Debra Braga from the Office of General Counsel and Billie Tucker of CEO Service Bureau were also in attendance.

The pre-Board briefing discussion consisted of the following:

1. Vivie Stamper, Process Support Associate, was given thanks for creating the newly developed JEA Board Website.
2. The next Board Retreat will occur Thursday, September 17, 2009, 8:30 AM – 3:00 PM at the offices of The Energy Authority (TEA), located on the 26th floor of the AT&T Building, 301 W. Bay Street, Suite 2600. Parking is located at 520 W. Forsyth Street. Agenda includes Board Governance and developing policies around tough issues going forward. Dress is business casual.
3. The Rating Agency trip is December 9, 10 and 11. Cynthia Austin, Ashton Hudson, Jim Gilmore and Mike Hightower are confirmed to attend. Ron Townsend, Jay Fant and Cathy Whatley will be unable to attend this year. Council President Richard Clark has accepted invitation and will attend.
4. Other items of discussion included: City Council Budget Approval Process, City Contribution, School Board, Biomass Contract, Procurement Appeals Process Procedure and the Charter Review Commission.

With no action taken and no further business claiming the attention of the Board, the pre-Board briefing was adjourned at 9:30 AM; the Board took a short break and moved to the meeting room for its regularly scheduled meeting.

The JEA Board met in regular session on Tuesday, September 15, 2009 in the 8th Floor Board Meeting Room, 21 W. Church Street, Jacksonville, Florida. Present were Chair Cynthia Austin, Cathy Whatley, Ashton Hudson, Jay Fant, Jim Gilmore, Mike Hightower, Ron Townsend and Jim Dickenson. Debra Braga from the Office of General Counsel and Billie Tucker of CEO Service Bureau were also in attendance.

Agenda Item I – Welcome

The meeting was called to order at 9:42 AM by Chair Austin.

The **Invocation** was given by Mr. Fant.

The **Pledge of Allegiance** was led by Mr. Townsend.

The **Safety Briefing** was given by Marlene Murphy-Roach, Vice President Customer Relationships

Agenda Item II –Presentations and Comments

- A. **The Association for Work Process Improvement, Inc. (TAWPI) Document & Forms Automation Award** – Marlene Murphy Roach, Vice President Customer Relationships introduced the award to the Board stating it was received on behalf of JEA's automated meter reading system, which has now been in place for six (6) years. Ms. Murphy-Roach then introduced Wayne Young, Director Meter Reading, Billing and Collections, who presented the Board with the award JEA received, in relation to the automated meter reading system, for being recognized as an organization which demonstrates creative business processes, innovative development, and exceptional application technology improvement. Mr. Young acknowledged his colleagues, Mr. David Nechvatal, Manager Meter Reading, and Mr. Donald Nasby, Appointed Staff, Meter Reading, for

their hard work and due diligence in making the automated meter reading system the success that it is.

- B. Community Collaboration** – Susan Hughes, Chief Officer Human Resources, introduced Carol Higley, Manager Corporate Workforce Planning, who gave a presentation, *Community Collaboration, Exposure to JEA Careers*, to the Board. The presentation included highlights on the collaboration such as: its mission of workforce readiness; the utilization of career academic high schools; teacher externships, JEA's partnership with The Bridge of NE Florida (mentoring) and The Pace Center for Girls (job shadowing). Mrs. Higley briefed the Board on the recent six-week job shadowing experience with Pace girls at JEA, and then introduced Ms. Janet Terlouw, Program Director of Pace, and Samantha Thomas, student of Pace who was one of the five students involved in the experience, who both spoke of the rewards gained, rewards such as realizing that hope and dreams come true, and how important a meaningful job can be to achieving such. Ms. Terlouw and Ms. Thomas thanked JEA for a wonderful, consequential experience.
- C. Comments from the Public**
- Mr. Thomas Thomas, 5353 Arlington Expressway, #60, expressed his opinion on flat rates for utilities.
- D. Council Liaison's Comments** – Councilman Stephen Joost was proud to relay that JEA's 2010 budget was recently passed by City Council with no changes. Councilman Joost also relayed that during recent town meetings and such, he has been speaking out against Cap and Trade, and stressed to the Board the astonishment of the community of what could be, not fully realizing the consequences of that Bill if passed. Councilman Joost urged all to communicate details of the Bill when given the opportunity, to engage the public in dialogue.

Agenda Item III – For Board Consideration

- A. Consent Agenda** - used for items that require no explanation, discussion or presentation and are approved by one motion and vote. When staff or Board Members wish to discuss an item on the Consent Agenda, it must be removed and addressed later in the meeting. Upon motion by Mr. Hightower and second by Mr. Townsend, items 1 through 5 on the consent agenda were approved and items 6 and 7 were received for information only.
1. Adoption of Agenda – adopted as published
 2. Approval of minutes of the August 18, 2009 meeting – approved.
 3. Resolution Requesting Appointment of a Civil Service Board Member – approved.
 4. 668 Transmission Line Damage Lawsuit – approved.
 5. JEA Fiscal Year 2010 Debt Financings Relating to Electric System, Water and Sewer System, SJRPP and Bulk Power Supply System – approved.
 6. Monthly Operations Report – received for information only.
 7. Monthly Financial Update – received for information only.
- B. Strategic Discussions/Action**
1. **Renewable Generation Interconnection Agreement** – Upon motion by Mr. Fant and Mr. Hightower's second, the Board unanimously authorized Staff to file JEA's Renewable Generation Interconnection Agreement with the Public Service Commission (PSC) as part of our electric tariff.
 2. **The Health of the St. Johns River: Protecting a Valuable Community Asset and Managing our Waste – Working Both in Tandem** – Scott Kelly, Vice President Water/Wastewater Systems, Paul Steinbrecher, Director Environmental Services and Brian

Roche, Director Financial Planning, Budgets and Rates shared a presentation for information and discussion, with sections including a Wastewater System Overview, Other JEA Programs that Protect the St. Johns River and Cost Impact Scenarios of Potential Regulatory Requirement Water and Wastewater.

- C. **Other New Business** – None
- D. **Old Business** – None

Agenda Item IV – Reports

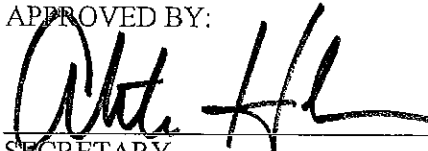
- A. **Committee** – None
- B. **Managing Director/CEO's Report** – Mr. Dickenson reiterated to the Board the purpose of the 'Summer Series', informative presentations that show the active engagement of JEA on important current and potential regulatory and environmental issues/changes that affect our business.
- C. **Chair's Report** – Mrs. Austin stated she was pleased and proud of the passed budget and thanked Councilman Joost and JEA Staff for their active roles played in such.

Agenda Item V – Closing Considerations

- A. **Announcements** -- none
- B. **Adjournment**

With no further business claiming the attention of the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 11:50 AM.


APPROVED BY:



SECRETARY

DATE: 10-20-09

Board meeting recorded by:



Nancy NesSmith

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