

JEA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES
February 28, 2023

The JEA Board met in regular session at 9:00 am on Tuesday, February 28, 2023, on the 19th Floor, 21 W. Church Street, Jacksonville, Florida. The public was invited to attend this meeting in-person at the physical location and virtually via WebEx.

WELCOME

Meeting Called to Order – Board Chair Bobby Stein called the meeting to order at 9:00 am. Board members in attendance were Marty Lanahan, John Baker, General Joseph DiSalvo, Rick Morales, and Tom VanOsdol. Board member Dr. Zachary Faison attended the meeting virtually.

Others in attendance in-person were Jay Stowe, Managing Director/CEO, Jody Brooks, Chief Administrative Officer; Laura Dutton, Chief Strategy Officer; Raynetta Curry Marshall, Chief Operating Officer; David Emanuel, Chief Human Resources Officer; Sheila Pressley, Chief Customer Officer; Ted Phillips, Chief Financial Officer; Laura Schepis, Chief External Affairs Officer; Regina Ross, Chief Legal Officer, Office of General Counsel; Jordan Pope, Vice President, Corporate Strategy; Madricka Jones, Executive Assistant to the CEO, and Melissa Charleroy, Manager, Board Services.

Time of Reflection – A moment of reflection was observed by all.

Adoption of the Agenda – On *motion* by Board Vice Chair Lanahan and seconded by Mr. Baker, the agenda was approved.

Values Moment – Due to unforeseen technical issues, Brian Pippin, Director, Customer Experience Insights and Solutions was unable to provide the Values Moment. Mr. Stowe covered the subject of integrity in the Managing Director/CEO update.

COMMENTS / PRESENTATIONS

Council Liaison's Comments – Chair Stein thanked Council Member Michael Boylan for his work on the homeless situation in the Jacksonville area. Council Member Boylan extended appreciation to JEA management and the Board of Directors for the good work being done by the organization and announced the nomination of Board members Marty Lanahan and Tom VanOsdol to a second term.

Comments from the Public

In-Person Public Comments:

Ms. Lisa Williams, spoke to the Board on renewable energy.

Mr. Logan Cross, representing the Sierra Club of Northeast Florida and member of the Electric Integrated Resource Plan (IRP) Stakeholder Advisory Committee, spoke to the Board on renewable energy.

Ms. Lori Ann, JEA customer, spoke to the Board on renewable energy.

Dr. Joshua Melko, Associate Professor of Chemistry at the University of North Florida, spoke to the Board on the Inflation Reduction Act and the provisions it gives to make renewable energy tax credits available to public power entities like JEA.

Mr. John Burr spoke to the Board regarding climate change and lowering fossil fuel emissions.

Email Public Comments: Located in the Informational Materials section

WebEx Public Comments: Due to unforeseen technical issues with WebEx, online public comments were unavailable.

Managing Director / CEO Report – Jay Stowe, Managing Director/CEO, recognized team members that volunteered on the beautification project at Windy Hill Elementary School. Mr. Stowe called upon Ms. Marshall to provide and update on the fire at the Northside Generating Station. Mr. Stowe highlighted the JEA hosted Black History Month event, received recognition for the second year in a row on the Forbes list of Best Midsized Employers, and the Employee Engagement Survey that is currently underway. Mr. Stowe recognized Ms. Pressley and team members that hosted 25 utilities for The Low Income Energy Issues Forum focusing on affordability solutions. Mr. Stowe reviewed legislative matters and the Integrated Resource Plan Stakeholder Engagement meeting held on February 2, 2023.

JEA Performance Update – Jesus Garcia, Director, Customer Relationship Management Systems, provided an update of the JEA Performance Scorecard data through January 31, 2023. Focusing on the strategic focus areas, Mr. Garcia highlighted results for sanitary sewer overflows, estimated time to restoration, and safety. This presentation was received for information.

RATE HEARING

Meeting Called to Order – Board Chair Stein called the rate hearing to order at 9:43am and asked for Public Comments regarding today's Rate Hearing.

In-Person Public Comments:

Mr. Ben Frazier discussed the rate increase proposal and the effects it could potentially have on lower income households.

Email Public Comments: None

Virtual Comments:

Mr. Bruce Stevens addressed the Board on how the rate increase would impact he and his wife.

Mr. Mike Ludwick, member of the Northside Coalition of Jacksonville, urged the Board to keep the basic charge and reinstate the conservation charge to prevent less of an impact on lower usage customers.

Ms. Sarah Harper addressed the Board regarding the rate increase and the comparison of usage in smaller homes to larger ones.

Rates Overview – Due to technical difficulties, Victor Blackshear, Director, Financial Planning & Rates was unable to present. Board Chair Stein called upon Ted Phillips, Chief Financial Officer. Mr. Phillips provided a review of the FY23 electric rate adjustment illustrations; electric residential bill presentment; rates & fees recommendations to include updating electric rates to achieve target revenues, revise electric tariffs to align with rate objectives, and revise water & sewer tariff to align with the pricing policy. Board members held discussions.

On *motion* by General DiSalvo and seconded by Rick Morales, Resolution 2023-13 including Electric and Water and Sewer Tariff Document changes were approved.

Chair Stein adjourned the Rate Hearing and returned to the regular Board meeting at 10:28 am.

FOR BOARD CONSIDERATION

CONSENT AGENDA

The Consent Agenda consists of agenda items that require Board approval but are routine in nature or have been discussed in previous public meetings of the Board.

On *motion* by Marty Lanahan and seconded by John Baker, all Consent Agenda items were approved.

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Chair Stein stepped out at 10:31 am and returned at 10:32 am.

Government Relations Update – Laura Schepis, Chief External Affairs Officer, provided the Board with an overview of the legislation and policy discussions under Speaker Paul Renner to include municipal utilities service to extra territorial customers and municipal utilities and revenue transfers to general funds. This presentation was received for information.

Plant Vogtle Update – Jody Brooks, Chief Administrative Officer, provided an update on the revised operational schedule stating Unit 3 projected date of service will be May/June 2023 and Unit 4 in the last 4th quarter 2023/1st quarter 2024. This presentation was received for information.

OTHER BUSINESS AND CLOSING CONSIDERATION


Old and Other New Business / Open Discussion – None

Chair's Report – Chair Stein commended team members and the Finance & Operations Committee on the hard work to prepare for today's rate hearing.

Announcements – Next meeting February 28, 2023

Adjournment – With no further business coming before the Board, Chair Stein declared the meeting adjourned at 10:42 am.

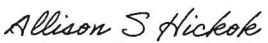
APPROVED BY:



Joseph DiSalvo, Secretary

Date: 3/28/23

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