



**AGENDA
CITY OF LAKE WORTH BEACH
ELECTRIC UTILITY CITY COMMISSION MEETING
CITY HALL CONFERENCE ROOM
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 05, 2020 – 6:00PM**

ROLL CALL:

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

AGENDA - Additions/Deletions/Reordering:

PRESENTATIONS: (there is no public comment on Presentation items)

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION OF NON-AGENDAED ITEMS:

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

- A. EUAB 09.26.19 MINUTES

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Welcome new board members
- B. 2019 Year in review
- C. Outstanding and Upcoming issues
- D. Prepare a formal statement for the next City Commission meeting

BOARD COMMENTS:

BOARD LIAISON REPORTS AND COMMENTS:

ADJOURNMENT:

If a person decides to appeal any decision made by the board, agency or commission with respect to any matter considered at such meeting or hearing, he or she will need a record of the proceedings, and that, for such purpose, he or she may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based. (F.S. 286.0105)

MINUTES
CITY OF LAKE WORTH
ELECTRIC UTILITY ADVISORY BOARD
MEETING
September 26, 2019 – 6:00 PM

The meeting was called to order by Ryan Oblander on the above date at 6:00 PM in the City Hall Conference Room, located at 7 North Dixie Highway, Lake Worth, Florida.

1. ROLL CALL:

Present were members: Ryan Oblander, Ramsay Stevens, Ibrahim Chalhoub, and new member Matthew Portilla.

Edward Liberty, the Electric Utility Director and Board Liaison was present.

Franco Bellitto, Customer Service Manager was present.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

The pledge of allegiance was led by Matthew Portilla.

3. AGENDA – Additions/Deletions/Reordering:

EUAB 07.23.19 Minutes amended.

Board conceded to remove the statement “to model the interconnection agreement from the sister City Vero beach” from the EUAB 07.23.19 Minutes.

4. PRESENTATIONS:

There were no presentations on the agenda.

5. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION OF NON-AGENDAED ITEMS:

A. Justin Hoysradt requested the statement “to model the interconnection agreement from the sister City Vero beach” removed from the EUAB 07.23.19 Minutes. Board conceded amendment to minutes.

6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

EUAB 04.10.19 MINUTES

EUAB 07.23.19 MINUTES

Action: The motion was made by Matthew Portilla to approve minutes in the agenda second by Ramsay Stevens.

Vote: Unanimous

7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

A. Resolution 34-2012 - Net Metering

City Commission adopted the new net metering program rates and credits during the August 27, 2019 meeting. During this meeting, board liaison answered questions board members had on the subject.

The Vice Chair, Ryan Oblander, and Ramsay Stevens asked if net metering customers have voiced concerns about the changes to the net metering program. Board Liaison responded that net metering customers have had one-on-one meetings with the Revenue Protection Manager, Joel Rutsky to complete the application but have not voiced concern on the changes.

Board Liaison also had one-on-one meetings with City Commissioners to discuss the grandfathering of the system and the changes to the resolution.

Ramsay Stevens considers the grandfathering of the system should have been more liberal and not just limited to the size of the system.

Ramsay Stevens suggests the City explores grid defection fees as an option. Grid defection is a customer with an independent source of power, or deserts the use of power from the main grid. Mr. Steven feels a defection fee should be applied to net metering customer upon disconnection of the main system.

Ibrahim Chalhoub stated since the City does not charge a utility disconnection fee to the non-net metered customers, the City should not charge deflection fee to the net-metered customer.

Lengthy discussion ensued.

B. Resolution 70-2013 – Utility Deposit

Resolution 70-2013 addresses the City utility deposit charged when a customer default in the account. The City will enforce resolution to reduce the number of accounts sent to collection for non-payment.

Staff stated the City Manager has since issued an Administrative Order to assist with repayment of the additional billed deposit.

Resolution 70-2013 references the events that trigger the utility deposit in a customer's account. Staff reviews

8. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Ordinance No. 2019-07 Reconstituting the Electric Utility Advisory Board

Board requested meetings be schedule on a regular basis even if there are no policy matters to be discussed.

Board Liaison stated board can schedule meetings every other month. Board liaison prefers to meet to discuss any pending policy matters as stated in the resolution.

Action: Matthew Portilla motioned to schedule regular meetings on the first Wednesday of the month second by Ramsay Steven.

Vote: Unanimous

B. Election of the New Electric Utility Advisory Board Chairperson

Action: Steve Ramsay motioned to elect Ryan Oblander as the new Electric Utility Advisory Board Chairperson second by Matthew Portilla.

Vote: Unanimous

9. BOARD COMMENTS:

The Board welcomed new EUAB member Matthew Portilla.

10. BOARD LIAISON REPORTS AND COMMENTS:

No Board Liaison comments.

11. ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at 9:45pm.



Ryan Oblander, Chairperson

ATTEST:



Sughey Moreno, Executive Secretary

Minutes Approved: February 05, 2020

A digital audio recording of this meeting is available in the Office of the City Clerk.