# Utilities Commission Meeting 28 September 2021

**Participants** Buddy Davenport, Lillian Conrad, Rich Hawes, James Smith, Counsel Thomas Cloud and GM/CEO Joe Bunch. Mayor Russ Owen administered the oath of office to new commissioner Lawrence J. Kelly, Jr. **Commission Officers unanimously elected:** J. Davenport - Chair; R. Hawes - Vice Chair. L. Conrad – Secretary/Treasurer; J. Smith - Assistant Secretary/Treasurer.

## **Consent Items** All unanimously approved.

- a. Minutes UC Meeting 8/23.
- b. Project Approval FY20211 purchase and stocking of electrical transformers
- c. Ratification of Final Payment Part 2 credits infrastructure fee final for GEOSAM It is more cost effective for the UC to have developer to complete the project.
- d. Request Approval Continuing Services with the City for road paving.
- e. Granted & Accepted 3rd party utility easement.
- f. Project Approval Industrial Park Avenue and Wayne Avenue water main.
- g. Project Approval Lift Station #15 reconstruction project.
- h. Ratification wells #2 & 3 with increase in costs.
- i. Purchase of Hydrovac trailer mounted vacuum excavator.
- **j. RFP award** annual underground utility contractor services.

## **GM Report**

FL Municipal Power Association Presentation, a wholesale power source for 31 cities, including NSB, serves 12% of FL with 26 million customers. FL uses twice as much power/customer as CA & NY, primarily due to our climate. Natural gas provides 80% of the power for FMPA. Since 2006, NSB utility rates decreased 13% as compared to an increase of 27% for the balance of the United States.

**b. BS &E Metrics** FYTD net assets change due to \$14.5 major projects expenditures: generator replacements, Smyrna substation, Sugar Mill cable work, South Beach pump station upgrade, Field Street substation capacitor bank, 10th Street road alignment and Lift Station #5 reconstruction. **August KPIs** mostly green, "Electric Reliability" had fewer outages, but they impacted more customers!

## **UC Counsel's Report:** Both unanimously approved.

Modified Developer's Agreement outlined in general terms covering items such as rates, maintenance, right of ways, etc. Subject to approval at 9.28.21 City Council meeting.

Agreement Approval transfer of utility interest to FDOT for the NSB Myrtle Avenue Trail Project. This is from an area of US 44 to 10th Street (St. John's Nature Trail).

#### 7. New Business

The UC is being proactive with the City to identify potential projects that will benefit the community re: clean water & the environment. NSB may receive a total of \$14M in federal funds that may provide the opportunity for septic systems conversion.

#### 2022 UC Meeting Schedule

1/24, 2/28, 3/28, 4/25, 5/23, 6/27, 7/25, 8/22, 9/26, 10/24, 11/28, 12/15