# Knoxville Utilities Board Board Meeting Minutes Thursday, January 20, 2022 Noon

#### Call to Order

The Knoxville Utilities Board met in regular session in the Mintha E. Roach Corporate Services and Conference Center at 4505 Middlebrook Pike, on Thursday, January 20, 2022, pursuant to the public notice published in the January 8, 2022, edition of the *News Sentinel*. Chair Jerry Askew called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m.

## **Roll Call**

Commissioners Present: Jerry Askew, Claudia Caballero, Kathy Hamilton, Celeste Herbert, Adrienne Simpson-Brown, and Tyvi Small.

Commissioner Absent: None

# **Approval of Minutes**

Upon a motion by Commissioner Small and a second by Commissioner Herbert, the December 16, 2021 Board Meeting minutes were approved by a roll call vote. The following Commissioners voted "aye": Askew, Caballero, Hamilton, Herbert, Simpson-Brown, and Small. No Commissioner voted "nay".

#### **Old Business**

None

#### **New Business**

## Oath of Office for Ron Feinbaum

Chair Askew welcomed Ron Feinbaum and asked Bill Coley, the Board's General Counsel, to administer the Oath of Office to Mr. Feinbaum.

#### **Election of 2022 Officers**

Mr. Coley stated that the Nominating Committee met on December 16, 2021, and recommended the following slate of officers for 2022: Jerry Askew, Chair; Adrienne Simpson-Brown, Vice Chair; and Senior Vice President and CFO Mark Walker as Board Secretary. He asked for other nominations and received none.

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Commissioner Herbert moved to elect the proposed slate of officers, seconded by Commissioner Small. The motion was unanimously adopted on a voice vote.

# President's Report

#### **Annual Disclosures**

President Bolas recognized Liz Hannah, Manager of Executive Services and Environmental Stewardship, to review the annual disclosure process for the Board.

## **Proactive Notifications**

President Bolas advised Commissioners that one part of our storm response is helping customers understand where we are in restoration and how long they may be out of power. In January, we've already had three events which allowed us to start using new technology to improve this process. He recognized Mark Kenner, Director of Information Services and Security, to provide an update.

# **Kuwahee Effluent Pipe Replacement**

President Bolas advised Commissioners we recently discovered an unforeseen problem with the discharge piping at our Kuwahee WWTP. It was a timesensitive and technically challenging project. He recognized Herschel Hall, an Engineer and Team Lead in Water Systems Engineering, to provide an update.

#### Other Business

None

#### **Announcement**

Susan Edwards, Senior Vice President and Chief Administrative Officer, announced that KUB held a community job fair on January 13 and 14, 2022 at the Pellissippi State Community College: Magnolia Avenue Campus and that it was well attended.

## **Public Comment**

None

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# Adjournment

There being nothing further to come before the Board, Chair Askew declared the Board meeting adjourned at 12:53 p.m.

Jerry Askew, Chair

Mark Walker, Board Secretary

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