MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE FORT PIERCE UTILITIES AUTHORITY, TUESDAY, OCTOBER 3, 2017, 4:00 P.M., CITY COMMISSION CHAMBERS.

Members Present: Chairman Glynda Cavalcanti; Vice Chairman Daniel M. DeIulio; Secretary Darryl Thomas-Bey; Deputy Secretary Michael A. Perri, Jr.; Mayor Linda Hudson; and Nick Mimms, Ex-Officio Member/City Manager.

Others present: John K. Tompeck, Director of Utilities; Amy Shevlin, Acting FPUA Attorney; Nina B. Penick, Director of Financial Services; Paul Jakubczak, Director of Electric & Gas Systems; Bowdoin G. Hutchinson, Director of Water/Wastewater Systems; Lois A. Wolfe, Human Resources Manager; and Judith A. Widmayer, Acting Community Relations Manager.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Glynda Cavalcanti.

Opening Prayer was by Larry Lammers of FPUA Electric & Gas Engineering.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The roll was called and a quorum declared.

A motion was made by Mayor Hudson, seconded by Mr. DeIulio, and unanimously carried to approve the set agenda.

Ms. Cavalcanti said prior to approval of the minutes Mr. Tompeck said he had something to add.

Mr. Tompeck said there were two typographical errors in the minutes where we used FMEA instead of FEMA in two places on page 4 of the minutes. He said those errors have been corrected in the copy that will be signed.

A motion was made by Mayor Hudson, seconded by Mr. DeIulio, and unanimously carried to approve the September 19, 2017 regular meeting minutes with corrections mentioned by Mr. Tompeck.

A motion was made by Mayor Hudson, seconded by Mr. DeIulio, and unanimously carried to approve the Consent Agenda items.

1. Approve the following nominations: Mr. Daniel M. DeIulio, Chairman; Mr. Darryl T. Bey, Vice Chairman; Mr. Michael A. Perri, Jr., Secretary; Ms. Glynda W. Cavalcanti, Deputy Secretary; and Mrs. Linda Hudson, Mayor/Member.

2. POA 17-78: Approve the piggyback of the City of Palm Coast Request for Proposal No. RFP-IT-13-01 and Contract with Danella Construction Corporation of FL., Inc., of Melbourne,

Florida, for Unit Price Contract for Communications Infrastructure and the supplemental price list for FPUA Services in an amount not to exceed $50,000 annually. The initial term of this Contract shall commence upon written Notice to Proceed and end on September 30, 2018, with four automatic one-year renewal options.

3. POA 18-10: Approve the sole source purchase of a Meter Test Board in an amount not to exceed $37,700 from Radian Research, Inc., of Lafayette, Indiana.

The gavel was handed over to new Chairman Dan DeIulio.

Mr. Tompeck said the next item is an information only presentation on reliability and hardening improvements at the Water Treatment Plant (WTP). He said Keith Stephens, our WTP Superintendent and Paul Gandy from Globaltech will make the presentation.

Keith Stephens, Water Treatment Plant Superintendent, said over the past eight years there has been a lot of work at the water plant and they have been able to reap some of those benefits in the last two years during the last two hurricanes. He said we did not have any boil water notices and have maintained the integrity of the water system during two hurricane events. The Board has approved a lot of work that Globaltech has done over the years and he asked Paul Gandy, the President of Globaltech and Dave Schumann, the Vice President of Globaltech Engineering to come and do a presentation for us. Some of this you may have seen, some of it is new, but it is definitely from a different perspective than Mr. Stephens was able to give.

Paul Gandy, President of Global Tech presented the Reliability and Hardening Improvements for the Water Treatment Plant (WTP). He said he appreciated the opportunity for all the work they have done over the years and this is the first time they have had a chance to give a presentation to the Board. He will be brief and condense about ten years of work into about 15 minutes. As Keith mentioned they have had a lot of successes after the hurricane at the WTP and part of being successful in handling the hurricanes is taking the initiative for hurricane hardening and instituting reliability improvements. Regarding hurricanes, we typically see three types of failures in post hurricane damage. Mr. Gandy said it is usually the worst, which is catastrophic and results in a complete over wash or significant wind damage that is from a direct hit and would take the facility out completely. He said the second they see is diminished capacity or diminished quality from hurricane damage. You may be able to function, but perhaps you cannot meet the flow rates or not be able to function and produce water. Third is what he would call death by 1,000 pin pricks. The systems may not be at peak maintenance, some of the redundant systems may not be available during the hurricane due to maintenance or aging. They may just not be ready for the rigors of the hurricane and an example of that is some emergency generators or diesel engines may have to run for 18 or 24 hours instead of the 2 or 4 hour test. You may get failures with your subsystems and a number of which may lead to a failure of the plant. In addition to a

lot of the work staff has initiated and done on their own, Globaltech has been involved in several of the projects out there. Mr. Gandy said he will go through a number of the projects in detail they have done for FPUA and they involve a number of the substations at the plant. He started with showing an overview of the plant and said the work they have done generally involves interconnects for the ground storage tanks that feed the high service pumping and the new hydrochloride system or bleach in place of gas. They have done significant improvements to the high service pumping facility. Shown on the left of the screen is the two lime softening treatment units as well as the lime storage silo in the center of those units, and on the right you see the filter galleries. All of these have been improved and not just from the standpoint of functionality and reliability, but also in terms of safety and operator and staff access. It is difficult to operate during and after a hurricane if staff cannot simply get to the facility or it is not safe to be out there. The new RO treatment plant is also shown on the slide. From the standpoint of the softening units on the left side of the screen, it shows the condition of the softening units prior to being rehabilitated. It shows some corrosion, which by itself does not cause failures but the drives in these systems are from the mid and late 1960's. They renovated both the softening units with new drive components, all new safety equipment, hand rails, and new coatings. On the right it shows the new softening unit rehabilitated and in operation. These are all fairly major component replacements. On the right is softening treatment unit number one and that was pretty much out of service when they started to work on it. They replaced all the components in that unit, did concrete repairs on the tank, and it is now a fully functioning unit with brand new components. On the left is softening treatment unit number two that has been completely rehabilitated. It is down for its second maintenance exercise and is one of the key things staff is able to do now in keeping these units in the ready, is they added access driveways and access doors for routine maintenance, which is important to keep them on line. There are new hand rails, stairs, and new platforms that are corrosion resistant systems, these replaced the rusted facilities that were there before. Mr. Gandy said looking at the filters in the clear wells in the plant on the left side of the screen, you can see the condition of some the equipment that experienced corrosion and disrepair over the years. He said on the right side you can see one of the new filter basins after it was rehabilitated with new coating systems. They took out all the old filter media and installed all new media, new piping valves, controls, specialized coating, and replaced all but one transfer pump. They put variable speed drives on it to give better control over the system. You can see all the new hand rails and safety grading. There are two sets of five filters and now each set of five filters has a unified control station with a touch screen display panel where the operators can quickly control or see the filters rather than having an individual control station at each filter. You will notice we have added Florida Building Code approved awnings and covers over the walkway that is important before and after the storm for the operation folks to move about the facility. The lime silo in the middle of the lime storage room with a new filter bag house, which was a part of the ongoing improvements. The next slide shows the condition of the lime silo before the renovations were done. There were some concerns there may be leakage and the piping systems were aging on the outside of the tank and may or may not be able to withstand much more in terms of hurricanes. In the center of the screen you can see the original filter bag house that was a manual operation and was not up to date of

today's standards of wind loading. All of it was replaced. Mr. Gandy said it was quite a big deal to renovate the silo and had to erect scaffolding, did steel tank repairs, new coatings, new piping on the outside, and some instrumentation on the tank where they had to wrap the tank during that process. He said it all went well, is fully functional, and in operation now. The high service pumping and ground storage was another key part of the facility. Shown on the screen on the left is the original 1965 diesel high service pump backup system that did not go out during the hurricane. It went out one Sunday morning and led to a series of rehabilitations and replacements in the high service pump building. The diesel engine as well as the pumps were replaced, but also a lot of the utilities in the ground like the large valves that control flow from the storage tanks had been deteriorated that had been in there from the 1960s. Globaltech replaced a lot of that and found one of the original valves was frozen and in a partially closed position limiting flow of the high service pump station. The Board may recognize that project as the 42" butterfly valve and tee replacement. Just recently they added new metering to the high service pump discharge, which is already providing benefits in terms of being able to control the flow from the plant. The first pump is an electric motor and diesel driven so it can run on electricity or diesel backup. This replaced the old unit that was taken out and that was the first pump assembly so to speak that was rehabilitated in the station. Sequentially they have done high service pump three and four variably frequency drives for those pumps to control the speed. Another nice feature is the control panel on the board so operational folks can go to one location inside the high service pump station and check the status and get information on all four of the pumps in the facility without having to go to each pump. That speeds up response time particularly in an emergency. Probably one of the most significant improvements from the standpoint of safety for personnel and the community was the decision to switch from chlorine gas in an outdoor facility to sodium hydrochloride liquid bleach in an enclosed facility. Other utilities are still on outdoor gas systems like this and there are a few, this is one of the most significant problems they had during hurricanes, is preparing to protect these facilities in a wind storm. Even the thought of having to go out there during a hurricane or shortly thereafter is tough because they are exposed facilities. What Globaltech has done is the gas system is gone now and they have a liquid hydrochloride facility, a Florida Building Code approved enhanced facility. The storage tanks are in a weather protected enclosure for the bleach and also the pumping and metering facilities are located in the same building as well as the centralized control panel. Now it is all out of the weather and is protected from storm conditions. The gravity thickener is there to thicken solids in the lime softening process to either be hauled offsite or stored onsite. Mr. Gandy said he believes this facility had the original mechanical component from the 1960s when it was constructed. He said what they are doing now is renovating the concrete structure, replacing all the internal mechanisms, replacing the solids pumping, and all of these include safety improvements from the standpoint of access, handrails, and operator interfacing functions. Anything that is done out there is an existing facility so maintenance of plan operations is always a key factor during their projects. While the thickening tank is down, they set up dual temporary tanks with piping across the site to accommodate the thickening process while the work goes on. Even though it is temporary facilities, they have to think about the hurricane all during that process so all the piping is secure to the ground and the tanks are

secured in place. It all went well during the hurricane and he does not think there were any issue here at all. Also shown on the screen is the replacement of production well number one on site, which is ongoing now. There is a continuing program of replacing the supply wells to the plant. One of the future projects that is coming up relating to reliability improvements is the two chemical tanks that are going to be renovated to put in redundant tanks. When they first started renovating the wells, a lot of the wells that were involved were underground and next to roadways and were very difficult to maintain and were aging as well. There has been a steady process of replacing those wells with secured aboveground facilities and they meet the new FDEP requirements in terms of setbacks from hazardous conditions. One thing that is unique about a lot of the wells around the plant is they are actually tied back to the power switch gear in the plant even though some of them are offsite in the park and down the street. With that being the case, they have access to the emergency generators so the plant is fairly self-contained even if the wellfields in the distance are out, there is still some capabilities within the plant. Mr. Gandy thanked the Board for the opportunity to come before them.

Mr. Stephens said he would like to add to something the Mayor likes to talk about is where we spend our money. He said we have increased our reliability and wanted the Board to see where the money was spent and why it is good for the rate payers because of the reliability of the water system during these events, not just other times when everybody expects it. Everyone expects the water to be there every day.

Mayor Hudson thanked him and said it was impressive.

Nina Penick, Director of Financial Services, presented the Financials Operating Results for the ten months ended July 31, 2017. She said there was a year to date increase in net position, after distribution that was up $748,000 for the same time last year. There was an increase in our operating income that was primarily due to recording of the capacity reduction option. She hates to say it every time, but unfortunately until we get to September, you will continue to see these numbers are up, but they are up only because of those adjustments we made as discussed in the May 2, 2017 Board meeting. That is the reduction of the restricted CICs transferred in to pay for guaranteed revenue charges (GRCs), which were originally recorded as not being collectable. We billed them and did not have any hope of collecting them, but were able to collect them using the capacity reduction option. It is such a great deal for FPUA as well as for the developers.

Mayor Hudson asked if that was the Bent Creek.

Mrs. Penick said yes it was and we have one more as well. She said we had some expense reductions, but relatively speaking it was significantly not anywhere near the amount of money that the capacity reduction option created the impact on our bottom line. We had a reduction in depreciation of $713,000 as compared to last year and our general administrative costs are down about $170,000. Generally our consumption is up for the electric system, but is flat on

this particular chart. The consumption or the usage of electricity is represented by the line on the chart, these are the numbers that are represented in the line graph, and the bars represent the dollars of revenue that it relates to. Our revenues are up about 1% from FY 15, but are actually down 2% from FY 17. Although this is flat consumption, we did actually have a decrease. It took her a long time to look through this because it did not make any sense at all, it has to do with the cost of electricity having gone up so significantly in FY 17 as compared to FY 15 and FY 16. Water had quite a dramatic increase in operating revenues, only up 3% from FY 15 to FY 16, but up 10% from FY 16 to FY 17. Most of it related to the two rate increases, one in FY 15 and one in FY 16, but it is also related to increases in consumption, the usage, which was about 2% from FY 15 to FY 16 and up 6% FY16 to FY 17. The Wastewater System revenues and gallons billed, the operating revenues were up about 2% from FY 15 to FY 16 and up about 8% from FY 16 to FY 17. The gallons billed were up about 1% FY 15 to FY 16 and up 5% FY 16 to FY 17. Mrs. Penick said gas rebounded and although the revenues were down 5% from FY 15 to FY 16, they rebounded back up 1% from FY 16 to FY 17. The consumption although it was down in FY 16, it has rebounded in FY 17. Another good measure of our financial strength is the operating income and debt service. We have a debt service coverage ratio 3.23, which is more than double of the 1.25 that is required by our debt service requirements. Although the numbers here look very good, again the big controlling factor is that accounting adjustment. She said she hates to keep saying it over and over again, but it is a onetime adjustment and not something we expect to see. We hope to see it in future years, but it is not something we can count on, it is unusual.

Mr. DeIulio asked if without that adjustment, we would be about 2.5 or stay in the same territory.

Mrs. Penick said she would think yes, it threw it off starting in May. She said it might be closer to 3.0 because the adjustment was in May. This is an information only item and there is no action required of the Board at this time.

Mr. Tompeck said the next item is Resolution UA 2017-10, recognizing the week of October 2-6 as Fort Pierce Utilities Authority's Public Utility Week and Paul Jakubczak will present it.

Paul Jakubczak, Director of Electric & Gas Systems, presented the resolution for Public Utility Week. He said he is pleased to present the Board a sampling of FPUA employees that are going to be recognized here for Fort Pierce Utility week. One of the things he would like to invite you all to is Friday Fest and FPUA will have a booth out there with trucks and employees answering questions that the citizens may have. They will be showing citizens what we do by having the bucket truck out there with the big flag, Gas Department will be there making hula hoops, Wastewater Department guys will be there with their little robot, and the water guys will be talking about the water quality and the improvements at the plant. Mr. Jakubczak said with that being said unless you have any questions particularly for these guys, he asked Mrs. Mazzarella to read the resolution title.

Mrs. Mazzarella read the resolution title into the record: "Resolution U.A. 2017-10 a Resolution Recognizing FPUA Public Utility Week, Oct. 2-6: A Week-Long Celebration of Fort Pierce Utilities Authority's year-round service to the City of Fort Pierce."

A motion was made by Ms. Cavalcanti, seconded by Mr. Bey, and unanimously carried to adopt FPUA Resolution No. U.A. 2017-10, recognizing week of October 2-6 as Fort Pierce Utilities Authority's (FPUA) Public Utility Week.

Mr. Jakubczak requested the guys to introduce themselves and state what department they are in. Those employees in attendance were: Roberto Rigual, Water Resources, 15 years of experience; Sidney Jerger, Water Resources, 30 years of experience; Edward Patrick, Water Distribution, 14 years of experience; Craig Crawford, Natural Gas Operations, 27 years of experience; Antonio Gonzalez, Electric T&D, 10 years of experience; and Terry Johnson, Electric T&D, with FPUA 2 years of experience and in the field 30 years of experience.

Mr. Tompeck said the City Commission passed Resolution 17-31, which establishes the fee for the clean and safe community initiative. He said the $1 fee will be collected by FPUA on the monthly utility bill and will be added as a line item for the October bill. He said the Charter Review Commission held its initial meeting on the 27th and they elected Ben Bryan as Chair and Darrell Drummond as Vice Chair, Frank Fee, Eddie Becht, and Gloria Johnson are other voting members of the Commission. They discussed a lot of different issues they intend to review in the six months of the Commission. Some of those issues included having FPUA as a City department rather than an autonomous organization. They talked about a review of the transfer to the City and there were lot of different things they talked about in regards to that in terms of comparing to similar municipal utilities in size to see what they were doing and looking at the rates for similar size systems. They also discussed utilization of FPUA funds to build the City. This was only an organizational meeting and Mr. Tompeck said he sent a note to Mr. Mimms saying if they need any help from FPUA, we would be glad to provide them that. He does not know if Mr. Mimms was as upset as he was when they mentioned engineers had no imagination. That must have hurt you as much as it hurt me, Mr. Tompeck said.

Mr. Mimms said it really did.

Mr. Tompeck said the next meeting is on October 18. He said there was a discharge of wastewater into the Lagoon on early Monday morning. The WRF lost power about 3:00 a.m. and it lasted until about 6:45 a.m. Staff is looking into the details of what exactly happened and do know that power was lost on feeder 1345. Normally the plant is on two feeders, but not this past Sunday so we are looking into that. It may be related to some post hurricane problems. We reported the release to the FDEP, Fish and Wildlife, and the Health Department as required by our permit. The release did not pose any threat to people or wildlife. There is some on-going sampling and as mentioned, we are investigating the details of the outage and will take

appropriate corrective action once we have made a final determination of what we have to do. Mr. Tompeck said his initial impression of this event is there was probably some things that we need to do in the future to prevent this kind of failure. He said one of the things staff is looking at is a dedicated feed to the WRF and have been looking at that for a while. He believes we are about 30 to 60 days from providing that dedicated feed.

Mr. Tompeck said the Policy Makers meeting is October 18 at Treasure Coast Energy Center and there will be a dinner that night with FMPA Members and he will send an invitation to our Board Members if they wish to attend. He said the FMPA Board meeting is October 19 and will be at ESC so if the Board has a chance to come over if you have not seen FMPA's Board and Executive Committee work, it might be interesting for you to watch.

Mayor Hudson asked if Mr. Tompeck would send the dates and times to them in writing.

Mr. Tompeck said he would send out invitations.

Amy Shevlin, Acting FPUA Attorney said she has a few comments today. She said the Board is aware there are two pending litigation issues involving FPUA at the moment. Given those two cases have not been resolved yet because they are new, Counsel for FPUA, Attorney Koblegard, herself, and Doug Noah who is Counsel for Florida League of Cities Insurance Company for FPUA are requesting an Out of the Sunshine meeting to discuss litigation strategy and what needs to potentially be done for each case. Attorney Shevlin said they would like to request two separate meetings, one for each case to go over whatever they need to talk about on a case by case basis. She said according to the Sunshine Manual, we are permitted to have attorney client discussion out of the Sunshine and have to comply with the Statute. One of the things that needs to be done is at an open public meeting is request a meeting and we are doing that right now. Given how many people are involved, we will need to coordinate dates, once those dates are coordinated, we will need to send out public notice as we do every public meeting. The beginning of the meeting needs to be open to the public for an announcement as to how long the meeting will last and who will be in attendance at the meeting. The public will then be asked to leave, it will be a closed door session involving the counsel that is attending, and once that meeting has concluded, it will be reopened for the public to come back in for comments. The entire meeting for both meetings will need to be recorded and will require a court reporter for each of those. The court reporter's notes will remain confidential so long as litigation is pending. So once the cases have been resolved and the case has been closed all of the transcripts will become public record. Attorney Shevlin said as long as we comply with the Statutes and do everything we need to do in terms of giving the public notice and having the meeting recorded, we are permitted to have a closed door session to discuss litigation options and where we need to go on each case moving forward. She said if there are any questions that come up in the meantime, they will answer them subject to the Statute. She does not have any suggestions for dates today because she does not know what everyone's schedule is and Mr. Koblegard and Mr. Noah are not here.

If we can all coordinate dates and lock something down, then we can go ahead and schedule. If it is on the same date, we can do separate meetings. We can open the session, close it, and then open it up again for the next meeting.

Mr. Tompeck said it is the Board's pleasure for whenever you would like to have the meeting, we can certainly set them up.

Ms. Cavalcanti asked if we can send it by email for the dates that are good for everyone.

Mr. Tompeck said yes we can.

Attorney Shevlin said as long as it is open and follows the Statute we can do it by email and that may actually be easier.

Ms. Cavalcanti said it probably would be.

Mr. Bey asked what time frame we are trying to get this done.

Attorney Shevlin said sooner rather than later and she does not know what everyone's schedules are and hopefully everyone will be available in the next couple of weeks to try and figure out what has to be done expeditiously as possible so these things are not pending.

Mayor Hudson said it may make sense to make it around one of these regular meetings because everyone has these meetings on their calendars. She said we could have it earlier or later.

Attorney Shevlin said that is a good idea.

Mr. Perri said he is open to any date and will make himself available any date.

Ms. Cavalcanti said she is out October 15 to October 22.

Mr. Bey said he likes the idea of possibly having one meeting before our scheduled meeting and then one after our scheduled meeting, if that works.

Ms. Cavalcanti said the only problem with that is then we are all the way into November because she is out the week of October 15 and that is when there is a meeting.

Mayor Hudson said she is out the first meeting in November.

Ms. Cavalcanti said she was thinking maybe next week if we can try and get it one day next week.

Mr. Bey asked if we would do both meetings the same day.

Ms. Cavalcanti said yes.

Mr. Bey said okay so then we have to review days.

Mayor Hudson said Tuesday and Wednesday she is not available.

Ms. Cavalcanti said Mayor Hudson is having eye surgery then. She said if we can shoot for next week Monday, Thursday, or Friday.

Attorney Shevlin said she will see if Mr. Koblegard is available and will contact Mr. Noah as well because she does not know what his schedule is.

Mrs. Mazzarella asked how many days in advance we have to notice the meeting.

Attorney Shevlin said that is a good question and she is not sure. She said she would get back with Mrs. Mazzarella once she knows. She said she is not 100% sure and does not want to say something that may be incorrect.

Mrs. Mazzarella said she would coordinate dates with the Board Members on what works on how she did before if that helps.

Attorney Shevlin said that would be great.

Mr. Mimms said last night at the City Commission meeting, our City Commission was presented some options for improvement by our local Solar Energy Loan Fund (SELF) organization. He said in doing so they talked about having a stronger partnership and commitment with this organization for their various products. The City has worked with FPUA together collaboratively with SELF on past projects. For the most part they did energy audits, but also we see there is a need in our community for home improvements. We did see there were some homes that suffered structural damage and did see there were some homes that suffered some roof damage. These folks are going to be looking for opportunities to improve their living situation and Mr. Mimms said he believes one of the most important things to some of our Board Members and a lot of our Commission Members is the availability of weatherization dollars to help people. He said not only to improve their home, but to understand the improvements that are needed. That way they have a more efficient operating residence. Mr. Mimms said he wanted to put that out there that the City is going to be reaching out to Mr. Coward and to the SELF organization to see how they can work a little bit closer and he hopes they can also bring in FPUA. He would like to talk to Mr. Tompeck about that and wanted to put it out there so you all know that their commitment is to educate and help their citizens understand how they can live more efficiently. Mr. Mimms said he asked Mr. Tompeck for some information and wanted the Board to know

that he responded very quickly and said now he likes working with Mr. Tompeck. He is not that bad.

Mr. Bey said considering he is an engineer.

Mr. Mimms said exactly. He said he did hear there was going to be a strategic planning meeting and did not know if that occurred.

Mr. Tompeck said it has not occurred yet. He said unfortunately it has been pushed back a little bit with some other issues.

Mr. Mimms asked if it has been rescheduled yet.

Mr. Tompeck said it has not been rescheduled, but he will get some information out to the Board Members prior to that so you have a chance to get a look at the SWOT analysis they have been talking about. He said Mr. Mimms would certainly be invited.

Mr. Mimms said they postponed the opening of their bids and responses for the King Plant redevelopment. He said the King Plant is still waiting for the all clear from FDEP, they have not received the SCRO. Hopefully they can reach out to FDEP and receive that because they want to see this parcel developed to help the downtown and region. They are still looking for a wholesale development that is the general consensus of the community from the community meetings. That has been postponed and they have a pre-qualification meeting tomorrow here at City Hall at 3:00 p.m. or maybe 10:00 a.m., but he thinks it is 3:00 p.m. Mr. Mimms said he will make sure the Board knows the exact time. He said hopefully they will get some good responses. They have had a lot of interest so it is anticipated that they will see development at that location.

Mr. Tompeck said to bring the Board up to date, he talked to Greg Schultz at Cardno yesterday and what happened is the guy that was originally reviewing the paperwork left FDEP a few months ago. It sat down there for a long time and apparently it has been processed and has been sent to Tallahassee for final legal approval. Mr. Tompeck is hoping we will see the final SCRO shortly, it should have been here six months ago.

Mr. Mimms said he agrees and they are still waiting. He said hopefully the State will come through.

Ms. Cavalcanti said she has a question for Mr. Mimms. She asked if when they did the SELF, if they talked by any chance about roofs and the Tesla roofs.

Mr. Mimms said he does not know about the Tesla roofs.

Ms. Cavalcanti said they are solar shingles that the roof is made of.

Mr. Mimms said he did not hear that as part of the presentation.

Mayor Hudson said he did talk about a new program they launched yesterday morning, which is low costs loans for solar panels for roofs. She said he did not say Tesla, but he did say low cost solar panels. The presentation is on line if anyone wants to get details of it.

Mr. Mimms said no shingles, just the panels.

Ms. Cavalcanti said the only thing that is bad with the panels, which is her understanding in Florida, is that they will come off in a hurricane and pull your roof off. She said whereas Tesla has a new product out that is a solar shingle and it will withstand hurricane winds.

Mayor Hudson said maybe Doug Coward ought to come here and make a presentation to this Board.

Mr. Bey said that would be a good idea.

Mayor Hudson said it is low cost loans for home improvements. She said it is energy efficiency, water conservation, and wind mitigation. He has done a lot of work right here in Fort Pierce and wants to do more work here in Fort Pierce.

Ms. Cavalcanti said she would like that.

Mr. Bey asked if we are talking about combining or partnering with Solar to fatten our weatherization program.

Mr. Mimms said he does not know exactly the parameters of the relationship, but he does know their Commission seems to be very excited about working with SELF to promote that product. He said there are a lot of folks in our community that do not have financial wherewithal to pay for these improvements up front. These low cost loan products are available to those that do not have the best credit as well. That is why he is looking to potentially partner, but also likes the fact that hopefully they can get into the energy audit aspect and tell people what is going on in their home.

Mr. Bey said he thinks SELF has done a very good job at getting grants and state and federal money. He thinks that could be a good potential partnership and he would be for that.

Mayor Hudson said they have some projects that are especially attractive to women and veterans. She said they have the low cost and a Commissioner asked him if he was getting cooperation and if he was working with FPUA. He said they have in the past and enjoyed a good

relationship, but would like to continue that and increase it. She took that as an open invitation for us to hook back up with him

Mr. Tompeck said he will contact Doug and set it up.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

ATTEST:

SECRETARY

CHAIRMAN