



**DATE:** May 8, 2017  
**TO:** Members of the Southeast Florida Utility Council (SEFLUC)  
**FROM:** Christopher Pettit, Palm Beach County.  
**SUBJECT: DRAFT Meeting Minutes - Monday, April 10, 2017**  
**1:30 – 4:00 PM**  
Spanish River Library  
1501 Spanish River Blvd.  
Boca Raton, Florida 33487

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**1) Administrative:**

- a) Welcome, Call to Order (1:45 PM), Introductions – Natalia Garcia, City of Sunrise.
- b) Review and Approval of SEFLUC Meeting Minutes for April 2017 – Chris Pettit, Palm Beach County

*Motioned by Natalia Garcia, City of Sunrise*  
*Seconded by Brian Shields, City of Lake Worth*  
**Approved.**

- c) Treasurer’s Report –Lauren Burack, City of Boca Raton.

The January Treasurer’s Report was provided as follows:

Opening Balance:	\$106,324.30
Deposits:	\$4,350.00
Disbursements:	<u>\$9,116.76</u>
Closing Balance:	\$101,507.54

**REMINDER!! SEFLUC NEEDS MEMBERS TO PLEASE REMIT THEIR MEMBERSHIP DUES ASAP – BUDGET DISCUSSIONS AND FORMULATION ARE ONGOING**

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**Budget Categories:**

- Legal
- Plaques and Awards
- Web Services
- Training (NEW CATEGORY)
- Refreshments

**APPROVAL OF BUDGET – Moved by Maria Loucraft, City of Sunrise  
Second by Lisa Wilson Davis – City of Boca Raton**

d) Transition of Board Officers – Natalia Garcia, City of Sunrise

**2) Regulatory/Legislative:**

a) Regulatory Update- Lisa Wilson Davis, City of Boca Raton

The membership is again reminded to be aware of the regulatory efforts being undertaken in the Central Florida Water Initiative. The latest draft changes include a uniform per capita rate and definition of harm that are not necessarily consistent with the regulatory regime in South Florida and may be exported statewide after approval.

SEFLUC has drafted a letter to the SFWMD regarding CFWI including the need to compare conservation and residential rates versus commercial rates and private wells in considering per capita numbers. Uniform per capita does not tell the whole story.

DEP is given rulemaking responsibilities in the Pollution Incident Reporting legislative update, but is supposed to be limited to the formulation of the website and list serve.

Federal agencies are asking for input regarding regulatory reform on a federal level.

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Regulated entities are encouraged to submit comments regarding regulations that they think put an unfair burden on the regulated public and need to be streamlined.

Natalia Garcia, City of Sunrise, noted that sodium hypochlorite and fluoride are both exempt from the DEP AST rule (following up on April DEP presentation).

SEFLUC is reaching out to EPA to clarify that the federal agency does not intend to promulgate additional regulations regarding indirect and direct potable reuse.

b) Legislative Update - Kristin Melton, De La Parte and Gilbert

SEE ATTACHED May 2017 LEGISLATIVE REPORT

Bills of focus included:

Construction Bills (HB 1021 / SB 1312) – concerns have been raised regarding the language of the bill proposing a prohibition on requiring separate water connections for one or two dwelling fire sprinkler systems. The state Utility Councils have been gathering information regarding the number of shut offs that utilities have undertaken, number of snowbirds, and number of separate connections in systems in support of efforts to change the language of the bill.

Reclaimed water bills are largely dead for the session and it appears as though little is going to be passed in the area of water policy outside of the overarching Everglades package.

SB 10 is the Everglades bill being pushed by Senate President Negrón – important for utilities, it contains provisions regarding the C-51 Reservoir that could impact the ability to secure allocations from the project, as they prohibit any water tied to Lake Okeechobee discharges from being utilized as public water supply.

**THE UTILITY COUNCILS WILL SOON BE DEVELOPING CONCEPTS FOR THE COMING 2018 LEGISLATIVE SESSION – PLEASE SUBMIT IDEAS**

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### 3) Events update:

a) Upcoming Events – Lisa Wilson Davis, City of Boca Raton

- See SEFLUC Website: [www.sefluc.org](http://www.sefluc.org)
- If you have events you would like to share and have put on the SEFLUC calendar, please send an e-mail with the information to Lisa Wilson-Davis at [lwilsondavis@myboca.us](mailto:lwilsondavis@myboca.us)

Kevin Carter (Broward County) – FLAWarn annual exercise June 15 @ Lake Worth

Natalia Garcia (Sunrise) – May 23 meeting with SFWMD...email SEFLUC board with any items of interest

4) **Utilities Issues Committees** – Natalia Garcia, City of Sunrise.

5) **SEFLUC Business**– Natalia Garcia, City of Sunrise.

### 6) Presentations:

- a) “Knowledge Retention Plan” by Erica Powell and Maria Loucraft, City of Pompano Beach
- b) “ZAPS Technology Overview” by Harvey Klaer, ZAPS Technologies.

### 7) SEFLUC Upcoming Meeting Presentations (June 12, 2017)

- a) Dan Suarez – HDR – Rapid Reassessment of Facility Condition and Operation
- b) TBD

**Meeting Adjourned at 4:00 PM**

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