

**Knoxville Utilities Board
Board Meeting Minutes
Thursday, January 15, 2026 Noon**

Call to Order

The Knoxville Utilities Board met in regular session in the Larry A. Fleming Board Room at 445 S. Gay Street, on Thursday, January 15, 2026, pursuant to the public notice published in the January 3, 2026, edition of the *News Sentinel*. Chair Gibson called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m.

Roll Call

Commissioners Present: Claudia Caballero, Ron Feinbaum, Cynthia Gibson, Kathy Hamilton, and Phyllis Nichols.

Commissioners Absent: Dr. Craig Pickett, Jr.

Approval of Minutes

Upon a motion by Commissioner Nichols and a second by Commissioner Feinbaum, the December 18, 2025 Board meeting minutes were approved by a unanimous voice vote. The following Commissioners voted "aye": Caballero, Feinbaum, Gibson, Hamilton, and Nichols. No Commissioner voted "nay".

Old Business

None

New Business

Oath of Office for Pete Pearson

Chair Gibson welcomed Pete Pearson and asked Bill Coley, the Board's General Counsel, to administer the Oath of Office to Mr. Pearson.

Board of Commissioners Officer Election

Mr. Coley stated that the Nominating Committee met on December 18, 2025 and recommended the following slate of officers for 2026: Chair; Cynthia Gibson, Vice Chair; Kathy Hamilton, and Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer Mark Walker as Board Secretary. He asked for other nominations and received none.

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

President's Report

Annual Disclosure

President Gabriel Bolas recognized Taylor Crosby, Business Analyst in Executive Services, to review the annual disclosure process for the Board. He also shared information about the Tennessee Open Meetings and Public Records acts.

Eastbridge Natural Gas Loop

President Bolas advised Commissioners that KUB recently completed the Eastbridge Natural Gas Loop project, improving the resiliency of the natural gas system for customers in this area. He recognized Ben Carey, Manager of Gas Systems Engineering, to provide an update on the project and the benefits it brings to our system.

Proactive Electric Outage Notifications

President Bolas advised Commissioners while KUB's priority is to avoid service interruptions for its customers, we recognize the importance of keeping customers updated when their service is impacted. He recognized Madison Gresham, Business Analyst in Customer Service, to provide information on KUB's proactive electric outage notifications.

Other Business

None

Public Comment

None

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Adjournment

There being nothing further to come before the Board, Chair Gibson declared the Board meeting adjourned at 12:37 p.m.



Cynthia Gibson, Chair



Mark Walker, Board Secretary

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