

**MINUTES OF THE HOUSE
PUBLIC UTILITIES & TECHNOLOGY STANDING COMMITTEE
Room WO20, House Building, State Capitol Complex
March 3, 2009**

Members Present: Rep. Michael Noel, Chair
Rep. Brad Winn, Vice Chair
Rep. Roger Barrus
Rep. Mel Brown
Rep. Rebecca Chavez-Houck
Rep. Lorie Fowlke
Rep. Lynn Hemingway
Rep. Chris Herrod
Rep. Fred Hunsaker
Rep. Ryan Wilcox

Members Absent: Rep. Jim Gowans

Staff Present: Richard North, Policy Analyst
Cherri White, Committee Secretary

Note: A list of visitors and a copy of handouts are filed with the committee minutes.

Rep. Barrus, on behalf of the chair, called the meeting to order at 8:13 am, and called for a motion to approve the minutes of February 23, 2009.

MOTION: Representative Fowlke moved to approve the minutes of February 23, 2009. The motion passed unanimously with Representatives Brown, Gowans, Wilcox, Winn, and Noel absent for the vote.

SB0075 Utility Amendments (*Sen. S. Urquhart*)

The bill was held at the request of the sponsor.

HB0392 Natural Gas for Vehicles (*Rep. D. Ipson*)

The sponsor introduced the bill and explained its intent. He was assisted in answering questions by Barrie L. McKay, Manager, State Regulatory Affairs, Questar Gas Company.

The chair was turned to Chairman Noel at 8:17 am.

Michele Beck, Director, Committee of Consumer Services, spoke in opposition to the bill.
Lee Peacock, President, Utah Petroleum Association, spoke to the bill.
Jeff Hartley, Director, Responsible Energy Producers Forum, spoke in favor of the bill.

Representative Ipson, the sponsor of HB 392 indicated to the committee that he would be bringing this issue to interim study.

MOTION: Representative Winn moved to pass HB 392 out favorably. The motion passed unanimously with Representatives Brown and Gowans absent for the vote.

Chair Noel turned the chair to Vice Chair Winn at 8:50 am.

HB0411 Utah Technology Governance Act Amendments (*Rep. S. Clark*)

The sponsor introduced the bill and explained its intent. David Spatafore, UCAN, assisted in the presentation of the bill.

MOTION: Representative Hunsaker moved to pass HB 411 out favorably. The motion passed unanimously with Representative Gowans absent for the vote.

Chair Noel thanked the committee for their hard and diligent work on the committee this session.

MOTION: Representative Wilcox moved to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously with Representative Gowans absent for the vote. Vice Chair Winn adjourned the meeting at 8:55 am.

Michael Noel, Chair