FPSC COMMISSIONER NEWS BRIEFS







Chairman Graham Speaks at Tiger Bay

Chairman Art Graham discussed hurricanes, solar power, and electric vehicles, along with the PSC's regulatory role, during the May 15 luncheon meeting of the Flagler Tiger Bay Club at the Hammock Resort.

Flagler Tiger Bay Club is a nonpartisan club that caters to a diverse group of members. The Club's website says "members have a keen interest in politics, things that affect politics, civic, and other current event issues that impact and shape our daily lives."

Water Conservation Month

Commissioner Donald J. Polmann urged Floridians to support Water Conservation Month in April by saving more water. Conserving water helps protect Florida's water supply for future generations, and Commissioner Polmann provided some simple water saving measures that helped raise consumer awareness about water as a precious resource.

Commissioner Polmann said we should conserve water yearround, but it is particularly important during April, typically the height of Florida's dry season. Even using simple water conservation strategies, he said, can help cut your water usage and save money on your monthly bill.

Take Our Daughters IND Sons to Work Day

Commissioner Andrew Fay led an engaging discussion on cyber security with the sons and daughters of PSC employees for "Take Our Daughters and Sons to Work Day." He warned about potential cyber threats from their everyday online activities: video games, downloading music, and streaming TV shows and movies. Online video gaming, he cautioned, is a growing target for hackers, who can easily gain access to the computers and personal data of game players.

He also told students most of their gaming devices can directly connect to the Internet, but also come with parental controls and family safety settings. Cyber security is one of Commissioner Fay's main areas of interest, and he said the network of power plants and lines connecting to homes and businesses is considered to be among the most critical infrastructure in the world and is potentially vulnerable to cyber attacks.

Commissioner Brown CHAIRS PLAC Meeting

Commissioner Julie I. Brown, elected in 2018 as Chair of the Gas Technology Institute's (GTI) Public Interest Advisory Committee (PIAC), recently chaired the group's meeting in D.C.

PIAC provides guidance to GTI through interaction with GTI executive and senior staff on public interest issues and long-term trends that may potentially have impact on GTI, the utility Industry, and the energy and natural gas consumer. PIAC is made up of public utility commissioners, consumer advocates, and environmental, economic, and university-based experts.

