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AMEA Board Praises Clements, Elects New Officers for Fiscal 2007

The Alabama Municipal Electric Authority (AMEA) Board of Directors publicly praised and thanked Dothan's Don Clements, its longest-serving board member, during the board's annual meeting August 24, 2006. The board also elected a new officers for Fiscal Year 2007.

Clements, who served as chairman the last four years, was first elected to the board in 1986. Clements was elected chairman by his peers upon the retirement of Sewell St. John, Jr., of Foley, in January of 2002. The former Dothan City Commissioner officially retired at the conclusion of AMEA's annual meeting. Clements' more than 20 years of faithful service makes him the longest-serving board member in AMEA's history.

The board unanimously selected Sylacauga's D. Wayne Duke to succeed Clements as chairperson. Duke has served the board as vice chair for the last four years. Don McClellan of Alexander City was elected as vice chair and Opelika Mayor Gary Fuller was elected to fill the post of secretary/treasurer.

After the meeting, the board held a celebratory luncheon in Clements' honor. Colleagues, family, friends, AMEA staff, business advisors and partners commended him for his leadership and dedication to the authority and its 11 members. The board presented Clements with a commendatory resolution, a plaque and gavel, and AMEA President and Chief Executive Officer Bob Claussen gave Clements a wrist watch to signify his more than 20 years of service.

AMEA is the full requirements electric power provider for 11 Alabama municipalities that own their own electric distribution systems. AMEA is the agent for its members with the Southeastern Power Administration (SEPA) for capacity and energy received from SEPA.