

SUWANNEE RIVER WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT
MINUTES OF
GOVERNING BOARD MEETING AND PUBLIC HEARING

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9:00 a.m., Tuesday
February 9, 2010

District Headquarters
Live Oak, Florida

Members of the Governing Board Present:

Don Quincey, Jr., Chairman
David Flagg, Vice Chairman
Georgia Jones, Secretary/Treasurer
Heath Davis
O. J. Lake
Carl Meece

Members of the Governing Board Absent:

Jay Fraleigh
Dr. Linden Davidson

Staff:

David Still	Bill Haley, Legal Counsel
Charlie Houder	Melanie Roberts
Jon Dinges	Joe Flanagan
Terry Demott	Rhonda Scott
Lisa Cheshire	Megan Wetherington
Carlos Herd	Tim Sagul
Jon Good	Cindy Johnson
Brian Kauffman	Pennie Flickinger
Scott Gregor	James Link
Terry Demott	

Participating Guests:

Cynthia Barnett, Gainesville, FL
Barney and Renate Cannon, Chiefland, FL
Roland Garcia, FL Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, Tallahassee, FL
Kirby Green, SJRWMD Executive Director, Palatka, FL

Gary Hardacre, City of Alachua, FL
Annette Roesch, Treasure Camp on the Suwannee, Chiefland, FL

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m.

O.J. Lake gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

The roll was called and a quorum noted.

Kirby Green, Executive Director for St. Johns River Water Management District, spoke on the coordination of St. Johns and Suwannee River Water Management District's staff and Governing Board regarding the boundary issues and water supply impacts on the resources in this area. Executive Director Green discussed the commitment of both districts speaking as one and to have no like between the districts.

Agenda Item No. 4 - Additions, Deletions, or Changes to the Agenda.

Water Supply and Resource Management:

- Addition: Contract Amendment for Florida Fill & Grading, Inc.
- Deletion: Agenda Item 10 – Denial of ERP 06-0101M

Executive Office:

- Addition: Agenda Item 31 – Investment Committee

Agenda Item No. 5 - Approval of Agenda.

ON A MOTION BY MR. LAKE, SECONDED BY MS. JONES, AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, THE GOVERNING BOARD APPROVED THE FEBRUARY 9, 2010 AGENDA, AS AMENDED.

Agenda Item No. 6 - Items of General Interest for Information/Cooperating Agencies and Organizations.

A 10-year service award was presented to Jon Dinges by David Still and Don Quincey.

Megan Wetherington gave a presentation of hydrologic conditions of the District.

Agenda Item No. 7- Consent Agenda

- Approval of January 12, 2009 Meeting Minutes
- Approval of December Financial Report
- Resolution 2010-01 Requesting Quarterly Reimbursement for LAM Costs

ON A MOTION BY MR. FLAGG, SECONDED BY MR. DAVIS, AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, THE GOVERNING BOARD APPROVED THE CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS.

DEPARTMENT OF MISSION SUPPORT

Agenda Item No. 8 – Approval of December Financial Report. Approved on Consent.

Agenda Item No. 9 - Activity Report, Mission Support. The Activity Report for the Department of Mission Support was provided as an informational item in the Board materials.

DEPARTMENT OF WATER SUPPLY AND RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

Agenda Item No. 10 – Denial of Environmental Resource Permit Application 06-0101M. Deleted

Agenda Item No. 11 – Initiation of Legal Action Regarding Shaun Ritch and Roy Baker CE 08-0020 and ERP07-0407. Jon Dinges, Department Director, presented the staff recommendation to initiate legal action regarding Shaun Ritch and Roy Baker, CE 08-0020 and ERP07-0407, as shown in the Board materials.

ON A MOTION BY MR. DAVIS, SECONDED BY MR. LAKE, AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, THE GOVERNING BOARD APPROVED INITIATION OF LEGAL ACTION REGARDING SHAUN RITCH AND ROY BAKER, CE 08-0020 AND ERP07-0407.

Agenda Item No. 12 – Florida Department of Transportation Mitigation Plan 2010-2014. Mr. Dinges presented the staff recommendation for approval of the Florida Department of Transportation Mitigation Plan 2010-2014, as shown in the Board materials.

ON A MOTION BY MR. DAVIS, SECONDED BY MR. LAKE, AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, THE GOVERNING BOARD APPROVED THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION MITIGATION PLAN 2010-2014.

Supplemental Item – Contract Amendment for Florida Fill & Grading, Inc.. Mr. Dinges presented the staff recommendation for authorization for the Executive Director to amend the contract with Florida Fill & Grading, Inc., as shown in the Board materials.

ON A MOTION BY MR. DAVIS, SECONDED BY MR. FLAGG, AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, THE GOVERNING BOARD AUTHORIZED THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO AMEND THE CONTRACT WITH FLORIDA FILL & GRADING, INC.

Agenda Item No. 13 – Final Order Granting Variance and Environmental Resource Permit Number 06-0508M2. Final Order Granting Variance and Environmental Permit Number 06-0508M2 were provided as informational items in the Board materials.

Agenda Item No. 14 – Environmental Resource Permit Number 08-0047. Environmental Resource Permit Number 08-0047 was provided as an informational item in the Board materials.

Agenda Item No. 15 – Environmental Resource Permit Number 88-0002M6. Environmental Resource Permit Number 88-0002M6 was provided as an informational item in the Board materials.

Agenda Item No. 16 – Environmental Resource Permit Number 98-0459M7. Environmental Resource Permit Number 98-0459M7 was provided as an informational item in the Board materials.

Agenda Item No. 17 - Activity Report, Water Supply and Resource Management. The Water Supply and Resource Management Activity Report was provided as an informational item in the Board materials.

Agenda Item No. 18 - As-Built Compliance Summary. The As-Built Compliance Summary was provided as an informational item in the Board materials.

DEPARTMENT OF LAND ACQUISITION AND MANAGEMENT

Agenda Item No. 19 – Agreement with Williams Timber, Inc.. Joe Flanagan, Department Director, presented the staff recommendation for authorization for the Executive Director to enter into an agreement with Williams Timber, Inc., for the Steinhatchee Springs 4 Timber Sale, as shown in the Board materials.

ON A MOTION MADE BY MR. DAVIS, SECONDED BY MR. LAKE, AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, THE GOVERNING BOARD AUTHORIZED THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH WILLIAMS TIMBER, INC., FOR THE STEINHATCHEE SPRINGS 4 TIMBER SALE.

Agenda Item No. 20 – Renewal of Submerged Land Lease for Atsena Otie Key. Mr. Flanagan presented the staff recommendation for authorization to renew the submerged land lease for Atsena Otie Key, as shown in the Board materials.

ON A MOTION MADE BY MR. DAVIS SECONDED BY MR. LAKE, AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, THE GOVERNING BOARD AUTHORIZED RENEWAL OF THE SUBMERGED LAND LEASE FOR ATSENA OTIE KEY.

Agenda Item No. 21 – Increase in Prescribed Fire Budget. Mr. Flanagan presented the staff recommendation for authorization to increase the prescribed fire budget and amend contracts with Wildland Fire Services, Inc., and B&B Dugger, Inc., as shown in the Board materials.

ON A MOTION MADE BY MR. DAVIS, SECONDED BY MS. JONES, AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, THE GOVERNING BOARD GAVE AUTHORIZATION TO INCREASE THE PRESCRIBED FIRE BUDGET AND AMEND CONTRACTS WITH WILDLAND FIRE SERVICES, INC., AND B&B DUGGER, INC.

Agenda Item No. 22 – Reappointment of Annette Land to the R. O. Ranch Board of Directors. Mr. Flanagan presented the staff recommendation for approval to reappoint Annette Land to serve a four-year term on the R. O. Ranch Board of Directors, as shown in the Board materials.

ON A MOTION BY MR. DAVIS, SECONDED BY MR. FLAGG, AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, THE GOVERNING BOARD APPROVED REAPPOINTMENT OF ANNETTE LAND TO SERVE A FOUR-YEAR TERM ON THE R. O. RANCH BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

Agenda Item No. 23 – Resolution 2010-01, Requesting Quarterly Reimbursement for Land Acquisition and Management Costs. Approved on Consent.

Agenda Item No. 24 - Land Acquisition Activity Report. The Land Acquisition Activity Report was provided as an informational item in the Board materials.

Agenda Item No. 25 - Land Management Activity Report. The Land Management Activity Report was provided as an informational item in the Board materials.

Agenda Item No. 26 – R. O. Ranch Activity Report. The R. O. Ranch Activity Report was provided as an informational item in the Board materials.

Mr. Davis gave a R.O. Ranch update.

LEGAL COUNSEL REPORT

Agenda Item No. 27 - Enforcement Status and Litigation Report. The Enforcement Status and Litigation Report was provided as an informational item in the Board materials.

EXECUTIVE OFFICE

Agenda Item No. 28 - Executive Director's Report.
None.

Agenda Item No. 29 - Executive Office Activity Report. The Executive Office Activity Report was provided as an informational item in the Board materials.

Agenda Item No. 30 – Legislative Report Update. The Legislative Report Update was provided as an informational item in the Board materials.

Agenda Item No. 31 – Governing Board Investment Committee. Charlie Houser, Assistant Executive Director, presented the staff recommendation for approval of the investment strategy proposed by the Governing Board Investment Committee, as shown in the Board materials.

Mr. Quincey discussed the disbandment of the investment committee and intent to re-group as needed in the future.

ON A MOTION BY MR. LAKE, SECONDED BY MR. DAVIS, AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, THE GOVERNING BOARD APPROVED THE INVESTMENT STRATEGY PROPOSED BY THE GOVERNING BOARD INVESTMENT COMMITTEE.

The meeting adjourned at 11:54 a.m.

Chairman

ATTEST:

SUWANNEE RIVER WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT
MINUTES OF
GOVERNING BOARD WORKSHOP

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12:23 p.m., Tuesday
February 9, 2010

District Headquarters
Live Oak, Florida

Members of the Governing Board Present:

Don Quincey, Jr., Chairman
David Flagg, Vice Chairman
Georgia Jones, Secretary/Treasurer
Heath Davis
O. J. Lake
Carl Meece

Members of the Governing Board Absent:

Jay Fraleigh
Dr. Linden Davidson

Staff:

David Still	Bill Haley, Legal Counsel
Charlie Houder	Joe Flanagan
Jon Dinges	Melanie Roberts
Rhonda Scott	Kirk Webster
Lisa Cheshire	Cindy Johnson
Carlos Herd	Brian Kauffman
Vern Roberts	Glenn Horvath
Vanessa Fultz	John Good
Richard Rocco	Terry Demott
Tim Sagul	

Participating Guests:

Barney and Renate Cannon, Chiefland, FL
Gary Mahon, USGS, Tallahassee, FL
Trey Grubbs, USGS, Tallahassee, FL
Cynthia Barnett, Gainesville, FL

Kirk Webster, Deputy Executive Director, introduced Trey Grubbs, Hydrologist, with the United States Geological Survey (USGS) out of Tallahassee, Florida, who gave a presentation on historic changes in the groundwater flow system of the Upper Floridan Aquifer and flow trends in the Ichetucknee River.

Joe Flanagan, Director of Land Acquisition and Management, gave an overview of Program Directive 99-01. He discussed how the purpose of this policy adopted by a previous governing board in 1990, was to implement a set criteria for the consideration of offers of real property containing 40 acres or less and to outline a procedure to expedite the disposition of such offers.

Terry Demott, Sr. Land Resource Coordinator, gave a presentation representing examples of acquired property that fit the details of the program directive.

After discussion, the Governing Board consensus was to suspend the directive unless there is a very unique property that staff would deem appropriate for Board consideration.

Mr. Demott gave a review of the Walker property. After discussion it was determined that Governing Board consensus was that the District is not interested in pursuing the property offer.

Jon Dinges, Director of Water Supply and Resource Management, gave an update and explanation of the Florida Fill and Grading, Inc., contract amendment. After discussion, Governing Board consensus was to try to recoup cost through legal counsel.

Mr. Dinges made the Board aware of the development of permitting constraints by St. Johns River Water Management District.

Mr. Dinges gave an Upper Santa Fe Basin water resource and economic impact analysis presentation.

Mr. Dinges discussed the North Florida groundwater flow model revision.

Carlos Herd, Sr. Hydrogeologist, gave an update and reviewed the schedules for the water supply assessment and regional water supply plan.

A numeric nutrient criteria update was given and Mr. Dinges informed the Board of Georgia's water planning councils.

Mr. Dinges discussed Governing Board Policy # 99-01 adopted on January 12, 1999, regarding the process of implementing After-the-Fact Permitting fees. After discussion, the Governing Board concurred that staff should be consistent and apply these fees to all permits that are applied for after-the-fact.

Chairman Don Quincey discussed his recommendation to implement a monthly conference call meeting. This meeting would be properly noticed in the Florida Administrative Weekly, in order to meet Florida in the Sunshine standards. The reason for this conference call would be to bring items that the Chairman felt he needed to share with the rest of the Governing Board members to their attention and also provide a way to not postpone some decisions until the next scheduled Governing Board meeting. If the meeting was not needed, the conference call would be canceled. The Board concurred to implement the monthly conference call meeting.

Workshop adjourned at 2:46 p.m.

SUWANNEE RIVER WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT
MINUTES OF
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1:00 p.m., Monday
March 1, 2010

District Headquarters
Live Oak, Florida

Members of the Governing Board Present:
Don Quincey, Jr., Chairman

Members of the Governing Board Present by Telephone:
David Flagg, Vice Chairman
Georgia Jones, Secretary/Treasurer
Heath Davis
O. J. Lake

Members of the Governing Board Absent:
Dr. Linden Davidson
Jay Fraleigh
Carl Meece

Staff:

David Still	Tom Brown, Legal Counsel (by telephone)
Charlie Houder	Kirk Webster
Jon Dinges	Joe Flanagan
Melanie Roberts	Steve Minnis
Lisa Cheshire	Vern Roberts
Vanessa Fultz	

Participating Guests:
None

As Board members were calling into the meeting, Joe Flanagan, Director of Land Acquisition and Management, informed the Board of the following offers that have been received by staff:

Seller	Acres	Location	Interest	Asking Price
Cooley	120	Jefferson County	Conservation Easement	\$2,500/acre \$300,000
Floyd	735	Jefferson County	Conservation Easement	\$2,500/acre \$1,837,500
Mincy	741	Taylor County	Conservation Easement	\$2,200/acre \$1,630,200
Stafford	1,265	Madison County	Conservation Easement	\$475/acre \$600,875

More detailed information and maps will be provided at the regularly scheduled meeting to be held on March 9th.

The meeting was called to order at 1:08 p.m.

The roll was called and a quorum noted.

Agenda Item No. 2 - Additions, Deletions, or Changes to the Agenda.

None.

Agenda Item No. 3 - Approval of Agenda.

Agenda Item No. 4 – Amendment to the Water Supply Contract with Entrix (08/09-080) to Include Additional Tasks in the Scope of Work. Jon Dinges, Director of Water Supply and Resource Management, presented the staff recommendation to authorize the Executive Director to amend Contract Number 08/09-090 with Entrix, Inc., to include additional tasks to the original Scope of Work. The proposed contract amendment will add an amount of \$140,000 to the original authorized amount of \$495,000, for a new not-to-exceed amount of \$635,000.

ON A MOTION BY MR. FLAGG, SECONDED BY MR. LAKE, AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, THE GOVERNING BOARD AUTHORIZED THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO AMEND CONTRACT NUMBER 08/09-090 WITH ENTRIX, INC., TO INCLUDE ADDITIONAL TASKS TO THE ORIGINAL SCOPE OF WORK AND THE ADDITION OF \$140,000 TO THE ORIGINAL AUTHORIZED AMOUNT OF \$495,000, FOR A NEW NOT-TO-EXCEED AMOUNT OF \$635,000.

Agenda Item No. 5 – Proposed Property Offers Discussion

Mr. Flanagan covered this agenda item at the beginning of the meeting.

Agenda Item No. 6 – Public Comment
None.

The meeting adjourned at 1:24 p.m.

Chairman

ATTEST:
