

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

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3:00 p.m., Tuesday  
September 14, 2010

District Headquarters  
Live Oak, Florida

Members of the Governing Board Present:

Don Quincey, Jr., Chairman  
David Flagg, Vice Chairman  
Alphonas Alexander  
Dr. Linden Davidson  
Heath Davis  
Jay Fraleigh  
Carl Meece (Arrived at 4:15 p.m.)  
Guy N. Williams

Members of the Governing Board Absent:

Donald Ray Curtis, III  
Jay Fraleigh

Staff:

David Still	Tom Brown, Legal Counsel
Charlie Houser	Jon Dinges
Joe Flanagan	Melanie Roberts
Steve Minnis	Megan Wetherington
Lisa Cheshire	Vanessa Fultz
Cindy Johnson	Glenn Horvath
Pennie Flickinger	Edwin McCook
Bob Heeke	

Participating Guests:

Matthew Bridges, DOF, Live Oak, FL  
Barney and Renate Cannon, Chiefland, FL  
Steve Carpenter, DOF, Live Oak, FL  
Gary Cochran, FFWCC, Tallahassee, FL  
Brad Ellis, DOF, Live Oak, FL

Josh Eaton, FDOT, Lake City, FL  
Michael Hein, Water and Air Research, Gainesville, FL  
Bob Biambrone, Water and Air Research, Gainesville, FL  
Tom Houston, FFWCC, Tallahassee, FL  
Derek Johnson, EC Driver and Associates, Tallahassee, FL  
John Kasbohm, USFWS Lower Suwannee National Wildlife Refuge, Chiefland, FL  
Sam Leneave, DOF, Lake City, FL  
Luis Maldonado, EC Driver and Associates, Tallahassee, FL  
Danny Raulerson, Florida Farm Bureau, Gainesville, FL

The meeting was called to order at 3:00 p.m.

Tom Brown, Legal Counsel, gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

The roll was called and a quorum noted.

### Agenda Item No. 3 - Additions, Deletions, or Changes to the Agenda.

Change:

- Updated August 30, 2010 Teleconference Minutes

### Mission Support

Change:

- Updated Agenda Item 14, Recommended Insurance Providers

### Water Supply and Resource Management

Change:

- Updated Agenda Item 20, Authorization to Enter into a Contract with the United States Geological Survey (USGS), Tallahassee District, for Streamgaging Services

### Land Acquisition and Management

Deletions:

- Agenda Item 30, Amendment to Conservation Easement with Plum Creek Timberlands, L.P.
- Agenda Item 31, Utility Easement to Fowler's Bluff Water System Association, Inc.

Change:

- Updated Agenda Item 56, Otter Springs FY 2010 Budget

Agenda Item No. 4 – Approval of Agenda.

ON A MOTION BY DR. DAVIDSON, SECONDED BY MR. DAVIS, AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, THE GOVERNING BOARD APPROVED THE AUGUST 10, 2010, AGENDA, AS AMENDED.

Agenda Item No. 5 – Consent Agenda.

- Page 8 - Approval of August 10, 2010 Meeting and Workshop Minutes and August 30, 2010 Teleconference Minutes
- MS Page 1, Agenda Item 9 - Approval of July Financial Report
- MS Page 10, Agenda Item 11 – Authorization to Renew Software License and Maintenance Contracts
- MS Page 14, Agenda Item 13 – Procurement of Office Supplies
- WSRM Page 19, Agenda Item 22 – County and City Fee Waiver for Fiscal Year 2010-2011
- LAM Page 37, Agenda Item 29 – Consideration of a Temporary Easement to Florida Department of Transportation for Bridge Construction
- ~~LAM Page 44, Agenda Item 30 – Amendment to the Conservation Easement with Plum Creek Timberlands, L.P. - Deleted~~
- ~~LAM Page 48, Agenda Item 31 – Utility Easement to Fowler’s Bluff Water System Association, Inc. - Deleted~~
- LAM Page 82, Agenda Item 34 – Approved Appraiser List for Fiscal Year 2011
- LAM Page 84, Agenda Item 35 – Approved Environmental Auditor List for Fiscal Year 2011
- LAM Page 86, Agenda Item 36 – Approved Surveyor List for Fiscal Year 2011
- LAM Page 88, Agenda Item 37 – Contract 09/10-032 with Michael Candler for Review Appraiser Services
- LAM Page 89, Agenda Item 38 – Contract 98/99-098 with the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission for Cooperative Management of District Lands for Fiscal Year 2011
- LAM Page 90, Agenda Item 39 – Division of Forestry (DOF) Cooperative Management Agreement 04/05-080 and Twin Rivers State Forest Funding Agreement 05/06-131

- LAM Page 92, Agenda Item 40 – Contract 00/01-213 with U S Department of the Interior/Fish and Wildlife Service to Fund a Public Use Specialist at the Cedar Keys National Wildlife Refuge
- LAM Page 94, Agenda Item 41 – Contract 04/05-250 with Mayo Correctional Institution

Agenda Item No. 6 – Approval of Recommended Consent Items.

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

Agenda Item No. 7 – Approval of Minutes. Approved on Consent

Agenda Item No. 8 - Items of General Interest for Information/Cooperating Agencies and Organizations.

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

**DEPARTMENT OF MISSION SUPPORT**

Agenda Item No. 9 – Approval of July Financial Report. Approved on consent.

Agenda Item No. 10 – Consideration of Agreement with James Moore & Co., P.L. for the Audit of Financial Statements. Melanie Roberts, Department Director, presented the staff recommendation for Governing Board authorization for the Executive Director to enter into an agreement with James Moore & Co., P.L., for preparation of the audit and financial statements portion of the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for Fiscal Years 2011 through 2014, as shown in the Board materials.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY MR. DAVIS, AND SECONDED BY MR. FLAGG, FOR APPROVAL OF THE STAFF RECOMENDATION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH JAMES MOORE & CO., P.L., FOR PREPARATION OF THE AUDIT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PORTION OF THE COMPREHENSIVE ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT FOR FISCAL YEARS 2011 THROUGH 2014.

Mr. Williams presented concerns regarding the renewal of the contract without detailed clarification of the services provided by the auditors for the not-to-exceed amount of \$34,000.

Bidding out the contract for auditing services was discussed by the members.

MR. DAVIS WITHDREW HIS MOTION AND MR. FLAGG CONCURRED WITH THE WITHDRAWAL. CHAIRMAN QUINCEY DEFERRED THE RECOMMENDATION FOR APPROVAL OF CONTRACT FOR THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH JAMES MOORE & CO., P.L., FOR PREPARATION OF THE AUDIT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PORTION OF THE COMPREHENSIVE ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT FOR FISCAL YEARS 2011 THROUGH 2014 UNTIL THE NEXT REGULARLY SCHEDULED GOVERNING BOARD MEETING TO PROVIDE JAMES MORE AND CO. TIME TO PROVIDE THE ANSWERS TO MR. WILLIAMS QUESTIONS.

Agenda Item No. 11 – Authorization to Renew Software License and Maintenance Contracts. Approved on consent.

Agenda Item No. 12 – Consideration of Agreement with Thomas W. Brown for Legal Services. Ms. Roberts presented the staff recommendation for Governing Board authorization for the Executive Director to enter into a contract with Thomas W. Brown of Brannon, Brown, Haley, & Bullock, P.A., for Fiscal Year 2011, as shown in the Board materials.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY MR. FLAGG, AND SECONDED BY MR. DAVIS, FOR APPROVAL OF THE STAFF RECCOMENDATION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH THOMAS W. BROWN OF BRANNON, BROWN, HALEY, & BULLOCK, P.A., FOR FISCAL YEAR 2011.

Mr. Williams presented concerns with the renewal of the contract.

MR. FLAGG WITHDREW HIS MOTION AND MR. DAVIS CONCURRED WITH THE WITHDRAWAL. CHAIRMAN QUINCEY DEFERRED THE RECOMMENDATION FOR AUTHORIZATION FOR THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH THOMAS W. BROWN OF BRANNON, BROWN, HALEY, & BULLOCK, P.A., FOR FISCAL YEAR 2011 UNTIL THE NEXT REGULARLY

**SCHEDULED GOVERNING BOARD MEETING TO ALLOW STAFF TO CONDUCT A WORKSHOP ON COMPLIANCE AND ENFORCEMENT PROCEDURES.**

Agenda Item No. 13 – Procurement of Office Supplies. Approved on consent.

Agenda Item No. 14 – Recommended Insurance Providers. Refer to updated memo in supplemental section.

Supplemental Item – Updated Agenda Item 14, Recommended Insurance Providers. Ms. Roberts presented the staff recommendation for Governing Board authorization for the Executive Director to procure insurance coverage from the most cost-effective providers at an aggregate premium cost of \$760,568 for Fiscal Year 2011, as shown in the Board materials.

David Still discussed the negotiations and research conducted in the attempt to procure fair and equitable insurance coverage for the District.

Mr. Davis commented on the reality of the current and foreseen future of a continued dwindling economic situation.

Chairman Quincey instructed staff to begin the insurance process earlier in the next fiscal year in order to bring back a status report and recommendation for discussion at the May, 2011 workshop.

**ON A MOTION BY MR. DAVIS, SECONDED BY DR. DAVIDSON, AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, THE GOVERNING BOARD AUTHORIZED THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO PROCURE INSURANCE COVERAGES FROM THE MOST COST-EFFECTIVE PROVIDERS AT AN AGGREGATE PREMIUM COST OF \$760,568 FOR FISCAL YEAR 2011.**

Agenda Item No. 15 - 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. 16 – Authorization to Enter into a Contract with Consultant in Order of Ranking for Surfacewater Quality and Biological Sampling and Laboratory Analyses. Jon Dinges, Department Director, presented the staff recommendation

for authorization for the Executive Director to enter into a contract with Water & Air Research, Inc., for an amount not to exceed \$275,000, as shown in the Board materials.

The utilization of data collected from sister agencies was discussed.

ON A MOTION BY MR. FLAGG, SECONDED BY MR. DAVIS, AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, THE GOVERNING BOARD AUTHORIZED THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH WATER & AIR RESEARCH, INC., FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$275,000.

Agenda Item No. 17 – Authorization for Extension of Contractual Services with Nestlé Waters North America. Mr. Dinges presented the staff recommendation for Governing Board authorization for the Executive Director to amend the current revenue contract with Nestlé Waters North America for an additional year of service from October 1, 2010, until September 30, 2011, for a fee of \$96,800, as shown in the Board materials.

ON A MOTION BY MR. DAVIS, SECONDED BY DR. DAVIDSON, AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, THE GOVERNING BOARD AUTHORIZED THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO AMEND THE CURRENT REVENUE CONTRACT WITH NESTLÉ WATERS NORTH AMERICA FOR AN ADDITIONAL YEAR OF SERVICE FROM OCTOBER 1, 2010, UNTIL SEPTEMBER 30, 2011, FOR A FEE OF \$96,800.

Agenda Item 18 – Amend Contract #07/08-007 with Vieux & Associates, Inc., to Purchase Gage Radar-Rainfall Data. Mr. Dinges presented the staff recommendation for Governing Board authorization for the Executive Director to renew the contract with Vieux & Associates, Inc., for Fiscal Years 2011 and 2012 and to purchase radar rainfall data for Fiscal Year 2011 for an amount not to exceed \$26,500, as shown in the Board materials.

ON A MOTION BY MR. FLAGG, SECONDED BY MR. MEECE, AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, THE GOVERNING BOARD AUTHORIZED THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO RENEW THE CONTRACT WITH VIEUX & ASSOCIATES, INC., FOR FISCAL YEARS 2011 AND 2012 AND TO PURCHASE RADAR RAINFALL DATA FOR FISCAL YEAR 2011 FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$26,500.

Agenda Item 19 – Authorization to Enter into a Contract with the United States Geological Survey (USGS), Georgia District, for Streamgaging Services. Mr. Dinges presented the staff recommendation for Governing Board authorization for the

Executive Director to enter into a contract with the USGS in the amount of \$27,200 for streamgaging services of which \$15,650 will be provided by the District, as shown in the Board materials.

ON A MOTION BY DR. DAVIDSON, SECONDED BY MR. MEECE, AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, THE GOVERNING BOARD AUTHORIZED THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH THE USGS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$27,200 FOR STREAMGAGING SERVICES OF WHICH \$15,650 WILL BE PROVIDED BY THE DISTRICT.

Agenda Item No. 20 – Authorization to Enter into a Contract with the USGS, Tallahassee District, for Streamgaging Services. Refer to updated memo in supplemental section.

Agenda Item No. 21 – Authorization to Publish Notices of Rule Development, Proposed Rule, and File Amendments to 40B-1.706 and 40B-2.041, Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.). Mr. Dinges presented the staff recommendation for Governing Board authorization to publish notices of rule development for sections 40B-1.706 and 40B-2.041, F.A.C.; publish notices of proposed rule for sections 40B-1.706 and 40B-2.041, F.A.C.; and file 40B-1.706 and 40B-2.041, F.A.C., with the Department of State if no comments or objections are received, as shown in the Board materials.

ON A MOTION BY MR. DAVIS, SECONDED BY MR. MEECE, AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, THE GOVERNING BOARD AUTHORIZED STAFF TO PUBLISH NOTICES OF RULE DEVELOPMENT FOR SECTIONS 40B-1.706 AND 40B-2.041, F.A.C.; PUBLISH NOTICES OF PROPOSED RULE FOR SECTIONS 40B-1.706 AND 40B-2.041, F.A.C.; AND FILE 40B-1.706 AND 40B-2.041, F.A.C., WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE IF NO COMMENTS OR OBJECTIONS ARE RECEIVED.

Agenda Item No. 22 – County and City Fee Waiver for Fiscal Year 2010-2011. Approved on consent.

Supplemental Item – Updated Agenda Item 20, Authorization to Enter into a Contract with the United States Geological Survey (USGS), Tallahassee District, for Streamgaging Services. Mr. Dinges presented the staff recommendation for Governing Board authorization for the Executive Director to enter into a contract with

the USGS in the amount of \$518,800 for streamgaging services of which \$319,100 will be provided by the District, as shown in the Board materials.

ON A MOTION BY MR. DAVIS, SECONDED BY DR. DAVIDSON, AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, THE GOVERNING BOARD AUTHORIZED THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH THE USGS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$518,800 FOR STREAMGAGING SERVICES OF WHICH \$319,100 WILL BE PROVIDED BY THE DISTRICT.

Agenda Item No. 23 - 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. 24 – Environmental Resource Permits Issued by Staff. The Environmental Resource Permits issued by staff report was provided as an informational item in the Board materials.

Agenda Item No. 25 - As-Built Compliance and works of the District Projects Summaries. The As-Built Compliance and Works of the District Projects Summaries were provided as informational items in the Board materials.

## **DEPARTMENT OF LAND ACQUISITION AND MANAGEMENT**

Agenda Item No. 26 – Purchase of Santa Fe River Hammock, LLC/Santa Fe River Hammock Conservation Easement in Bradford County. Joe Flanagan, Department Director, presented the staff recommendation for Governing Board approval and execution of Resolution 2010-17 authorizing the Executive Director to exercise an Option to Purchase a conservation easement on the 168-acre ± Santa Fe River Hammock, LLC, property in Bradford County and authorizing approval of Preservation 2000 resale funds for this purchase, as shown in the Board materials.

There were no public comments.

ON A MOTION MADE BY MR. DAVIS, SECONDED BY MR. FLAGG, AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, THE GOVERNING BOARD APPROVED AND EXECUTED RESOLUTION 2010-17 AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO EXERCISE AN OPTION TO PURCHASE A CONSERVATION EASEMENT ON THE 168-ACRE ± SANTA FE RIVER HAMMOCK, LLC, PROPERTY IN

BRADFORD COUNTY AND AUTHORIZED APPROVAL OF PRESERVATION 2000  
RESALE FUNDS FOR THIS PURCHASE.

Agenda Item No. 27 – Detailed Assessment of Robert Shaw/Santa Fe Swamp Addition Parcel in Alachua and Bradford Counties. Mr. Flanagan presented the staff recommendation for Governing Board authorization to commence detailed assessment and negotiations for the fee purchase of the 60-acre ± Robert Shaw/Santa Fe Swamp Addition on the Santa Fe River in Alachua and Bradford Counties, as shown in the Board materials.

ON A MOTION BY MR. DAVIS, SECONDED BY MR. ALEXANDER, AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, THE GOVERNING BOARD GAVE AUTHORIZATION TO COMMENCE DETAILED ASSESSMENT AND NEGOTIATIONS FOR THE FEE PURCHASE OF THE 60-ACRE ± ROBERT SHAW/SANTA FE SWAMP ADDITION ON THE SANTA FE RIVER IN ALACHUA AND BRADFORD COUNTIES.

Agenda Item No. 28 – Right of Refusal on Plantation at Deep Creek Conservation Easement. Mr. Flanagan presented the staff recommendation for Governing Board to decline the Right of First Refusal for purchase of 1,192 acres ± currently under a conservation easement with Plantation at Deep Creek LLC (Deep Creek), as shown in the Board materials

ON A MOTION BY DR. DAVIDSON, SECONDED BY MR. DAVIS, AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, THE GOVERNING BOARD DECLINED THE RIGHT OF FIRST REFUSAL FOR PURCHASE OF 1,192 ACRES ± CURRENTLY UNDER A CONSERVATION EASEMENT WITH PLANTATION AT DEEP CREEK LLC (DEEP CREEK).

Agenda Item No. 29 – Consideration of a Temporary Easement to Florida Department of Transportation for Bridge Construction. Approved on consent.

Agenda Item No. 30 – Amendment to the Conservation Easement with Plum Creek Timberlands, L.P. Deleted.

Agenda Item No. 31 – Utility Easement to Fowler's Bluff Water System Association, Inc. Deleted.

Agenda Item No. 32 – 40B-9 Rule Development. Mr. Flanagan presented the staff recommendation for Governing Board authorization for initiation of rule development for Chapter 40B-9, Florida Administrative Code, as shown in the Board materials.

ON A MOTION BY MR. DAVIS, SECONDED BY DR. DAVIDSON, AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, THE GOVERNING BOARD AUTHORIZED INITIATION OF RULE DEVELOPMENT FOR CHAPTER 40B-9, FLORIDA ADMINISTRATIVE CODE.

Agenda Item No. 33 – Management Agreement Between the District and R.O. Ranch. Mr. Flanagan presented the staff recommendation for Governing Board approval and execution of a management agreement with R.O. Ranch, Inc., to manage the R.O. Ranch Equestrian Park in Lafayette County, Florida, as shown in the Board materials.

ON A MOTION BY MR. DAVIS, SECONDED BY MR. FLAGG, AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, THE GOVERNING BOARD GAVE APPROVAL TO EXECUTE A MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT WITH R.O. RANCH, INC., TO MANAGE THE R.O. RANCH EQUESTRIAN PARK IN LAFAYETTE COUNTY, FLORIDA.

Agenda Item No. 34 – Approved Appraiser List for Fiscal Year 2011. Approved on consent.

Agenda Item No. 35 – Approved Environmental Auditor List for Fiscal Year 2011. Approved on consent.

Agenda Item No. 36 – Approved Surveyor List for Fiscal Year 2011. Approved on consent.

Agenda Item No. 37 – Contract 09/10-032 with Michael Candler for Review Appraiser Services. Approved on consent.

Agenda Item No. 38 – Contract 98/99-098 with the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission for Cooperative Management of District Lands for Fiscal Year 2011. Approved on consent.

Agenda Item No. 39 – Division of Forestry (DOF) Cooperative Management Agreement 04/05-080 and Twin Rivers State Forest Funding Agreement 05/06-131. Approved on consent.

Agenda Item No. 40 – Contract 00/01-213 with U S Department of the Interior/Fish and Wildlife Service to Fund a Public Use Specialist at the Cedar Keys National Wildlife Refuge. Approved on consent.

Agenda Item No. 41 – Contract 04/05-250 with Mayo Correctional Institution. Approved on consent.

Agenda Item No. 42 – Contract 07/08-054 with the University of Florida for Conserved Forest Ecosystem Outreach and Research Funding. Mr. Flanagan presented the staff recommendation for Governing Board authorization to continue contract 07/08-054 for the Cooperative for Conserved Forest Ecosystem Outreach and Research (CFEOR) Funding with the University of Florida for Fiscal Year 2011 for an amount not to exceed \$20,000, as shown in the Board materials.

ON A MOTION BY MR. FLAGG, SECONDED BY DR. DAVIDSON, AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, THE GOVERNING BOARD GAVE AUTHORIZATION TO CONTINUE CONTRACT 07/08-054 FOR THE CFEOR FUNDING WITH THE UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA FOR FISCAL YEAR 2011 FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$20,000.

Agenda Item No. 43 – Contract 08/09-007 with Perpetual Contracting, Inc., for Land Management Services for Fiscal Year 2011. Mr. Flanagan presented the staff recommendation for Governing Board approval and execution of an amendment to the agreement with Perpetual Contracting, Inc., for land management services for Fiscal Year 2011 for an amount not to exceed \$240,000, as shown in the Board materials.

ON A MOTION BY MR. MEECE, SECONDED BY FLAGG, AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, THE GOVERNING BOARD GAVE APPROVAL AND EXECUTION OF AN AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT WITH PERPETUAL CONTRACTING, INC., FOR LAND MANAGEMENT SERVICES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2011 FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$240,000.

Agenda Item No. 44 – Contract 08/09-022 with John A. Cruce, Jr., Inc., for Land Management Services. Mr. Flanagan presented the staff recommendation for Governing Board authorization for continuation of the contract with John A. Cruce, Jr., Inc., for hardwood chipping services for Fiscal Year 2011 for an amount not to exceed \$24,000, as shown in the Board materials.

Mr. Alexander stated a possible conflict of interest and abstained from voting on Agenda Item 44 – recommendation for authorization for continuation of the contract with John A. Cruce, Jr., Inc., for hardwood chipping services for Fiscal Year 2011 for an amount not to exceed \$24,000, and signed a conflict of interest form. That form is hereby made a part of these minutes and filed in the permanent files of the District.

ON A MOTION BY MR. DAVIS, SECONDED BY DR. DAVIDSON, WITH MR. ALEXANDER ABSTAINING, THE GOVERNING BOARD AUTHORIZED THE CONTINUATION OF THE CONTRACT WITH JOHN A. CRUCE, JR., INC., FOR HARDWOOD CHIPPING SERVICES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2011 FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$24,000.

Agenda Item No. 45 – Contract 08/09-032 with Natural Resource Planning Services for Land Management Services for Fiscal Year 2011. Mr. Flanagan presented the staff recommendation for Governing Board authorization for continuation of the contract for land management services with Natural Resource Planning Services, Inc., (NRPS) for Fiscal Year 2011 for an amount not to exceed \$46,000, as shown in the Board materials.

ON A MOTION BY DR. DAVIS, SECONDED BY FLAGG, AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, THE GOVERNING BOARD AUTHORIZED CONTINUATION OF THE CONTRACT FOR LAND MANAGEMENT SERVICES WITH NRPS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2011 FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$46,000.

Agenda Item No. 46 – Contract for 08/09-033 with The Forestry Company for Land Management Services for Fiscal Year 2011. Mr. Flanagan presented the staff recommendation for Governing Board authorization for continuation of the contract for land management services with The Forestry Company (TFC) for Fiscal Year 2011 for an amount not to exceed \$86,000, as shown in the Board materials.

Mr. Alexander stated a possible conflict of interest and abstained from voting on Agenda Item 46 – recommendation for authorization for continuation of the contract for land management services with The Forestry Company (TFC) for Fiscal Year 2011 for an amount not to exceed \$86,000, and signed a conflict of interest form. That form is hereby made a part of these minutes and filed in the permanent files of the District.

ON A MOTION BY MR. DAVIS, SECONDED BY MR. FLAGG, WITH MR. ALEXANDER ABSTAINING, THE GOVERNING BOARD AUTHORIZED CONTINUATION OF THE CONTRACT FOR LAND MANAGEMENT SERVICES WITH TFC FOR FISCAL YEAR 2011 FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$86,000.

Agenda Item No. 47 – Contract 08/09-042 with B & B Dugger, Inc., for Prescribed Fire Management Services for Fiscal Year 2011. Mr. Flanagan presented the staff recommendation for Governing Board authorization for continuation of the contract for prescribed fire management services with B & B Dugger, Inc., for Fiscal Year 2011 for an amount not to exceed \$90,000, as shown in the Board materials.

ON A MOTION BY MR. DAVIS, SECONDED BY DR. DAVIDSON, AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, THE GOVERNING BOARD AUTHORIZED CONTINUATION OF THE CONTRACT FOR PRESCRIBED FIRE MANAGEMENT SERVICES WITH B & B DUGGER, INC., FOR FISCAL YEAR 2011 FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$90,000.

Agenda Item No. 48 – Contract 08/09-043 Natural Resource Planning Services, Inc., for Prescribed Fire Management Services for fiscal Year 2011. Mr. Flanagan presented the staff recommendation for Governing Board authorization for continuation of the contract with NRPS for prescribed fire management services for Fiscal Year 2011 for an amount not to exceed \$100,000, as shown in the Board materials.

ON A MOTION BY MR. DAVIS, SECONDED BY MR. FLAGG, AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, THE GOVERNING BOARD AUTHORIZED CONTINUATION OF THE CONTRACT WITH NRPS FOR PRESCRIBED FIRE MANAGEMENT SERVICES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2011 FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$100,000.

Agenda Item No. 49 – Contract 08/09-045 with The Forestry Company for Prescribed Fire Management Services and Wetland Roller Chopping for Fiscal Year 2011. Mr. Flanagan presented the staff recommendation for Governing Board authorization for continuation of contract 08/09-045 with TFC for prescribed fire management services and wetland roller chopping for Fiscal Year 2011 for an amount not to exceed \$120,000, as shown in the Board materials.

Mr. Alexander stated a possible conflict of interest and abstained from voting on Agenda Item 49 – recommendation for authorization for continuation of the contract 08/09-045 with TFC for prescribed fire management services and wetland roller chopping for Fiscal Year 2011 for an amount not to exceed \$120,000, and signed a conflict of interest form. That form is hereby made a part of these minutes and filed in the permanent files of the District.

ON A MOTION BY MR. DAVIS, SECONDED BY DR. DAVIDSON, WITH MR. ALEXANDER ABSTAINING, THE GOVERNING BOARD AUTHORIZED CONTINUATION OF CONTRACT 08/09-045 WITH TFC FOR PRESCRIBED FIRE MANAGEMENT SERVICES AND WETLAND ROLLER CHOPPING FOR FISCAL YEAR 2011 FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$120,000.

Agenda Item No. 50 – Contract 08/09-046 with Wildland Fire Services for Prescribed Fire Management Services for Fiscal Year 2011. Mr. Flanagan presented the staff recommendation for Governing Board authorization for continuation of the contract with Wildland Fire Services for prescribed fire management services for Fiscal Year 2011 for an amount not to exceed \$250,000, as shown in the Board materials.

ON A MOTION BY MR. DAVIS, SECONDED BY MR. ALEXANDER, AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, THE GOVERNING BOARD AUTHORIZED CONTINUATION OF THE CONTRACT WITH WILDLAND FIRE SERVICES FOR PRESCRIBED FIRE MANAGEMENT SERVICES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2011 FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$250,000.

Agenda Item No. 51 – Contract 08/09-171 with A-1 Land Development, Inc., for Site Preparation Services for Fiscal Year 2011. Mr. Flanagan presented the staff recommendation for Governing Board authorization for continuation of the contract with A-1 Land Development, Inc., for site preparation services for Fiscal Year 2011 for an amount not to exceed \$30,000, as shown in the Board materials.

ON A MOTION BY MR. DAVIS, SECONDED BY MR. FLAGG, AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, THE GOVERNING BOARD AUTHORIZED CONTINUATION OF THE CONTRACT WITH A-1 LAND DEVELOPMENT, INC., FOR SITE PREPARATION SERVICES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2011 FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$30,000.

Agenda Item No. 52 – Contract 08/09-172 with Shaw’s Welding, Inc., for Site Preparation Services. Mr. Flanagan presented the staff recommendation for Governing Board authorization for continuation of the contract with Shaw’s Welding, Inc., for site preparation services for Fiscal Year 2011 for an amount not to exceed \$30,000, as shown in the Board materials.

ON A MOTION BY MR. DAVIS, SECONDED BY MR. FLAGG, AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, THE GOVERNING BOARD AUTHORIZED CONTINUATION OF THE CONTRACT WITH SHAW’S WELDING, INC., FOR SITE PREPARATION SERVICES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2011 FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$30,000.

Agenda Item No. 53 – Contract 09/10-067 with GIS Associates, Inc., for GIS Support Services for Fiscal Year 2011. Mr. Flanagan presented the staff recommendation for Governing Board authorization for continuation of the contract with GIS Associates, Inc., for GIS support services for a total fee not to exceed \$120,000 through Fiscal Year 2011, as shown in the Board materials.

ON A MOTION BY MR. DAVIS, SECONDED BY DR. DAVIDSON, AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, THE GOVERNING BOARD AUTHORIZED CONTINUATION OF THE CONTRACT WITH GIS ASSOCIATES, INC., FOR GIS SUPPORT SERVICES FOR A TOTAL FEE NOT TO EXCEED \$120,000 THROUGH FISCAL YEAR 2011.

Agenda Item No. 54 – Purchase of Rock Aggregate. Mr. Flanagan presented the staff recommendation for Governing Board authorization for staff to purchase rock and fill aggregate on an as-needed basis from a Department of Transportation (DOT) certified mine near the project site for a total cost not to exceed \$116,000, as shown in the Board materials.

ON A MOTION BY MR. ALEXANDER, SECONED BY DR. DAVIDSON, AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, THE GOVERNING BOARD AUTHORIZED STAFF TO PURCHASE ROCK AND FILL AGGREGATE ON AN AS-NEEDED BASIS FROM A DOT CERTIFIED MINE NEAR THE PROJECT SITE FOR A TOTAL COST NOT TO EXCEED \$116,000.

Agenda Item No. 55 – Request to Not List the 110-Acre Santa Fe Oasis Parcel from the District List of Surplus Lands and Authorization to Negotiate with the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission on the Management of the Parcel. Mr. Flanagan presented the staff recommendation for Governing Board authorization to

not list the 110-acre Santa Fe Oasis parcel in Gilchrist County and authorization to negotiate with the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) on the management of the parcel, as shown in the Board materials.

ON A MOTION BY MR. DAVIS, SECONDED BY MR. FLAGG, AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, THE GOVERNING BOARD GAVE AUTHORIZATION TO NOT LIST THE 110-ACRE SANTA FE OASIS PARCEL IN GILCHRIST COUNTY AND AUTHORIZATION TO NEGOTIATE WITH THE FWC ON THE MANAGEMENT OF THE PARCEL.

Agenda Item No. 56 – Otter Springs FY 2010 Budget. Refer to the updated memo in the supplemental section.

Supplemental Item – Updated Agenda Item 56, Otter Springs FY 2010 Budget. Mr. Flanagan presented the staff recommendation for Governing Board authorization for the Executive Director to transfer funds to Gilchrist County for the Springs Lodge renovation project for an amount not to exceed \$48,000, as shown in the Board materials.

Mr. McQueen thanked the board for the opportunity to be a partner with the SRWMD.

ON A MOTION BY MR. FLAGG, SECONDED BY MR. DAVIS, AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, THE GOVERNING BOARD AUTHORIZED THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO TRANSFER FUNDS TO GILCHRIST COUNTY FOR THE SPRINGS LODGE RENOVATION PROJECT FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$48,000.

Agenda Item No. 57 - Land Acquisition Activity Report. The Land Acquisition Activity Report was provided as an informational item in the Board materials.

Agenda Item No. 58 - Land Management Activity Report. The Land Management Activity Report was provided as an informational item in the Board materials.

Agenda Item No. 59 – R. O. Ranch Activity Report. The R. O. Ranch Activity Report was provided as an informational item in the Board materials.

**LEGAL COUNSEL REPORT**

Agenda Item No. 60 - 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. 61 - Executive Director's Report.  
Mr. Meece gave an update on the Surplus Lands Committee meeting held on August 24, 2010.

Agenda Item No. 62 – Governing Board Communications Preferences. The Governing Board communications preferences report was provided as an informational item in the Board materials.

Agenda Item No. 63 - Executive Office Activity Report. The Executive Office Activity Report was provided as an informational item in the Board materials.

The meeting adjourned at 5:19 p.m.

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Chairman

ATTEST:

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SUWANNEE RIVER WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT  
MINUTES OF  
PUBLIC HEARING ON FY 2011 BUDGET

Note: A recording has been made of these proceedings and is on file in the permanent files of the District. A copy of the Suwannee River Water Management District (SRWMD) FY 2011 Budget is a part of the record as if set out in full herein, and is filed in the permanent files of the District.

5:30 p.m., Tuesday  
September 14, 2010

District Headquarters  
Live Oak, Florida

Members of the Governing Board Present:

Don Quincey, Jr., Chairman  
David Flagg, Vice Chairman  
Alphonas Alexander  
Dr. Linden Davidson  
Heath Davis  
Jay Fraleigh  
Carl Meece (Arrived at 4:15 p.m.)  
Guy N. Williams

Members of the Governing Board Absent:

Donald Ray Curtis, III  
Jay Fraleigh

Staff:

David Still	Tom Brown, Legal Counsel
Charlie Houder	Jon Dinges
Joe Flanagan	Melanie Roberts
Steve Minnis	Megan Wetherington
Lisa Cheshire	Vanessa Fultz
Cindy Johnson	Glenn Horvath
Vern Roberts	

Participating Guests:

Barney and Renate Cannon, Chiefland, FL  
Danny Raulerson, Florida Farm Bureau, Gainesville, FL

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. The roll was called and a quorum noted.

Agenda Item No. 2 - Explanation of Purpose of Public Hearing. Melanie Roberts, Budget Support Specialist, explained that the TRIM Bill requires the Governing Board to hold two public hearings in September after 5:00 p.m. This is the first public hearing and is for the purpose of adopting a proposed millage rate and tentative budget for Fiscal Year 2011. On September 28, 2010, the Governing Board will adopt the final millage rate and final budget.

Agenda Item No. 3 - Board Discussion of the Proposed Millage Rate for FY 2011 of 0.4399, a 5.3 Percent Decrease from the Rolled Back Millage Rate of 0.4654.

Agenda Item No. 4 - Comments and Questions from the General Public.  
There were no public comments.

Agenda Item No. 5 - Adoption of Proposed Millage Rate.  
ON A MOTION BY MR. DAVIS, SECONDED BY DR. DAVIDSON, AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, THE GOVERNING BOARD AUTHORIZED THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO ADOPT A PROPOSED MILLAGE RATE OF .4399.

Agenda Item No. 6 - Adoption of Tentative Budget (\$56,514,539).  
ON A MOTION BY MR. MEECE, SECONDED BY MR. ALEXANDER, AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, THE GOVERNING BOARD AUTHORIZED THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO ADOPT A TENTATIVE BUDGET of \$56,514,539 FOR FISCAL YEAR 2010-2011.

Agenda Item No. 7 - Announcements. Ms. Roberts reported that the Public Hearing to adopt the final budget and millage rate will be held on September 28, 2010, at 5:30 p.m., at District headquarters.

With no additional business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 5:48 p.m.

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Chairman

ATTEST:

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SUWANNEE RIVER WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT  
MINUTES OF  
GOVERNING BOARD WORKSHOP

Note: Recordings have been used to record these proceedings and are on file in the permanent files of the District. A copy of the Governing Board materials and handouts are a part of the record as if set out in full herein, and are filed in the permanent files of the District.

3:00 p.m., Tuesday  
September 28, 2010

District Headquarters  
Live Oak, Florida

Members of the Governing Board Present:

Don Quincey, Jr., Chairman  
David Flagg, Vice Chairman  
Donald Ray Curtis, III  
Alphonas Alexander  
Heath Davis  
Jay Fraleigh

Members of the Governing Board Absent:

Dr. Linden Davidson  
Carl Meece  
Guy N. Williams

Staff:

David Still	Tom Brown, Legal Counsel
Charlie Houder	Joe Flanagan
Jon Dinges	Melanie Roberts
Steve Minnis	Megan Wetherington
Lisa Cheshire	Cindy Johnson
Vanessa Fultz	Tim Sagul

Participating Guests:

Guy Anglin, Bascom, FL  
Staci Braswell, Florida Farm Bureau, Gainesville, FL  
Tony Cunningham, Gainesville Regional Utilities, Gainesville, FL  
Rick Hutton, Gainesville Regional Utilities, Gainesville, FL  
Ed Regan, Gainesville Regional Utilities, Gainesville, FL  
David Richardson, Gainesville Regional Utilities, Gainesville, FL

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David Still, Executive Director, introduced Tony Cunningham from Gainesville Regional Utilities.

Tony Cunningham, GRU, gave a presentation on their long-term reclaimed water plans:

- Conservation – demand side management
- Reclaimed water – offset of groundwater demands
- Reclaimed water – aquifer recharge

Mr. Cunningham gave a status of the future service to the biomass plant and Deerhaven and the costs and funding associated with these projects.

Jon Dinges, Director of Water Supply and Resource Management, presented a copy and discussed the proposed revised Compliance and Enforcement policy that will be presented to the Governing Board for adoption.

Workshop adjourned at 4:36 p.m.

SUWANNEE RIVER WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT  
MINUTES OF  
FINAL PUBLIC HEARING ON FY 2011 BUDGET

Note: Recordings have been made of these procedures and are on file in the permanent files of the District. A copy of the Suwannee River Water Management District (SRWMD) FY 2011 Budget is a part of the record as if set out in full herein, but is filed in the permanent files of the District.

Members of the Governing Board Present:

Don Quincey, Jr., Chairman  
David Flagg, Vice Chairman  
Donald Ray Curtis, III  
Heath Davis  
Jay Fraleigh

Members of the Governing Board Absent:

Alphonas Alexander  
Dr. Linden Davidson  
Carl Meece  
Guy N. Williams

Staff:

David Still	Tom Brown, Legal Counsel
Charlie Houser	Jon Dinges
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Cindy Johnson	Glenn Horvath
Vern Roberts	

Participating Guests:

Guy Anglin, Bascom, FL  
Staci Braswell, Florida Farm Bureau, Gainesville, FL

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. The roll was called and a quorum noted.

Agenda Item No. 2 - Explanation of Purpose of Public Hearing. Melanie Roberts, Budget Support Specialist, explained that the hearing was being held for the Governing Board to adopt the final millage rate and final budget.

Agenda Item No. 3 - Comments and Questions from the General Public.

There were no public comments.

Agenda Item No. 4 - Adoption of Resolution 2010-19 adopting a final millage rate (0.4399).

ON A MOTION BY MR. DAVIS, SECONDED BY MR. FLAGG, AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, THE GOVERNING BOARD VOTED TO APPROVE AND EXECUTE RESOLUTION 2010-19 ADOPTING A FINAL MILLAGE RATE OF .4399.

Agenda Item No. 5 - Adoption of Resolution 2010-20 adopting a final budget (\$56,514,539).

ON A MOTION BY MR. DAVIS, SECONDED BY MR. FLAGG, AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, THE GOVERNING BOARD VOTED TO APPROVE AND EXECUTE RESOLUTION 2010-20 ADOPTING THE 2011 FINAL BUDGET (\$56,514,539).

Agenda Item No. 6 - Announcements. The next regularly scheduled Governing Board meeting will be held on October 12, 2010 at 9:00 a.m. at District Headquarters.

With no additional business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 5:51 p.m.

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Chairman

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