

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

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9:00 a.m., Tuesday
March 8, 2011

District Headquarters
Live Oak, Florida

Members of the Governing Board Present:

Don Quincey, Jr., Chairman
David Flagg, Vice Chairman
Alphonas Alexander
Donald Ray Curtis, III
Dr. Linden Davidson
Heath Davis
Jay Fraleigh
Carl Meece, Secretary/Treasurer
Guy N. Williams

Members of the Governing Board Absent:

None

Staff:

David Still	Bill Haley, Legal Counsel
Charlie Houder	Melanie Roberts
Jon Dinges	Joe Flanagan
Lisa Cheshire	Linda Welch
Megan Wetherington	Vanessa Fultz
Cindy Johnson	Bill Spencer
Darrell Smith	Bob Heeke
Leah Lamontagne	Vern Roberts
Terry Demott	Tim Sagul
Gwen Lord	

Participating Guests:

Mike Wynn, Manson Law Group, Tampa, FL

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Bob Powell, James Moore & Co., PL, Tallahassee, FL
Jeff Swan, FL Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, Live Oak, FL
Don Curtis, Sr., Tennessee
Don Curtis, Jr., Perry, FL
Charles Lee, Audubon of Florida, Maitland, FL
Sue Weller, City of High Springs, FL
Gary Hardacre, City of Alachua, FL
Dale Williams, Columbia County, Lake City, FL
Jody DuPree, Columbia County Commissioner, Lake City, FL
Ron Williams, Columbia County Commissioner, Lake City, FL
Rusty DePratter, Columbia County Commissioner, Lake City, FL
John Colson, Columbia County, Lake City, FL
Annette Long, Save Our Suwannee, FL
Bob Moresi, Black & Veatch, Tampa, FL
Kellie Shirah, Poole Realty, Live Oak, FL
Ronnie Poole, Poole Realty, Live Oak, FL
Staci Braswell, Florida Farm Bureau Federation, Gainesville, FL
Jonathan Jordan, Jordan Land Clearing, Lake City, FL
Jeffrey Hill, El Rancho No Tengo, Lake City, FL
Mr. and Mrs. Donald Thomas, Lake City, FL
Red Cherry, Friends of the Wacissa, Tallahassee, FL
Mac James, Madison, FL

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

Bill Haley, 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 – Governing Board Election of Officers.

ON A MOTION BY MR. FLAGG, SECONDED BY MR. DAVIS, AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, THE GOVERNING BOARD APPROVED DON QUINCEY, JR., FOR THE POSITION OF CHAIRMAN, ALPHONAS ALEXANDER FOR THE POSITION OF VICE CHAIRMAN, AND DONALD RAY CURTIS, III, FOR THE POSITION OF SECRETARY/TREASURER.

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

Water Supply and Resource Management:

- Deletion: Agenda Item 15, Denial of Environmental Resource Permit Application Number 05-0092M2, Hills of Huntsville – Unit 2, Columbia County
- Deletion: Agenda Item 16, Denial of General Environmental Resource Permit Application Number 09-0068, Myrick Enterprises Apartments, Madison County

Agenda Item No. 5 – Approval of Agenda.

ON A MOTION BY MR. FLAGG, SECONDED BY MR. DAVIS, AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, THE GOVERNING BOARD APPROVED THE MARCH 8, 2011, AGENDA.

Agenda Item No. 6 – Consent Agenda.

- Page 5 - Approval of February 8, 2011 Meeting and Workshop Minutes.
- Agenda Item 9 - Approval of January Financial Report

Agenda Item No. 7 – Approval of Recommended Consent Items.

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

Agenda Item No. 8 – Approval of Minutes.

ON A MOTION BY MR. FLAGG, SECONDED BY MR. DAVIS, AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, THE GOVERNING BOARD APPROVED THE FEBRUARY 8, 2011 MEETING AND WORKSHOP MINUTES.

Agenda Item No. 9 - Items of General Interest for Information/Cooperating Agencies and Organizations.

- A. Chairman Introductions
- B. Dale Williams, County Manager for Columbia County, gave a presentation on using the Bayfield mitigation bank for mitigating wetland impacts within the Cannon Creek basin associated with the Home Depot stormwater retrofit

project. Columbia County Commissioner Ron Williams discussed the need for finding common ground regarding this issue and not taking legal action due to the cost of legal counsel.

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

DEPARTMENT OF MISSION SUPPORT

Agenda Item No. 10 – Approval of January Financial Report. Approved on consent.

Agenda Item No. 11 – Water Conservation Month Proclamation. Melanie Roberts, Department Director, presented the staff recommendation for the Governing Board to declare April 2011 as Water Conservation Month, as shown in the Board materials.

ON A MOTION BY MR. MEECE, SECONDED BY MR. DAVIS, AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, THE GOVERNING BOARD DECLARED APRIL 2011 AS WATER CONSERVATION MONTH.

Agenda Item No. 12 – Fiscal Year 2010 Comprehensive Annual Report. Ms. Roberts presented the staff recommendation for the Governing Board to accept the Fiscal Year 2010 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report and authorize staff to submit the report to the Government Finance Officers Association, as shown in the Board materials. Bob Powell, James Moore & Co., PL, gave a presentation on the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report, and discussed the opinion of the financial statements.

ON A MOTION BY MR. DAVIS, SECONDED BY MR. ALEXANDER, AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, THE GOVERNING BOARD ACCEPTED THE FISCAL YEAR 2010 COMPREHENSIVE ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT AND AUTHORIZED STAFF TO SUBMIT THE REPORT TO THE GOVERNMENT FINANCE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION.

Agenda Item No. 13 - 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. 14 – Adoption of Updated Compliance and Enforcement Policy.
Jon Dinges, Department Director, presented the staff recommendation for Governing Board approval of adoption of the updated compliance and enforcement policy, as shown in the Board materials.

ON A MOTION BY MR. FLAGG, SECONDED BY MR. DAVIS, AND WITH MR. WILLIAMS VOTING AGAINST, THE GOVERNING BOARD APPROVED ADOPTION OF THE UPDATED COMPLIANCE AND ENFORCEMENT POLICY.

Agenda Item No. 15 – Denial of Environmental Resource Permit Application Number 05-0092M2, Hills of Huntsville – Unit 2, Columbia County. DELETED

Agenda Item 16 – Denial of General Environmental Resource Permit Application Number 09-0068, Myrick Enterprises Apartments, Madison County. DELETED

Agenda Item No. 17 – Entry of Final Order 11-0001 for Larry Sigers, Columbia County. Mr. Dinges presented the staff recommendation for Governing Board approval for entry of Final Order 11-0001 for Larry Sigers, Columbia County, as shown in the Board materials.

ON A MOTION BY MR. DAVIS, SECONDED BY MR. FLAGG, AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, THE GOVERNING BOARD APPROVED ENTRY OF FINAL ORDER 11-0001 FOR LARRY SIGERS, COLUMBIA COUNTY.

Agenda Item No. 18 – Suwannee River Partnership (SRP) FY 2011 Suwannee Farms Nitrogen and Phosphorous Budget Project Funding Request. Mr. Dinges presented the staff recommendation for Governing Board approval of the SRP FY 2011 Suwannee Farms Nitrogen and Phosphorous Budget Project funding request, as shown in the Board materials.

ON A MOTION BY MR. DAVIS, SECONDED BY MR. CURTIS, AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, THE GOVERNING BOARD APPROVED THE SRP FY 2011 SUWANNEE FARMS NITROGEN AND PHOSPHOROUS BUDGET PROJECT FUNDING REQUEST.

Agenda Item No. 19 - Activity Reports. The Water Supply and Resource Management, Water Resource Monitoring, Environmental Resource Permitting, and

Suwannee River Partnership Activity Reports were provided as informational items in the Board materials.

DEPARTMENT OF LAND ACQUISITION AND MANAGEMENT

Agenda Item No. 20 – Amendment to Chinquapin Farm Conservation Easement. Joe Flanagan, Department Director, presented the staff recommendation for Governing Board approval to amend the conservation easement with Chinquapin Farm, LLC, for modification of the legal description, as shown in the Board materials

ON A MOTION MADE BY MR. MEECE, SECONDED BY MR. DAVIS, AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, THE GOVERNING BOARD GAVE APPROVAL TO AMEND THE CONSERVATION EASEMENT WITH CHINQUAPIN FARM, LLC, FOR MODIFICATION OF THE LEGAL DESCRIPTION.

Agenda Item No. 21 – Resolution 2011-05 Sale of Westwood West Surplus Property. Mr. Flanagan presented the staff recommendation for Governing Board approval and execution of Resolution 2011-05 authorizing the sale of the Westwood West Tract to Herring Farms, LLC, as shown in the Board materials.

ON A MOTION BY MR. CURTIS, SECONDED BY MR. DAVIS, AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, THE GOVERNING BOARD APPROVED AND EXECUTED RESOLUTION 2011-05 AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF THE WESTWOOD WEST TRACT TO HERRING FARMS, LLC.

Agenda Item No. 22 – Resolution 2011-04 Reimbursement for Preacquisition Costs and Land Management Expenses for the Quarter Ending December 31, 2010. Mr. Flanagan presented the staff recommendation for Governing Board approval and execution of Resolution 2011-04, requesting the Department of Environmental Protection reimburse the District from the Water Management Lands Trust Fund (WMLTF) for Preacquisition costs and quarterly land management expenses expended during the quarter ending December 31, 2010, as shown in the Board materials

ON A MOTION BY MR. FLAGG, SECONDED BY MR. ALEXANDER, AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, THE GOVERNING BOARD APPROVED AND EXECUTED RESOLUTION 2011-04, REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION REIMBURSE THE DISTRICT FROM THE WMLTF FOR PREACQUISITION COSTS AND QUARTERLY LAND

MANAGEMENT EXPENSES EXPENDED DURING THE QUARTER ENDING
DECEMBER 31, 2010.

Agenda Item No. 23 – Program Directive 2011-01 Identification and Disposition of Surplus Real Property. Mr. Flanagan presented the staff recommendation for Governing Board approval for adoption of Program Directive 2011-01 to clarify guidelines and procedures for identification and disposition of surplus real property, as shown in the Board materials. Mr. Charles Lee, Audubon of Florida, addressed the Governing Board regarding this item.

ON A MOTION BY MR. MEECE, SECONDED BY MR. ALEXANDER, AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, THE GOVERNING BOARD APPROVED ADOPTION OF PROGRAM DIRECTIVE 2011-01 TO CLARIFY GUIDELINES AND PROCEDURES FOR IDENTIFICATION AND DISPOSITION OF SURPLUS REAL PROPERTY.

Agenda Item No. 24 – Program Directive for 2011-02 Notice to Land Governments of Proposed Acquisition Activity. Mr. Flanagan presented the staff recommendation for Governing Board approval for adoption of Program Directive 2011-02 providing guidelines and procedures for effectively notifying affected local governmental entities of proposed acquisitions of land and related activities in accordance with Section 373.139(3) F.S., as shown in the Board materials.

ON A MOTION BY MR. DAVIS, SECONDED BY MR. CURTIS, AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, THE GOVERNING BOARD APPROVED ADOPTION OF PROGRAM DIRECTIVE 2011-02 PROVIDING GUIDELINES AND PROCEDURES FOR EFFECTIVELY NOTIFYING AFFECTED LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES OF PROPOSED ACQUISITIONS OF LAND AND RELATED ACTIVITIES IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 373.139(3) F.S.

Agenda Item No. 25 - Activity Reports. The Land Acquisition, Land Management, and R.O. Ranch Activity Reports were provided as informational items in the Board materials.

LEGAL COUNSEL REPORT

Agenda Item No. 26 - Enforcement Status and Litigation Report. The Enforcement Status and Litigation Report was provided as an informational item in the Board materials.

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EXECUTIVE OFFICE

Agenda Item No. 27 - Executive Director's Report.
None.

Agenda Item No. 28 - Executive Office Activity Report. The Executive Office Activity Report was provided as an informational item in the Board materials.

Agenda Item No. 29 – Governing Board Legal Counsel. A Request for Proposals for Governing Board for Legal Services was provided as an informational item in the Board materials.

The meeting adjourned at 12:39 P.m.

Chairman

ATTEST:

SUWANNEE RIVER WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT
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Bob Moresi, Black & Veatch, Tampa, FL

Bob Heeke, Sr. Land Manager, gave a presentation on the District Land Management Plan, which included highlights of Resource Protection, Public Use, Communications, and Fiscal Responsibility.

Jon Dinges, Department Director, discussed regional water supply coordination efforts, and then gave a presentation on the Sampson Lake Control Structure.

Workshop adjourned at 2:54 p.m.