

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

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3:00 p.m., Tuesday
September 13, 2011

District Headquarters
Live Oak, Florida

Members of the Governing Board Present:

Don Quincey, Jr., Chairman
Alphonas Alexander, Vice Chairman
Donald Ray Curtis, III, Secretary/Treasurer
Kevin W. Brown
George M. Cole, Ph.D.
Carl Meece
Guy N. Williams

Members of the Governing Board Absent:

Heath Davis

Governing Board General Counsel Present:

George T. Reeves, Davis, Schnitker, Reeves & Browning, P.A.

Staff:

David Still	Melanie Roberts
Charlie Houder	Joe Flanagan
Jon Dinges	Steve Minnis
Linda Welch	Vanessa Fultz
Megan Wetherington	Leah Lamontagne
Bob Heeke	Kevin Wright
Carlos Herd	Joel Love
Hugh Thomas	Jon Wood
Tim Sagul	Terry Demott
Glenn Horvath	Vern Roberts

Participating Guests:

Jeff Swan, FL Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, Live Oak
Roy Brown, FL Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, Live Oak

Renate Cannon, Chiefland
Jeffrey Hill, El Rancho No Tengo, Lake City
Craig Varn, Manson Law Group, Tampa
Randy Ware, River Road Realty, Branford
Vic Doig, US Fish & Wildlife Service, Chiefland
Candice Stevenson, US Fish & Wildlife Service, Chiefland
Joe Miller, George & Associates Consulting Engineers, Tallahassee
Robert George, George & Associates Consulting Engineers, Tallahassee
Steve Wingate, City Manager, City of Monticello
Thad Beshears, Simpson Nursery, Monticello
Craig Ganas, Perpetual Contracting, Inc., Cross City
Ward Frisina, Flatwoods Forestry, Inc., Lake City
Lindsey Lander, Trenton
Misty Ward, Suwannee Democrat, Live Oak

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

The roll was called and a quorum noted.

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

Water Supply and Resource Management

Deletion:

- Agenda Item 20 – Denial of General Environmental Resource Permit Application Number 07-0301M, Florida Gateway Resort Improvements, Hamilton County, and Authorization to Initiate Enforcement, CE10-0060
- Agenda Item 23 – Approval of Water Use Permit Application Number 2-00-00040M5, Santa Fe Springs, Columbia County

Agenda Item No. 4 – Approval of Agenda.

ON A MOTION BY MR. CURTIS, SECONDED BY MR. ALEXANDER, AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, THE GOVERNING BOARD APPROVED THE SEPTEMBER 13, 2011, AGENDA.

Agenda Item No. 5 – Consent Agenda.

- Agenda Item 10 - Approval of July Financial Report

- Agenda Item 11 - Authorization to Renew Contract with Johnson Controls, Inc., for Heating, Ventilation, and Air Conditions (HVAC) Repair and Preventative Maintenance
- Agenda Item 12 - Authorization to Renew Contract with Len A. Duncan d/b/a Duncan Tire & Auto for Vehicle Maintenance
- Agenda Item 13 - Authorization to Renew Software License and Maintenance Contracts
- Agenda Item 14 - Procurement of Office Supplies
- Agenda Item 15 - Recommended Insurance Providers
- Agenda Item 16 - Recommended Healthcare Insurance
- Agenda Item 18 - County and City Fee Waiver for Fiscal Year 2011-2012
- Agenda Item 19 - Authorization to Ratify Contract with the Florida Department of Environmental Protection and Administration of Delineated Areas Program
- Agenda Item 27 - Authorization to Extend Contract with Nestlé Waters North America, Contract Number 05/06-102
- Agenda Item 28 - Authorization to Enter into a Contract with the United States Geological Survey (USGS), Georgia District, for Streamgaging Services
- Agenda Item 29 - Authorization to Enter into a Contract with the USGS, Tallahassee District, for Streamgaging Services
- Agenda Item 44 - Contract 04/05-250 with Mayo Correctional Institution Report

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

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

Agenda Item No. 7 – Approval of Minutes.

ON A MOTION BY MR. CURTIS, SECONDED BY MR. ALEXANDER, AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, THE GOVERNING BOARD APPROVED THE AUGUST 9, 2011 GOVERNING BOARD MEETING AND WORKSHOP MINUTES.

Agenda Item No. 8 – Approval and Execution of Resolution 2011-21, Appreciation and Commendation for the Services of James “Jay” L. Fraleigh. Melanie Roberts presented the staff recommendation for Governing Board approval and execution of Resolution 2011-21 for Appreciation and Commendation for the Services of James “Jay” L. Fraleigh, as shown in the Board materials.

ON A MOTION BY MR. MEECE, SECONDED BY MR. ALEXANDER, AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, THE GOVERNING BOARD APPROVED AND EXECUTED RESOLUTION 2011-21 FOR APPRECIATION AND COMMENDATION FOR THE SERVICES OF JAMES "JAY" L. FRALEIGH.

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

- A. Chairman Introductions
- B. Cooperating Agencies and Organizations
 - a. Monticello Reuse: Joe Miller, George & Associates Consulting Engineers, addressed the Governing Board and gave a Power Point presentation.
- C. Megan Wetherington gave a presentation of hydrologic conditions of the District.
- D. Public Comment

DEPARTMENT OF MISSION SUPPORT

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

Agenda Item No. 11 – Authorization to Renew Contract with Johnson Controls, Inc., for Heating, Ventilation, and Air Conditioning (HVAC) Repair and Preventative Maintenance. Approved on consent.

Agenda Item No. 12 – Authorization to Renew Contract with Len A. Duncan d/b/a Duncan Tire & Auto for Vehicle Maintenance. Approved on consent.

Agenda Item No. 13 – Authorization to Renew Software License and Hardware Maintenance Contracts. Approved on consent.

Agenda Item No. 14 – Procurement of Office Supplies from State Approved Vendors. Approved on consent.

Agenda Item No. 15 – Recommended Insurance Providers. Approved on consent.

Agenda Item No. 16 – Recommended Healthcare Insurance. Approved on consent.

Agenda Item No. 17 - 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. 18 – County and City Fee Waiver for Fiscal year 2010-2011.
Approved on consent.

Agenda Item 19 – Authorization to Ratify Contract with the Florida Department of Environmental Protection for Administration of Delineated Areas Program.
Approved on consent.

Agenda Item No. 20 – Denial of General Environmental Resource Permit Application Number 07-0301M, Florida Gateway Resort Improvements, Hamilton County, and Authorization to Initiate Legal Action to Reach Resolution, CE10-0060. Deleted.

Agenda Item No. 21 – Approval of Water Use Permit Application Number 2-04-00092M3, Byrd Dairy, Lafayette County. Mr. Dinges presented the staff recommendation for Governing Board approval of a modification to Water Use Permit application number 2-04-00092M3, with seventeen standard conditions and six special limiting conditions to Byrd Dairy in Lafayette County, as shown in the Board materials.

ON A MOTION BY MR. CURTIS, SECONDED BY MR. ALEXANDER, AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, THE GOVERNING BOARD APPROVED WATER USE PERMIT APPLICATION NUMBER 2-04-00092M3, WITH SEVENTEEN STANDARD CONDITIONS AND SIX SPECIAL LIMITING CONDITIONS TO BYRD DAIRY IN LAFAYETTE COUNTY.

Agenda Item No. 22 – Approval of Water Use Permit Application Number 2-84-01229R, Lafayette Dairy, LLC, Lafayette County. Mr. Dinges presented the staff recommendation for Governing Board approval of a renewal to Water Use Permit application number 2-84-01229R, with seventeen standard conditions and seven special limiting conditions to Lafayette Dairy, LLC, in Lafayette County, as shown in the Board materials.

Mr. Brown stated a possible conflict of interest and abstained from voting on Agenda Item 22 – recommendation for approval of a renewal to Water Use Permit application number 2-84-01229R, with seventeen standard conditions and seven special limiting conditions to Lafayette Dairy, LLC, in Lafayette County, as shown in the Board materials, and he signed a conflict of interest form. This form is hereby made a part of these minutes and filed in the permanent files of the District.

ON A MOTION BY MR. CURTIS, SECONDED BY MR. ALEXANDER, AND WITH MR. BROWN ABSTAINING, THE GOVERNING BOARD APPROVED RENEWAL OF WATER USE PERMIT APPLICATION NUMBER 2-84-01229R, WITH SEVENTEEN STANDARD CONDITIONS AND SEVEN SPECIAL LIMITING CONDITIONS TO LAFAYETTE DAIRY, LLC, IN LAFAYETTE COUNTY.

Agenda Item No. 23 – Approval of Water Use Permit Application Number 2-00-00040M5, Santa Fe Springs, Columbia County. Deleted.

Agenda Item No. 24 – Authorization to Initiate Enforcement Proceedings, Larry R. Sigers, Final Order 11-0001, CE08-0072, Columbia County. Mr. Dinges presented the staff recommendation for Governing Board authorization to initiate proceedings against Larry R. Sigers, in Columbia County, to enforce Final Order 11-0001, as shown in the Board materials.

ON A MOTION BY MR. MEECE, SECONDED BY MR. CURTIS, AND WITH MR. WILLIAMS VOTING AGAINST, THE GOVERNING BOARD AUTHORIZED INITIATION OF PROCEEDINGS AGAINST LARRY R. SIGERS, IN COLUMBIA COUNTY, TO ENFORCE FINAL ORDER 11-0001.

Agenda Item No. 25 – Authorization to Initiate Enforcement Proceedings, Richard Oldham, CE10-0024, Bradford County. Mr. Dinges presented the staff recommendation for Governing Board authorization to initiate enforcement proceedings against Richard Oldham in Bradford County for unpermitted construction of a pond and deposition of spoil in a flood hazard area, as shown in the Board materials.

ON A MOTION BY MR. ALEXANDER, SECONDED BY MR. CURTIS, AND WITH MR. WILLIAMS VOTING AGAINST, THE GOVERNING BOARD AUTHORIZED INITIATION OF ENFORCEMENT PROCEEDINGS AGAINST RICHARD OLDHAM IN BRADFORD COUNTY FOR UNPERMITTED CONSTRUCTION OF A POND AND DEPOSITION OF SPOIL IN A FLOOD HAZARD AREA.

Agenda Item No. 26 – Authorization to Initiate Enforcement Proceedings, Rodney O. Tompkins Trustee, Rodney Tompkins, CE11-0001, Gilchrist County. Mr. Dinges presented the staff recommendation for Governing Board approval to order Rodney O. Tompkins Trustee, Rodney Tompkins in Gilchrist County to cease all water use until respondent obtains a water use permit from the District, as shown in the Board materials.

ON A MOTION BY DR. COLE, SECONDED BY MR. ALEXANDER, AND WITH MR. WILLIAMS VOTING AGAINST, THE GOVERNING BOARD APPROVED TO ORDER RODNEY O. TOMPKINS TRUSTEE, RODNEY TOMPKINS, IN GILCHRIST COUNTY, TO CEASE ALL WATER USE UNTIL RESPONDENT OBTAINS A WATER USE PERMIT FROM THE DISTRICT.

Agenda Item No. 27 – Authorization for Extension of Contractual Services with Nestlé Water North America, Contract Number 05/06-102. Approved on consent.

Agenda Item No. 28 – Authorization to Enter into a Contract with the United States Geological Survey (USGS), Georgia District, for Streamgaging Services. Approved on consent.

Agenda Item No. 29 – Authorization to Enter into a Contract with the USGS, Tallahassee District, for Streamgaging Services. Approved on consent.

Agenda Item No. 30 – Authorization to Amend Contract with Vieux & Associates, Inc., to Purchase Gage Radar-Rainfall Data, Contract 07/08-007. Mr. Dinges presented the staff recommendation for Governing Board authorization for the Executive Director to amend contract with Vieux & Associates, Inc., to purchase gage radar-rainfall data for Fiscal Year 2012 for an amount not to exceed \$26,500, as shown in the Board materials.

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

Agenda Item No. 31 – Authorization to Renew Contract with Water & Air Research, Inc., for Surfacewater Quality, Biological Sampling, and Laboratory Analysis. Mr. Dinges presented the staff recommendation for Governing Board authorization for the Executive Director to renew the contract with Water & Air Research, Inc., for an amount not to exceed \$283,000, as shown in the Board materials.

ON A MOTION BY MR. CURTIS, SECONDED BY MR. ALEXANDER, AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, THE GOVERNING BOARD AUTHORIZED THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO RENEW THE CONTRACT WITH WATER & AIR RESEARCH, INC., FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$283,000.

Agenda Item No. 32 – Authorization to Enter into an Agreement with the United States Department of Agriculture Natural Resource Conservation Services (NRCS) for Conservation Technical Assistance. Mr. Dinges presented the staff recommendation for Governing Board authorization for the Executive Director to enter into an agreement with the NRCS to provide assistance to poultry producers to update their Comprehensive Nutrient Management Plans (CNMPs) in the Middle Suwannee area, with the District, through the Suwannee River Partnership (SRP, providing 25 percent of the cost through in-kind services not to exceed \$75,000, and the NRCS providing 75 percent of the cost of work estimated to be \$225,000), as shown in the Board materials.

MR. ALEXANDER MOTIONED AND MR. BROWN SECONDED THE MOTION TO ACCEPT THE RECOMMENDATION AS READ. MR. ALEXANDER AMENDED HIS MOTION TO AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE NRCS TO PROVIDE ASSISTANCE TO POULTRY PRODUCERS TO UPDATE THEIR CNMPs IN THE MIDDLE SUWANNEE AREA, WITH THE DISTRICT, THROUGH THE SRP, PROVIDING 25 PERCENT OF THE COST THROUGH IN-KIND SERVICES NOT TO EXCEED \$75,000, AND THE NRCS PROVIDING 75 PERCENT OF THE COST OF WORK ESTIMATED TO BE \$225,000, WITH AMENDED CONTRACT LANGUAGE REFLECTING THE DISTRICT'S REQUIREMENT TO ADHERE TO THE FLORIDA PUBLIC RECORDS ACT, THE AMENDED MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. CURTIS, AND THE AMENDED MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY BY THE GOVERNING BOARD.

Agenda Item No. 33 – Exemption from the 2011 Enhanced Biennial Review and Compliance Economic Review of All Title 40B Rules. Mr. Dinges presented the staff recommendation for Governing Board certification to the Joint Administrative Procedures Committee exemption from the 2011 enhanced biennial review and compliance economic review of all title 40B rules, pursuant to subsection 120.745(9), 2011 Florida Statutes, as shown in the Board materials.

ON A MOTION BY MR. MEECE, SECONDED BY MR. ALEXANDER, AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, THE GOVERNING BOARD AUTHORIZED CERTIFICATION TO THE JOINT ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES COMMITTEE EXEMPTION FROM THE 2011 ENHANCED BIENNIAL REVIEW AND COMPLIANCE ECONOMIC REVIEW OF ALL TITLE 40B RULES.

Agenda Item No. 34 - Activity Reports. The Water Supply, Water Resource Monitoring, Environmental Resource Permitting, Suwannee River Partnership, and

Compliance and Enforcement Activity Reports were provided as informational items in the Board materials.

DEPARTMENT OF LAND ACQUISITION AND MANAGEMENT

Agenda Item No. 35 – Declaration of Surplus Lands – Greenville Wellfield. Joe Flanagan, Department Director, presented the staff recommendation for the Governing Board to declare the 46-acre Greenville Well Field tract parcel as surplus and no longer needed for conservation purposes and approve the conveyance of this parcel to the Town of Greenville, as shown in the Board materials.

ON A MOTION MADE BY MR. MEECE, SECONDED BY MR. ALEXANDER, AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, THE GOVERNING BOARD DECLARED THE 46-ACRE GREENVILLE WELL FIELD TRACT PARCEL AS SURPLUS AND NO LONGER NEEDED FOR CONSERVATION PURPOSES AND APPROVED THE CONVEYANCE OF THIS PARCEL TO THE TOWN OF GREENVILLE.

Agenda Item No. 36 – Approved Surveyor List for FY 2011/2012. Mr. Flanagan presented the staff recommendation for Governing Board approval of the list of contractors for surveying services on District projects during Fiscal Year 2011-2012, as shown in the Board materials

ON A MOTION MADE BY MR. CURTIS, SECONDED BY DR. COLE, AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, THE GOVERNING BOARD APPROVED THE LIST OF CONTRACTORS FOR SURVEYING SERVICES ON DISTRICT PROJECTS DURING FISCAL YEAR 2011-2012.

Agenda Item No. 37 – Recreation Site Maintenance Services at Goose Pasture/Econfina Boat Ramp and Steinhatchee Falls/Tennille Trailhead Sites. Mr. Flanagan presented the staff recommendation for Governing Board approval of the rankings developed by the Selection Committee and authorization to negotiate and execute a contract with Marvin Edmonds d/b/a M & L Contracting for site maintenance services for an amount not to exceed \$40,000 in Fiscal Year 2012 and, if negotiations are unsuccessful with this firm, staff requests authorization to negotiate and execute a contract with the next ranked firm, as shown in the Board materials

ON A MOTION MADE BY MR. ALEXANDER, SECONDED BY DR. COLE, AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, THE GOVERNING BOARD APPROVED THE RANKINGS DEVELOPED BY THE SELECTION COMMITTEE AND AUTHORIZED

STAFF TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH MARVIN EDMONDS D/B/A M & L CONTRACTING FOR SITE MAINTENANCE SERVICES FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$40,000 IN FISCAL YEAR 2012 AND, IF NEGOTIATIONS ARE UNSUCCESSFUL WITH THIS FIRM, AUTHORIZED STAFF TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH THE NEXT RANKED FIRM.

Agenda Item No. 38 – Recreation Site Maintenance Services at Suwannee Springs and Anderson/Falmouth Springs Sites. Mr. Flanagan presented the staff recommendation for Governing Board approval of the rankings developed by the Selection Committee and requests authorization to negotiate and execute a contract with Suwannee Lawn and Garden, Inc., for site maintenance services for an amount not to exceed \$44,500 and, if negotiations are unsuccessful with this firm, staff requests authorization to negotiate and execute a contract with the next ranked firm, as shown in the Board materials

ON A MOTION MADE BY MR. CURTIS, SECONDED BY MR. ALEXANDER, AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, THE GOVERNING BOARD APPROVED THE RANKINGS DEVELOPED BY THE SELECTION COMMITTEE AND AUTHORIZED STAFF TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH SUWANNEE LAWN AND GARDEN, INC., FOR SITE MAINTENANCE SERVICES FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$44,500 AND, IF NEGOTIATIONS ARE UNSUCCESSFUL WITH THIS FIRM, AUTHORIZED STAFF TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH THE NEXT RANKED FIRM.

Agenda Item No. 39 – Road Construction and Improvements Services. Mr. Flanagan presented the staff recommendation for Governing Board approval of the rankings developed by the Selection Committee and requests authorization to negotiate and execute a contract with Perpetual Contracting, Inc., for road construction and improvement services for an amount not to exceed \$200,000, and, if negotiations are unsuccessful with this firm, staff requests authorization to execute a contract with the next ranked firm, as shown in the Board materials.

ON A MOTION BY MR. CURTIS, SECONDED BY MR. ALEXANDER, AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, THE GOVERNING BOARD APPROVED THE RANKINGS DEVELOPED BY THE SELECTION COMMITTEE AND AUTHORIZED STAFF TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH PERPETUAL CONTRACTING, INC., FOR ROAD CONSTRUCTION AND IMPROVEMENT SERVICES FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$200,000, AND, IF NEGOTIATIONS ARE UNSUCCESSFUL WITH THIS FIRM, AUTHORIZED STAFF TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH THE NEXT RANKED FIRM.

Agenda Item No. 40 – Forestry Consulting Services. Mr. Flanagan presented the staff recommendation for Governing Board approval of the rankings developed by the Selection Committee and requests authorization for staff to negotiate and for the Executive Director to execute contracts with Natural Resource Planning Services, Inc., (NRPS) and Flatwoods Forestry, Inc., for forestry consulting services for FY2012 and, if negotiations are unsuccessful with these firms, staff requests authorization to negotiate and execute a contract with the next ranked firm, as shown in the Board materials.

Mr. Alexander and Mr. Curtis stated a possible conflict of interest and abstained from voting on Agenda Item 40 - recommendation for approval of the rankings developed by the Selection Committee and requests authorization for staff to negotiate and for the Executive Director to execute contracts with Natural Resource Planning Services, Inc., (NRPS) and Flatwoods Forestry, Inc., for forestry consulting services for FY2012 and, if negotiations are unsuccessful with these firms, staff requests authorization to negotiate and execute a contract with the next ranked firm, and both signed a conflict of interest form. These forms are hereby made a part of these minutes and are filed in the permanent files of the District.

ON A MOTION BY DR. COLE, SECONDED BY MR. BROWN, AND WITH MR. ALEXANDER AND MR. CURTIS ABSTAINING, THE GOVERNING BOARD APPROVED THE RANKINGS DEVELOPED BY THE SELECTION COMMITTEE AND AUTHORIZED STAFF TO NEGOTIATE AND THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO EXECUTE CONTRACTS WITH NRPS AND FLATWOODS FORESTRY, INC., FOR FORESTRY CONSULTING SERVICES FOR FY 2012 AND, IF NEGOTIATIONS ARE UNSUCCESSFUL WITH THESE FIRMS, AUTHORIZED STAFF TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH THE NEXT RANKED FIRM.

Agenda Item No. 41 – Agreement 98/99-098 with the Florida Fish & Wildlife Conservation Commission. Mr. Flanagan presented the staff recommendation for Governing Board authorization for the Executive Director to execute an amendment to the agreement with the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) for enhanced law enforcement for Fiscal Year 2012 for an amount not to exceed \$30,000, as shown in the Board materials.

ON A MOTION BY MR. ALEXANDER, SECONDED BY MR. MEECE, AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, THE GOVERNING BOARD AUTHORIZED THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO EXECUTE AN AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT

WITH THE FWC FOR ENHANCED LAW ENFORCEMENT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2012 FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$30,000.

Agenda Item No. 42 – Agreement 00/01-213 with the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service for Services Related to Atsena Otie Key. Mr. Flanagan presented the staff recommendation for Governing Board authorization for the Executive Director to continue the agreement with the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) for a Public Use Specialist and other management services at Atsena Otie Key for an amount not to exceed \$35,000 in FY 2012, as shown in the Board materials.

ON A MOTION BY MR. ALEXANDER, SECONDED BY MR. CURTIS, AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, THE GOVERNING BOARD AUTHORIZED THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO CONTINUE THE AGREEMENT WITH THE USFWS FOR A PUBLIC USE SPECIALIST AND OTHER MANAGEMENT SERVICES AT ATSENA OTIE KEY FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$35,000 IN FY 2012.

Agenda Item No. 43 – Agreements 04/05-080 with Florida Department of Consumer Services/Florida Forest Service for Cooperative Management of District Lands and 05/06-131 for Twin Rivers State Forest Agreement Funding. Mr. Flanagan presented the staff recommendation for Governing Board authorization to continue the Cooperative Management Agreement and Twin Rivers State Forest Funding with Florida Department of Consumer Services/Florida Forest Service (FFS) for Fiscal Year 2012 for an amount not to exceed \$301,000, as shown in the Board materials.

ON A MOTION BY MR. ALEXANDER, SECONDED BY MR. CURTIS, AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, THE GOVERNING BOARD AUTHORIZED CONTINUATION OF THE COOPERATIVE MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT AND TWIN RIVERS STATE FOREST FUNDING WITH FFS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2012 FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$301,000.

Agenda Item No. 44 – Contract 04/05-250 with Mayo Correctional Institution.
Approved on consent.

Agenda Item No. 45 – Contract 07/08-054 for Cooperative for Conserved Forest Ecosystem Outreach and Research Funding. Mr. Flanagan presented the staff recommendation for Governing Board authorization to continue the Cooperative for Conserved Forest Ecosystem Outreach and Research (CFEOR) funding with the University of Florida for Fiscal Year 2012 for an amount not to exceed \$20,000, as shown in the Board materials.

ON A MOTION BY MR. MEECE, SECONDED BY MR. ALEXANDER, AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, THE GOVERNING BOARD AUTHORIZED CONTINUATION OF THE COOPERATIVE FOR CFEOR FUNDING WITH THE UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA FOR FISCAL YEAR 2012 FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$20,000.

Agenda Item No. 46 – Purchase of Rock Aggregate. Mr. Flanagan presented the staff recommendation for Governing Board authorization to purchase rock and fill aggregate on an as needed basis from Department of Transportation (DOT) certified mines near the project sites for a total cost not to exceed \$100,000, as shown in the Board materials.

ON A MOTION BY MR. ALEXANDER, SECONDED BY DR. COLE, AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, THE GOVERNING BOARD AUTHORIZED STAFF TO PURCHASE OF ROCK AND FILL AGGREGATE ON AN AS NEEDED BASIS FROM DOT CERTIFIED MINES NEAR THE PROJECT SITES FOR A TOTAL COST NOT TO EXCEED \$100,000.

Agenda Item No. 47 - Activity Reports. The Real Estate and Land Management Activity Reports were provided as informational items in the Board materials.

GOVERNING BOARD LEGAL COUNSEL

Agenda Item No. 48 – Governing Board Counsel Monthly Report.
None.

EXECUTIVE OFFICE

Agenda Item No. 49 – Authorization for Staff Legal Service Contracts for Fiscal Year 2011/2012. David Still, Executive Director, presented the staff recommendation for Governing Board authorization for the Executive Director to contract for staff legal services with the currently approved firms for Fiscal Year 2011/2012, as shown in the Board materials.

ON A MOTION BY MR. CURTIS, SECONDED BY MR. ALEXANDER, AND WITH MR. WILLIAMS VOTING AGAINST, THE GOVERNING BOARD AUTHORIZED THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO CONTRACT FOR STAFF LEGAL SERVICES WITH THE CURRENTLY APPROVED FIRMS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2011/2012.

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Agenda Item No. 50 - Executive Director's Report.
None.

Agenda Item No. 51 - Executive Office Activity Report. The Executive Office Activity Report was provided as an informational item in the Board materials.

Agenda Item No. 52 – Legal Services Report.
The Legal Services Report was provided as an informational item in the Board materials.

The meeting adjourned at 5:54 p.m.

Chairman

ATTEST:

SUWANNEE RIVER WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT
MINUTES OF
PUBLIC HEARING ON FY 2012 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 2012 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 13, 2011

District Headquarters
Live Oak, Florida

Members of the Governing Board Present:

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Alphonas Alexander, Vice Chairman
Donald Ray Curtis, III, Secretary/Treasurer
Kevin W. Brown
George M. Cole, Ph.D.
Carl Meece
Guy N. Williams

Members of the Governing Board Absent:

Heath Davis

Governing Board General Counsel Present:

George T. Reeves, Davis, Schnitker, Reeves & Browning, P.A.

Staff:

David Still	Melanie Roberts
Charlie Houder	Joe Flanagan
Jon Dinges	Steve Minnis
Linda Welch	Vanessa Fultz
Vern Roberts	Terry Demott

Participating Guests:

Barney and Renate Cannon, Chiefland, FL
Jeff Swan, FL Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, Live Oak
Craig Varn, Manson Law Group, Tampa
Randy Ware, River Road Realty, Branford
Misty Ward, Suwannee Democrat, Live Oak
Jeffrey Hill, El Rancho No Tengo, Lake City
Lindsey Lander, Trenton

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 2012. On September 27, 2011, 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 2012 of 0.4143, a 9.7 Percent Decrease from the Rolled Back Millage Rate of 0.4587. Mr. Quincey discussed the letter dated August 24, 2011, from Governor Rick Scott.

Agenda Item No. 4 - Comments and Questions from the General Public. Jeffrey Hill asked the Governing Board what the Governing Board means by "frugal". Mr. Quincey responded that the Governing Board has spent its monies cautiously and conservatively.

Agenda Item No. 5 - Adoption of Proposed Millage Rate.
ON A MOTION BY MR. CURTIS, SECONDED BY MR. ALEXANDER, AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, THE GOVERNING BOARD AUTHORIZED THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO ADOPT A PROPOSED MILLAGE RATE OF .4143.

Agenda Item No. 6 - Adoption of Tentative Budget (\$47,389,589).
ON A MOTION BY MR. ALEXANDER, SECONDED BY DR. COLE, AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, THE GOVERNING BOARD AUTHORIZED THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO ADOPT A TENTATIVE BUDGET of \$47,389,589 FOR FISCAL YEAR 2011-2012.

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 27, 2011, at 5:30 p.m., at District headquarters.

With no additional business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 5:43 p.m.

Chairman

ATTEST:

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 27, 2011

District Headquarters
Live Oak, Florida

Members of the Governing Board Present:

Don Quincey, Jr., Chairman
Alphonas Alexander, Vice Chairman
Donald Ray Curtis, III, Secretary/Treasurer
Kevin W. Brown
George M. Cole, Ph.D.
Carl Meece
Guy N. Williams
Heath Davis

Members of the Governing Board Absent:

None

Governing Board General Counsel Present:

George T. Reeves, Davis, Schnitker, Reeves & Browning, P.A.

Staff:

David Still	Melanie Roberts
Charlie Houser	Steve Minnis
Jon Dinges	Linda Welch
Bob Heeke	Vern Roberts
Terry Demott	Jon Wood
Glenn Horvath	Brian Kauffman
Pennie Flickinger	

Participating Guests:

Barney and Renate Cannon, Chiefland
Jerry Scarborough, Live Oak
Travis Birdsong
Louis Shiver, R. O. Ranch, Inc., Mayo
Annette Land, R. O. Ranch, Inc., Hatchbend

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Red Schulte, R. O. Ranch, Inc., Cooks Hammock
Alan Frierson, R. O. Ranch, Inc., Branford
Colleen Agner, R. O. Ranch, Inc., Greenville

Charlie Houser gave a brief overview of the history of R. O. Ranch. Jerry Scarborough then gave a brief overview of the history of his tenure at the Suwannee River Water Management District and what led to the acquisition of the R. O. Ranch property. Discussion ensued between the Governing Board, the R. O. Ranch Board of Directors and their spokespeople, and staff. Mr. Quincey requested Tom Reeves review the acquisition documents to determine what was approved and how the endowment funds can be spent, and upon his findings, he should first consult with the R. O. Ranch Board of Directors. Additionally, Mr. Quincey requested that the R. O. Ranch Board of Directors determine three recommendations that they would like the Governing Board to consider at the November 2011 meeting. Mr. Meece specifically requested that staff and Mr. Reeves determine how to remove the endowment funds from the District's budget. Mr. Quincey asked Mr. Reeves to attend the next R. O. Ranch Board of Directors meeting on October 7, 2011.

David Still discussed staffing issues with the Governing Board, including current staff benefits.

Terry Demott and Mr. Meece discussed an agenda item for the October 11, 2011 Governing Board meeting concerning Otter Springs.

Workshop adjourned at 5:43 p.m.

SUWANNEE RIVER WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT
MINUTES OF
FINAL PUBLIC HEARING ON FY 2012 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 2012 Budget is a part of the record as if set out in full herein, but is filed in the permanent files of the District.

5:30 p.m., Tuesday
September 27, 2011

District Headquarters
Live Oak, Florida

Members of the Governing Board Present:

Don Quincey, Jr., Chairman
Alphonas Alexander, Vice Chairman
Donald Ray Curtis, III, Secretary/Treasurer
Kevin W. Brown
George M. Cole, Ph.D.
Carl Meece
Guy N. Williams
Heath Davis

Members of the Governing Board Absent:

None

Governing Board General Counsel Present:

George T. Reeves, Davis, Schnitker, Reeves & Browning, P.A.

Staff:

David Still	Melanie Roberts
Charlie Houder	Steve Minnis
Jon Dinges	Linda Welch
Vanessa Fultz	Vern Roberts
Terry Demott	

Participating Guests:

Barney and Renate Cannon, Chiefland
George K. Reynolds, Branford

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, Department Director, 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 2011-27 adopting a final millage rate (0.4143).

ON A MOTION BY MR. CURTIS, SECONDED BY MR. ALEXANDER, AND WITH MR. ALEXANDER, MR. BROWN, DR. COLE, MR. CURTIS, MR. MEECE, AND MR. WILLIAMS VOTING IN FAVOR, AND MR. DAVIS VOTING AGAINST, THE GOVERNING BOARD VOTED TO APPROVE AND EXECUTE RESOLUTION 2011-27 ADOPTING A FINAL MILLAGE RATE OF .4143.

Agenda Item No. 5 - Adoption of Resolution 2011-28 adopting a final budget (\$47,389,589).

ON A MOTION BY MR. ALEXANDER, SECONDED BY DR. COLE, AND WITH MR. ALEXANDER, MR. BROWN, DR. COLE, MR. CURTIS, MR. MEECE, AND MR. WILLIAMS VOTING IN FAVOR, AND MR. DAVIS VOTING AGAINST, THE GOVERNING BOARD VOTED TO APPROVE AND EXECUTE RESOLUTION 2011-28 ADOPTING THE 2012 FINAL BUDGET (\$47,389,589).

Agenda Item No. 6 - Announcements. The next regularly scheduled Governing Board meeting will be held on October 11, 2011 at 9:00 a.m. at District Headquarters.

With no additional business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 5:41 p.m.

Chairman

ATTEST:
