

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

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9:00 a.m., Tuesday  
December 11, 2012

District Headquarters  
Live Oak, Florida

Governing Board:

<b>Seat</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Office</b>	<b>Present</b>	<b>Not Present</b>
Aucilla Basin	George M. Cole, Ph.D.		X	
Coastal River Basin	Donald Ray Curtis, III	Secretary/ Treasurer	X	
Lower Suwannee River Basin	Don Quincey, Jr.	Chairman	X	
Santa Fe & Waccasassa Basins	Kevin W. Brown		X	
Upper Suwannee River Basin	Alphonas Alexander	Vice Chairman	X	
At Large	Virginia H. Johns		X	
At Large	Carl Meece		X	
At Large	Guy N. Williams		X	
At Large	Gary Jones		X	

Governing Board General Counsel

<b>Name</b>	<b>Firm</b>	<b>Present</b>	<b>Not Present</b>
George T. Reeves	Davis, Schnitker, Reeves & Browning, P.A.	X	

Staff:

<b>Position</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Present</b>	<b>Not Present</b>
Executive Director	Ann Shortelle	X	
Assistant Executive Director	Jon Dinges	X	
Governmental Affairs and Communications Director	Steve Minnis		X
Administrative Services Division Director	Joe Flanagan	X	
Land Resources Division Director	Charlie Houder	X	
Water Supply Division Director	Carlos Herd	X	
Water Resources Division Director	Erich Marzolf	X	
Resource Management Division Director	Tim Sagul	X	
GB & HR Coordinator	Lisa Cheshire	X	

Guests:

Kevin Wright, SRWMD  
Bob Heeke, SRWMD  
Rhonda Scott, SRWMD  
Paul Still, Bradford Soil & Water, Starke  
Roland Garcia, Tallahassee  
Steven Gladden, Trenton  
Barney & Renate Cannon, Chiefland  
James Cornett, Cornett's Spirit of the Suwannee, Live Oak  
Charles Shinn, Florida Farm Bureau Federation, Gainesville  
Annette Long, Save Our Suwannee, Inc., Chiefland  
Merrilee Malwitz-Jipson, Our Santa Fe River, Inc., Ft. White  
Jordan Gaylord, Branford FFA, Branford  
Taylor Randell, Branford FFA, Branford  
Scott McNulty, Cedar Key

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

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

Additions:

- **Land Resources Division** – Ellaville/Damascus Peanut Company Exchange
- **Water Resources Division** - Authorization to Amend Contract with Water & Air Research, Inc. for Surfacewater Quality, Biological Sampling, and Laboratory Analysis, Contract Number 10/11-003

Update:

- **Executive Office** - Agenda Item 21 - Approval of Fiscal Year 2013-2014 Preliminary Budget

Agenda Item No. 4 – Approval of Agenda.

DR. COLE MADE A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE UPDATED AGENDA AS READ. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MS. JOHNS. UPON VOTE OF THE GOVERNING BOARD, THE MOTION CARRIED. (MEMBERS VOTING IN FAVOR: ALEXANDER, BROWN, COLE, CURTIS, JOHNS, JONES, MEECE, WILLIAMS AND QUINCEY.)

Agenda Item No. 5 – Consent Agenda.

- Agenda Item 7 – Approval of Minutes
- Agenda Item 9 - Approval of October 2012 Financial Report

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

MR. ALEXANDER MADE A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE CONSENT AGENDA AS READ. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY DR. COLE. UPON VOTE OF THE GOVERNING BOARD, THE MOTION CARRIED. (MEMBERS VOTING IN FAVOR: ALEXANDER, BROWN, COLE, CURTIS, JOHNS, JONES, MEECE, WILLIAMS AND QUINCEY.)

Agenda Item No. 7– November 15, 2012 Governing Board Meeting and November 16, 2012 Workshop Minutes. Approved on consent.

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

- Dr. Ann Shortelle, Executive Director, recognized Robin Lamm, Executive Office Business Resource Specialist, for ten years of service with the District.
- A presentation of the Hydrologic Conditions was given by Megan Wetherington, Senior Professional Engineer.
- Taylor Randell and Jordan Gaylord of the Branford FFA Chapter gave an update on projects in the Branford Bend and thanked the Governing Board for their support.
- Merrillee Malwitz-Jipso, Our Santa Fe River, Inc., spoke in opposition to injecting wastewater into the Floridian Aquifer.
- Paul Still, Bradford Soil & Water, discussed his concerns with the Akins recharge project.
- Charles Shinn, Florida Farm Bureau Federation, discussed the Ellaville/Damascus Peanut Company Tract Exchange.
- Annette Long, Save Our Suwannee, Inc., requested additional information on Resource Management's Agenda Item Number 26.

**DIVISION OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES**

Agenda Item No. 9 – Approval of October 2012 Financial Report. Approved on consent.

**DIVISION OF LAND RESOURCES**

Agenda Item No. 10 – Approval of Resolution 2012-72 Authorizing Sale of the Bay Creek North Surplus Parcel in Columbia County. Charles Houder, Division Director, presented the staff recommendation for approval and execution of Resolution 2012-72 authorizing the sale of the Bay Creek North surplus parcel in Columbia County to Craig and Teresa Hanger, as shown in the Board materials.

MR. MEECE MADE A MOTION FOR APPROVAL AND EXECUTION OF RESOLUTION 2012-72 AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF THE BAY CREEK NORTH SURPLUS PARCEL IN COLUMBIA COUNTY TO CRAIG AND TERESA HANGER. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY DR. COLE. UPON UNANIMOUS VOTE OF THE GOVERNING BOARD, THE MOTION CARRIED. (MEMBERS VOTING IN FAVOR: ALEXANDER, BROWN, COLE, CURTIS, JOHNS, MEECE, WILLIAMS AND QUINCEY.)

Emergency Agenda Item– Authorization for the Executive Director to amend the exchange agreement to extend the closing date, and if necessary, to accept a superior offer from a potential third party at a price determined by the Governing Board. Mr. Houder presented the staff recommendation to authorize the Executive Director to amend the exchange agreement to extend the closing date, and if necessary, to accept a superior offer from a potential third party at a price determined by the Governing Board.

MR. MEECE MADE A MOTION TO AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO AMEND THE EXCHANGE AGREEMENT TO EXTEND THE CLOSING DATE, AND IF NECESSARY, TO ACCEPT A SUPERIOR OFFER FROM A POTENTIAL THIRD PARTY AT A PRICE DETERMINED BY THE GOVERNING BOARD. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY DR. MR. JONES.

Discussion occurred.

MR. MEECE WITHDREW HIS MOTION.

The Governing Board instructed staff to set an emergency Governing Board meeting to be held at 1:00 p.m. on Friday, December 14, 2012, prior to the scheduled closing, for discussion and possible action upon the Ellaville/Damascus Peanut land exchange.

Agenda Item No. 11– Land Resources Activity Summary - The Land Resources Activity Summary was provided as an informational item in the Board materials.

#### **DIVISION OF WATER SUPPLY**

Agenda Item No. 12 – North Florida Regional Water Supply Partnership Facilitation Cost- share Agreement with St. Johns River Water Management District. Carlos Herd, Water Supply Division Director, presented the staff recommendation to authorize the Executive Director to execute a cost-share agreement with the St. Johns River Water Management District (SJRWMD) for the North Florida Regional Water Supply Partnership facilitation services for an amount not to exceed \$51,342, as shown in the Board materials.

MR. MEECE MADE A MOTION TO AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO EXECUTE A COST-SHARE AGREEMENT WITH THE ST. JOHNS RIVER WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT (SJRWMD) FOR THE NORTH FLORIDA REGIONAL WATER SUPPLY PARTNERSHIP FACILITATION SERVICES FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$51,342. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. ALEXANDER. UPON VOTE OF THE GOVERNING BOARD, THE MOTION CARRIED. (MEMBERS VOTING IN FAVOR: ALEXANDER, BROWN, COLE, CURTIS, JOHNS, JONES, MEECE, WILLIAMS AND QUINCEY.)

#### **DIVISION OF WATER RESOURCES**

Agenda Item No. 13 – Contract with the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) for LiDAR Data and Quality Control Services. Erich Marzolf, Ph.D., Water Resources Division Director, presented the staff recommendation to authorize the Executive Director to enter into a contract with the USGS to provide light detection and ranging (LiDAR) data over 373 square miles in portions of Suwannee, Gilchrist, Madison, and Columbia counties for a total not-to-exceed cost of \$131,700. Funding consists of \$31,700 from the USGS and \$100,000 from the District, as shown in the Board materials.

DR. COLE MADE A MOTION TO AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH THE USGS TO PROVIDE LIGHT DETECTION AND RANGING (LIDAR) DATA

OVER 373 SQUARE MILES IN PORTIONS OF SUWANNEE, GILCHRIST, MADISON, AND COLUMBIA COUNTIES FOR A TOTAL NOT-TO-EXCEED COST OF \$131,700. FUNDING CONSISTS OF \$31,700 FROM THE USGS AND \$100,000 FROM THE DISTRICT. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. ALEXANDER. UPON VOTE OF THE GOVERNING BOARD, THE MOTION CARRIED. (MEMBERS VOTING IN FAVOR: ALEXANDER, BROWN, COLE, CURTIS, JOHNS, JONES, MEECE, WILLIAMS AND QUINCEY.)

Emergency Agenda Item– Authorization to Amend Contract with Water & Air Research, Inc. for Surfacewater Quality, Biological Sampling, and Laboratory Analysis, Contract Number 10/11-003.

Mr. Marzolf presented the staff recommendation to authorize the Executive Director to increase the existing contract with Water & Air Research, Inc., (#10/11-003) for \$275,800 for surfacewater quality and biological sampling and laboratory analysis.

MR. CURTIS MADE A MOTION TO AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO INCREASE THE EXISTING CONTRACT WITH WATER & AIR RESEARCH, INC., (#10/11-003) FOR \$275,800 FOR SURFACEWATER QUALITY AND BIOLOGICAL SAMPLING AND LABORATORY ANALYSIS. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY DR. COLE. UPON VOTE OF THE GOVERNING BOARD, THE MOTION CARRIED. (MEMBERS VOTING IN FAVOR: ALEXANDER, BROWN, COLE, CURTIS, JOHNS, JONES, MEECE, WILLIAMS AND QUINCEY.)

**DIVISION OF RESOURCE MANAGEMENT**

Agenda Item No 14-- Approval of Water Use Permit Application Number 2-84-00186.003, Jackson Lord, Suwannee County. Kevin Wright, Agriculture Team Program Leader, presented the staff recommendation for approval of Water Use Permit number 2-84-00186.003, with eighteen standard conditions and three special limiting conditions to Sidney & Jackson Lord, in Suwannee County, as shown in the Board materials.

Dr. Cole discussed the striking of the last sentence in the special limiting conditions number 21 on RM Page 10 which reads *"This condition applies to the proposed well only."*

Steve Gladden thanked Dr. Cole for the modification and discussed his concerns with permitting decisions being based on old data provided by IFAS.

DR. COLE MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE WATER USE PERMIT NUMBER 2-84-00186.003, WITH EIGHTEEN STANDARD CONDITIONS AND THREE SPECIAL LIMITING CONDITIONS TO SIDNEY & JACKSON LORD, IN SUWANNEE COUNTY, WITH THE STRIKING OF THE LAST SENTENCE IN THE SPECIAL LIMITING CONDITIONS NUMBER 21 ON RM PAGE NUMBER 10 WHICH READS *"THIS CONDITION APPLIES TO THE PROPOSED WELL ONLY."*, MR. CURTIS SECONDED THE MOTION. UPON VOTE OF THE GOVERNING BOARD, THE MOTION CARRIED. (MEMBERS VOTING IN FAVOR: ALEXANDER, BROWN, COLE, CURTIS, JOHNS, JONES, MEECE, WILLIAMS AND QUINCEY.)

Agenda Item No 15-- Approval of Water Use Permit Application Number 2-12-00069.001, Holly Hill, Dixie County. Mr. Wright presented the staff recommendation for approval of Water Use Permit number 2-12-00069.001, with eighteen standard conditions and five special limiting conditions to

SanBrook, LLC, in Dixie County, as provided in the updated board materials that provide a modification to the special limiting conditions to provide new language stating that they may not cultivate the wetlands without further environmental permitting.

MRS. JOHNS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE WATER USE PERMIT NUMBER 2-12-00069.001, WITH EIGHTEEN STANDARD CONDITIONS AND THE UPDATED FIVE SPECIAL LIMITING CONDITIONS TO SANBROOK, LLC, IN DIXIE COUNTY, MR. JONES SECONDED THE MOTION. UPON VOTE OF THE GOVERNING BOARD, THE MOTION CARRIED. (MEMBERS VOTING IN FAVOR: ALEXANDER, BROWN, COLE, CURTIS, JOHNS, JONES, MEECE, WILLIAMS AND QUINCEY.)

Agenda Item No 16-- Approval to Enter Into Contracts for the 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Department of Environmental Protection Agriculture Cost Share Program. Mr. Wright presented the staff recommendation to authorize the Executive Director to enter into contracts for the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter Department of Environmental Protection BMAP Agricultural Cost-Share Program with 27 applicants, as shown in the Board materials.

DR. COLE MADE A MOTION TO AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACTS FOR THE 1<sup>ST</sup> QUARTER DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION BMAP AGRICULTURAL COST-SHARE PROGRAM WITH 27 APPLICANTS. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. ALEXANDER. UPON VOTE OF THE GOVERNING BOARD, THE MOTION CARRIED. (MEMBERS VOTING IN FAVOR: ALEXANDER, BROWN, COLE, CURTIS, JOHNS, JONES, MEECE, WILLIAMS AND QUINCEY.)

Agenda Item No 17-- Approval to Enter Into Contracts for the 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter District Agricultural Cost Share Program. Mr. Wright presented the staff recommendation to authorize the Executive Director to enter into contracts for the 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter District Agricultural Cost-Share Program with 32 applicants, as shown in the Board materials.

MR. ALEXANDER MADE A MOTION TO AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACTS FOR THE 1<sup>ST</sup> QUARTER DISTRICT AGRICULTURAL COST-SHARE PROGRAM WITH 32 APPLICANTS. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MRS. JOHNS. UPON VOTE OF THE GOVERNING BOARD, THE MOTION CARRIED. (MEMBERS VOTING IN FAVOR: ALEXANDER, BROWN, COLE, CURTIS, JOHNS, JONES, MEECE, WILLIAMS AND QUINCEY.)

Agenda Item No 18 -- Authorization to Seek Enforcement of Consent Agreement and Final Order 12-0007 and Approval of a Legal Service Work Order Increase Regarding Scott McNulty, CE10-0045, Levy County. Tim Sagul, Division Director, presented the staff recommendation for the Governing Board to authorize Counsel to seek enforcement of the signed Consent Agreement and Final Order 12-0007 and; approve an additional \$5,000 for legal expenditures regarding Scott McNulty, CE10-0045, Levy County, as shown in the Board materials.

MR. CURTIS MADE A MOTION TO AUTHORIZE COUNSEL TO SEEK ENFORCEMENT OF THE SIGNED CONSENT AGREEMENT AND FINAL ORDER 12-0007 AND; APPROVE AN ADDITIONAL \$5,000 FOR LEGAL EXPENDITURES REGARDING SCOTT MCNULTY, CE10-0045, LEVY COUNTY. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. MEECE.

Scott McNulty gave explanation for the events that took place that brought him to the signing of the consent agreement.

Discussion and questions by the Governing Board occurred. After discussion the Governing Board instructed staff to bring the item back for consideration in February 2013.

MR. CURTIS TABLED HIS ORIGINAL MOTION, MRS. JOHNS SECONDED. UPON VOTE OF THE GOVERNING BOARD, THE MOTION WAS TABLED UNTIL FEBRUARY 2013. (MEMBERS VOTING IN FAVOR: ALEXANDER, BROWN, COLE, CURTIS, JOHNS, MEECE, WILLIAMS AND QUINCEY.)

Agenda Item No. 19 – Permitting Summary Report. The Permitting Summary Report was provided as an informational item in the Board materials.

#### **GOVERNING BOARD LEGAL COUNSEL**

Agenda Item No. 20 – Governing Board Counsel Monthly Report. The Governing Board Counsel Monthly Report was provided as an informational item in the Board materials.

#### **EXECUTIVE OFFICE**

Agenda Item No. 21 -- Approval of Fiscal Year 2013-2014 Preliminary Budget (updated). Jon Dinges, Assistant Executive Director presented the staff recommendation for approval of the Fiscal Year 2013-2014 preliminary budget of \$14,900,866, as shown in the updated board materials.

Agenda Item No.22- District's Weekly Activity Reports. The District's Weekly Activity Reports were provided as an informational item in the Board materials.

Mr. Reeves suggested that the Governing Board consider the continuance of the December 11, 2012 Governing Board meeting on Friday, December 14, 2012 at 1:00 p.m., prior to the scheduled closing, for discussion and possible action upon the Ellaville/Damascus Peanut land exchange.

MR. CURTIS MADE A MOTION FOR CONTINUANCE OF THE DECEMBER 11, 2012 GOVERNING BOARD MEETING ON DECEMBER 14, 2012 AT 1:00 P.M. MRS. JOHNS SECONDED THE MOTION. UPON VOTE OF THE GOVERNING BOARD, THE MOTION CARRIED. (MEMBERS VOTING IN FAVOR: ALEXANDER, BROWN, COLE, CURTIS, JOHNS, JONES, MEECE, WILLIAMS AND QUINCEY.)

The December 11, 2012 Governing Board Meeting was reconvened on December 14, 2012 at 1:00 p.m.

Governing Board Present:

<b>Seat</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Office</b>	<b>Present</b>	<b>Not Present</b>
Aucilla Basin	George M. Cole, Ph.D.		**X	

Coastal River Basin	Donald Ray Curtis, III	Secretary/ Treasurer	**X	
Lower Suwannee River Basin	Don Quincey, Jr.	Chairman	**X	
Santa Fe & Waccasassa Basins	Kevin W. Brown		**X	
Upper Suwannee River Basin	Alphonas Alexander	Vice Chairman		X
At Large	Virginia H. Johns		X	
At Large	Carl Meece		**X	
At Large	Guy N. Williams		**X	
At Large	Gary Jones		**X	

**\*\*Present by Telephone Conferencing.**

Governing Board General Counsel

<b>Name</b>	<b>Firm</b>	<b>Present</b>	<b>Not Present</b>
George T. Reeves	Davis, Schnitker, Reeves & Browning, P.A.	X	

Staff:

<b>Position</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Present</b>	<b>Not Present</b>
Executive Director	Ann Shortelle	X	
Assistant Executive Director	Jon Dinges	X	
Governmental Affairs and Communications Director	Steve Minnis	X	
Administrative Services Division Director	Joe Flanagan		X
Land Resources Division Director	Charles H. Houder. III	X	
Water Supply Division Director	Carlos Herd		X
Water Resources Division Director	Erich Marzolf		X
Resource Management Division Director	Tim Sagul		X
GB & HR Coordinator	Lisa Cheshire	X	

Guests:  
 None

**DIVISION OF LAND RESOURCES**

Agenda Item No. 3– Discussion and Possible Action Upon the Ellaville/Damascus Peanut Land Exchange.

Chairman Quincey discussed the request made by Damascus Peanut Company to extend the contract closing date on the Ellaville/Damascus Peanut Land Exchange to January 23, 2013.

MR. CURTIS MADE A MOTION TO MODIFY THE CONTRACT WITH RICH PROPERTY AND INVESTMENT GROUP, INC. TO EXTEND THE CLOSING DATE TO JANUARY 23, 2013 AND TO AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO EXECUTE THE AMENDED AGREEMENT. DR. COLE SECONDED THE MOTION. (MEMBERS VOTING IN FAVOR: ALEXANDER, BROWN, COLE, CURTIS, JOHNS, JONES, MEECE, WILLIAMS AND QUINCEY.)

General Counsel, George Reeves, recommended that staff set and notice a Governing Board teleconference meeting for January 23, 2013 at 1:00 p.m. to allow for discussion and possible action on any issues that may arise.

Discussion occurred.

Meeting adjourned at 1:20 p.m.

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Chairman

ATTEST:

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At Large	Virginia H. Johns		X	
At Large	Carl Meece		X	
At Large	Guy N. Williams		X	
At Large	Gary Jones		X	

Governing Board General Counsel

<b>Name</b>	<b>Firm</b>	<b>Present</b>	<b>Not Present</b>
George T. Reeves	Davis, Schnitker, Reeves & Browning, P.A.	X	

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Land Resources Division Director	Charlie Houder	X	
Water Supply Division Director	Carlos Herd	X	

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Guests:

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Steven Gladden, Trenton  
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Annette Long, Save Our Suwannee, Inc., Chiefland  
Merrilee Malwitz-Jipson, Our Santa Fe River, Inc., Ft. White  
Fatih Goran, Jones Edmunds, Gainesville

Carlos Herd, Water Supply Division Director, gave an update on the North Florida Aquifer Recharge concepts projects and discussed staff's evaluation and response to St. Johns River Water Management District's request for an interdistrict surfacewater diversion of between the Upper Santa Fe River and Etonia Creek basins.

At the request of Dr. Cole, Charlie Houser, Land Resources Division Director, reported on the status of the proposed exchange with Aucilla Land Partners, LLC. As per DEP guidelines, the proposal was forwarded to the Division of State Lands for review prior to any consideration by the Governing Board. Mr. Houser reported that DEP staff has requested that the District solicit comments from several specific environmental organizations and submit their responses to DEP for consideration as part of its review. After discussion by Board members, Mr. Houser stated that staff will continue to work with DEP staff on this issue.

Jon Wood, Network and systems Manager, gave a brief I-Pad refresher and training presentation.

The workshop adjourned at 2:16 p.m.