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

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9:00 a.m., Tuesday
January 14, 2014

District Headquarters
Live Oak, Florida

Governing Board:

Seat	Name	Office	Present	Not Present
Aucilla Basin	George M. Cole, Ph.D.		X	
Coastal River Basin	Donald Ray Curtis, III	Sec./Treas.	X	
Lower Suwannee Basin	Don Quincey, Jr.	Chair	X	
Santa Fe & Wacc. Basins	Kevin W. Brown		X	
Upper Suwannee Basin	Alphonas Alexander	Vice Chair	X	
At Large	Virginia H. Johns		X	
At Large	Virginia Sanchez		X	
At Large	Guy N. Williams		X	
At Large	Gary Jones		X	

Governing Board General Counsel

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

Staff:

Position	Name	Present	Not Present
Executive Director	Ann B. Shortelle, Ph.D.	X	
Assistant Executive Director	Jon Dinges	X	
Gov. Affairs / Communications Director	Steve Minnis		X
Administrative Services Bureau Director	Dave Dickens		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 Mgmt. Division Director	Tim Sagul	X	
GB & HR Coordinator	Lisa Cheshire	X	

Guests:

Robin Lamm, SRWMD
Rhonda Scott, SRWMD
Vanessa Fultz, SRWMD
Dale Jenkins, SRWMD
Bob Heeke, SRWMD
Kevin Wright, SRWMD
Bill McKinstry, SRWMD
Jon Wood, SRWMD
Hugh Thomas, DACS
Paul Still, BSWCD
Jeff Hill, Lake City
Corey Mikell, H2O Labs
Carolee Howe, Shenandoah Dairy
Craig Varn, Manson Bolves
Charlene Stroehlen, AMEC
Merrilee Malwitz-Jipson, Our Santa Fe River, Inc.
James Cornett, Spirit of the Suwannee Park
Chris Wynn, FFWCC
Luke Polk, Florida Farm Bureau
Greg Harden, Florida Farm Bureau
Greg Corning, AMEC
Georgia Shemitz, Gilchrist County

Steve Gladin, Trenton
Tim Alcorn, J. Sherman Frier
Dr. W. David Shoup, Florida Gateway College

The meeting was called to order at 9:05 a.m.

Agenda Item No. 3 - Announcement of any Amendments to the Agenda by the Chair.

Updates:

- Water Supply – Agenda Item 15 - Authorization to Execute an Agreement for Surveying Services on the Middle Suwannee River and Springs Restoration and Aquifer Recharge Project

Deletion:

- None

MR. CURTIS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA. 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, SANCHEZ, WILLIAMS AND QUINCEY.)

Agenda Item No. 5 - Consideration of the Following Items Collectively by Consent:

- Agenda Item 6 - December 10, 2013 Governing Board Meeting and Workshop Minutes
- Agenda Item 9 - Approval of November 2013 Financial Report

DR. COLE MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE CONSENT ITEMS COLLECTIVELY. 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, SANCHEZ, WILLIAMS AND QUINCEY.)

Agenda Item No. 4 – Public Comment.

- Carolee Howe, Shenandoah Dairy - Agriculture
- Paul Still, BSWCD – Minimum Flows and Levels
- Merrilee Malwitz-Jipson, Our Santa Fe River – Moratorium on Consumptive Use Permits until science can prove otherwise, possible change to monthly Board meeting dates, Gas Transmission pipeline

Agenda Item No. 6 – Approval of Minutes.

- December 10, 2013 Governing Board Meeting
- December 10, 2013 Governing Board Workshop

THE DECEMBER 10, 2013 GOVERNING BOARD MEETING AND WORKSHOP MINUTES WERE APPROVED WITH THE CONSENT ITEMS.

Agenda Item No. 7 - Items of General Interest for Information/Cooperating Agencies and Organizations

- Erich Marzolf, Director, Division of Water Resources, gave a presentation of hydrologic conditions of the District.
- Cooperating Agencies and Organizations - None

Governing Board Legal Counsel

Agenda Item No. 8 - El Rancho No Tengo, Inc. Informational Update. Tom Reeves, Board Counsel, presented an update regarding El Rancho No Tengo, Inc.

BUREAU OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

Agenda Item No. 9 – Approval of November 2013 Financial Report. Approved on Consent.

Agenda Item No. 10 – Authorization to Enter into a Negotiated Contract with AMEC Environment & Infrastructure, Inc., for Engineering Services for the Ichetucknee Springs Water Quality Improvement Project. Jon Dinges, Assistant Executive Director, presented staff recommendation to the Governing Board to authorize the Executive Director to enter into a negotiated contract with AMEC Environment & Infrastructure, Inc., for engineering services for the Ichetucknee Springs Water Quality Improvement project as provided in the Board materials.

MRS. JOHNS MADE A MOTION TO AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO ENTER INTO A NEGOTIATED CONTRACT WITH AMEC ENVIRONMENT & INFRASTRUCTURE, INC., FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR THE ICHETUCKNEE SPRINGS WATER QUALITY IMPROVEMENT PROJECT. 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, SANCHEZ, WILLIAMS AND QUINCEY.)

Agenda Item No. 11 – Authorization to Purchase an Additional Storage Area Network (SAN). Jon Wood, Network and Systems Manager, presented staff recommendation to the Governing Board to authorize the Executive Director to purchase an Additional Storage Area Network (SAN) as provided in the Board materials.

MR. CURTIS MADE A MOTION TO AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO PURCHASE AN ADDITIONAL STORAGE AREA NETWORK (SAN). THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MRS. SANCHEZ. UPON VOTE OF THE GOVERNING BOARD, THE MOTION CARRIED. (MEMBERS VOTING IN FAVOR: ALEXANDER, BROWN, COLE, CURTIS, JOHNS, JONES, SANCHEZ, WILLIAMS AND QUINCEY.)

DIVISION OF LAND RESOURCES

Chair Quincey opened the public hearing regarding Agenda Item No. 12 to receive public comment.

Agenda Item No. 12 – ***Public Hearing*** for Approval and Execution of Resolution 2014-02 Authorizing the Purchase of the Bradford Timberlands Tract, 340 acres ±, in Bradford County for Water Resource Development. Charlie Houder, Director, Division of Land Resources, presented staff recommendation that the Governing Board approve and execute Resolution 2014-02 authorizing the purchase of the Bradford Timberlands Tract, 340 acres ±, in Bradford County for Water Resource Development as provided in the Board materials.

Paul Still, BSWCD, provided comments to the Governing Board

Chair Quincey closed the public hearing.

DR. COLE MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE AND EXECUTE RESOLUTION 2014-02 AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF THE BRADFORD TIMBERLANDS TRACT, 340 ACRES ±, IN BRADFORD COUNTY FOR WATER RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. JONES. UPON VOTE OF THE GOVERNING BOARD, THE MOTION CARRIED. (MEMBERS VOTING IN FAVOR: ALEXANDER, BROWN, COLE, CURTIS, JOHNS, JONES, SANCHEZ, WILLIAMS AND QUINCEY.)

Agenda Item No.13 – Approval of Real Estate Brokerage Services for Fiscal Year 2013/2014. Mr. Houder presented staff recommendation that the Governing Board authorize the Executive Director to execute contracts to provide real estate brokerage services for Fiscal Year 2013/2014 as provided in the Board materials.

MR. CURTIS MADE A MOTION TO AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO EXECUTE CONTRACTS TO PROVIDE REAL ESTATE BROKERAGE SERVICES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2013/2014. 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, SANCHEZ, WILLIAMS AND QUINCEY.)

Agenda Item No. 14 – 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. 15 – Authorization to Execute an Agreement for Surveying Services on the Middle Suwannee River and Springs Restoration and Aquifer Recharge Project - **Updated**. Dale Jenkins, Senior Hydrogeologist, Division of Water Supply, presented staff recommendation to the Governing Board to authorize the Executive Director to execute an agreement for surveying services with the top-ranked firm on the Middle Suwannee River and Springs Restoration and Aquifer Recharge Project as provided in the Board materials.

MR. CURTIS MADE A MOTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH THE TOP-RANKED FIRM FOR SURVEYING SERVICES ON THE MIDDLE SUWANNEE RIVER AND SPRINGS RESTORATION AND AQUIFER RECHARGE PROJECT. 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, SANCHEZ, WILLIAMS AND QUINCEY.)

DIVISION OF WATER RESOURCES

Agenda Item No. 16 – Agricultural Water Use Monitoring Update. Erich Marzolf, Director, Division of Water Resources, presented an update for agricultural water use monitoring as an informational item as provided in Board materials.

DIVISION OF RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

Agenda Item No. 17 – Permitting Summary Report. The Permitting Summary Report was provided as an informational item as provided in the Board materials.

Agenda Item No. 18 – Enforcement Status Report. The Enforcement Status Report was provided as an informational item as provided in Board materials.

EXECUTIVE OFFICE

Agenda Item No. 19 – ***Public Hearing*** and Acceptance of Strategic Plan for Fiscal Years 2015-2019. Dr. Ann Shortelle, Executive Director, presented a recommendation to the Governing Board for acceptance of the Strategic Plan for Fiscal Years 2015-2019 as presented in the Board materials.

Chair Quincey opened the public hearing regarding Agenda Item No. 19 to receive public comment.

Paul Still, BSWCD, provided comments to the Governing Board

Chair Quincey closed the public hearing.

MR. CURTIS MADE A MOTION FOR ACCEPTANCE OF THE STRATEGIC PLAN FOR FISCAL YEARS 2015-2019. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. ALEXANDER. DR. COLE REQUESTED THE MOTION BE AMENDED TO INCLUDE THE CORRECTION OF SCRIVENERS ERRORS BEFORE PUBLISHING. MR. CURTIS AMENDED THE MOTION ACCORDINGLY. MR. ALEXANDER SECONDED THE AMENDMENT MOTION. UPON VOTE OF THE GOVERNING BOARD, THE AMENDED MOTION CARRIED. (MEMBERS VOTING IN FAVOR: ALEXANDER, BROWN, COLE, CURTIS, JOHNS, JONES, SANCHEZ, WILLIAMS AND QUINCEY.)

Agenda Item No. 20 – ***Public Hearing*** and Acceptance of the 2014 Florida Forever Work Plan. Dr. Shortelle presented a recommendation to the Governing Board for acceptance of the 2014 Florida Forever Work Plan as presented in the Board materials.

Chair Quincey opened the public hearing regarding Agenda Item No. 20 to receive public comment.

No public comments.

Chair Quincey closed the public hearing.

DR. COLE MADE A MOTION FOR ACCEPTANCE OF THE 2014 FLORIDA FOREVER WORK PLAN. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. JONES. UPON VOTE OF THE GOVERNING BOARD, THE MOTION CARRIED. (MEMBERS VOTING IN FAVOR: ALEXANDER, BROWN, COLE, CURTIS, JOHNS, JONES, SANCHEZ, WILLIAMS AND QUINCEY.)

Agenda Item No. 21 – Consideration of Resolution 2014-01 Requesting Partial Release of Funds from the Water Management Lands Trust Fund for Springs Protection and Restoration, Minimum Flows and Levels, Water Supply Planning, and Land Management Activities for the Period of January 1, 2014 through March 31, 2014. Dr. Shortelle presented a recommendation to the Governing Board for approval and execution of Resolution 2014-01 requesting partial release of funds from the Water

Management Lands Trust Fund for Springs Protection and Restoration, Minimum Flows and Levels, Water Supply Planning, and Land Management Activities for the period of January 1, 2014 through March 31, 2014 as provided in the Board materials.

MR. CURTIS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE AND EXECUTE RESOLUTION 2014-01 REQUESTING PARTIAL RELEASE OF FUNDS FROM THE WATER MANAGEMENT LANDS TRUST FUND FOR SPRINGS PROTECTION AND RESTORATION, MINIMUM FLOWS AND LEVELS, WATER SUPPLY PLANNING, AND LAND MANAGEMENT ACTIVITIES FOR THE PERIOD OF JANUARY 1, 2014 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2014. 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, SANCHEZ, WILLIAMS AND QUINCEY.)

Agenda Item No. 22 – Reimbursement Request to the Department of Environmental Protection in the Amount of $596,439 for the Period of October 1, 2013 through December 31, 2013 for District Expenditures Relating to Springs Restoration and Protection, Minimum Flows and Levels, Water Supply Planning, Preacquisition and Land Management Activities. Dr. Shortelle presented a recommendation to the Governing Board for approval of a reimbursement request to the Department of Environmental Protection in the amount of $596,439 for the period of October 1, 2013 through December 31, 2013 for District expenditures relating to Springs Restoration and Protection, Minimum Flows and Levels, Water Supply Planning, Preacquisition and Land Management Activities as provided in the Board materials.

MR. CURTIS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE REIMBURSEMENT REQUEST TO THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION IN THE AMOUNT OF $596,439 FOR THE PERIOD OF OCTOBER 1, 2013 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2013 FOR DISTRICT EXPENDITURES RELATING TO SPRINGS RESTORATION AND PROTECTION, MINIMUM FLOWS AND LEVELS, WATER SUPPLY PLANNING, PREACQUISITION AND LAND MANAGEMENT ACTIVITIES. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. JONES. UPON VOTE OF THE GOVERNING BOARD, THE MOTION CARRIED. (MEMBERS VOTING IN FAVOR: ALEXANDER, BROWN, COLE, CURTIS, JOHNS, JONES, SANCHEZ, WILLIAMS AND QUINCEY.)

Agenda Item No. 23 – Springs Projects Update. A Springs Projects Update was provided in the Governing Board Workshop.

Agenda Item No. 24 – North Florida Regional Water Supply Partnership Stakeholder Committee Update. A North Florida Regional Water Supply Partnership Stakeholder Committee update was provided as an informational item in the Board materials.

Agenda Item No. 25 - District's Weekly Activity Reports. The District's Weekly Activity Reports were provided as an informational item in the Board materials.

Meeting adjourned at 11:34 a.m.

Chair

ATTEST:

SUWANNEE RIVER WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT
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At Large	Virginia Sanchez		X	
At Large	Guy N. Williams			X
At Large	Gary Jones		X	

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Land Resources Division Director	Charlie Houder	X	
Water Supply Division Director	Carlos Herd	X	
Water Resources Division Director	Erich Marzolf	X	
Resource Mgmt. Division Director	Tim Sagul	X	
GB and HR Coordinator	Lisa Cheshire	X	

Guests:

John Good, SRWMD
Warren Zwanka, SRWMD
Dale Jenkins, SRWMD
Brian Kauffman, SRWMD
Georgia Shemitz, Gilchrist County
Carolee Howe, Shenandoah Dairy
Craig Varn, Manson Bolves
Eric T. Olsen, HGS
Carlos Herd, SRWMD
Rhonda Scott, SRWMD
Vanessa Fultz, SRWMD
John Good, SRWMD
Jacqui Sulek, Florida Audubon
Merrilee Malwitz-Jipson, Our Santa Fe River, Inc.
Steve Gladin, Trenton
Hugh Thomas, FDACS

Use of LiDAR for Bathymetric Measurements
Governing Board member Dr. George Cole presented a method for using Light Detection and Ranging (LiDAR) to determine bathymetry of river systems.

Potential Revocation of Water Use Permits for Non-Use
Warren Zwanka presented a methodology for determining active but unused Water Use Pemits in SRWMD, and discussed the specific criteria for revocation of these permits.

Middle Suwannee River and Springs Restoration and Aquifer Recharge Project Update
Dale Jenkins provided an update regarding the progress of the Middle Suwannee River and Springs Restoration and Aquifer Recharge Project. The update included a summary of completed field work (including construction of test wells and surface water gages), budget, and schedule.

Lower Santa Fe and Ichetucknee Rivers and Priority Springs Minimum Flows and Levels Update
Clay Coarsey provided an update on the Lower Santa Fe and Ichetucknee Rivers and Priority Springs Minimum Flows and Levels schedule including rulemaking workshops and deadlines.

The workshop ended at 2:05 p.m.

Chair

ATTEST: