

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

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9:00 a.m., Tuesday  
April 8, 2014

Tommy Usher Center  
Chiefland, 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
Bureau of Administration and Operations	Dave Dickens	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:

Joe Anderson, III, ACCI	Chuck Farmer, Anderson Columbia
Tim Childers, Anderson Columbia	Doug Anderson, Anderson Columbia
Chris & Diane Topping	Lucinda Merritt, Ichetucknee Alliance
Georgia Shemitz	Leslie Sapp
Brent Anderson, WRS	Jeff Dollinger, Scruggs & Carmichael, PA
Merrilee Malwitz-Jipson, Our Santa Fe River	Paul Still, BSWCD
Jeff Hill	Gary Hardacre, City of Alachua
Kevin Gay, City of Chiefland	Sue Colson, City of Cedar Key
Kevin Wright, SRWMD	Warren Zwanka, SRWMD
Leroy Marshall, SRWMD	Brian Kauffman, SRWMD
Charlie Houser, SRWMD	Bill McKinstry, SRWMD
Rhonda Scott, SRWMD	Robin Lamm, SRWMD
Dale Jenkins, SRWMD	Kevin Epps

The meeting was called to order at 9:08 a.m.

Agenda Item No. 4 – Public Comment.

- Sue Colson, City of Cedar Key – Welcomed Governing Board to Levy County
- Jeff Hill – Lawsuit Comments
- Paul Still, BSWCD – MFL Comments
- Merrilee Malwitz-Jipson, Our Santa Fe River – Sabal Trail Gas Pipeline Comments

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

Updates:

Executive Office

- Update to Agenda Item 26 - Approval of Inspector General Internal Audit Activity Charter and 2014 Internal Audit Work Plan – Addition of Pages 67A and 67B

Deletion:

- None

Chair asked for any additional public comments, none were received.

DR. COLE MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE UPDATES TO THE AGENDA. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. JONES. UPON VOTE OF THE GOVERNING BOARD, THE MOTION CARRIED. (MEMBERS VOTING IN FAVOR: ALEXANDER, COLE, CURTIS, JOHNS, JONES, SANCHEZ, WILLIAMS AND QUINCEY.)

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

- Agenda Item 6 - Approval of March 11, 2014 Governing Board Meeting and Workshop Minutes
- Agenda Item 8 - Approval of Updated District Vehicle Procedure Policy
- Agenda Item 10 - Approval of February 2014 Financial Report
- Agenda Item 15 – Authorization to Execute a Contract for Construction and Maintenance of Hydrologic Improvements
- Agenda Item 16 – Authorization to Purchase Culverts and Flashboard Risers for District Projects
- Agenda Item 17 – Authorization for the Executive Director to Enter Into a Revenue Contract with the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) to Implement a Groundwater Nitrate Reduction Project
- Agenda Item 18 - Approval of a Modification with a 0.2152 mgd Increase in Allocation and a Five-Year Permit Extension for Water Use Permit Application Number 2-82-00070.003, Kenneth O. Dicks Farm, Inc., Columbia County
- Agenda Item 24 – Reimbursement Request to the Department of Environmental Protection in the Amount of \$1,075,539 for the Period of January 1, 2014 through March 31, 2014 for District Expenditures Relating to Springs Restoration and Protection, Minimum Flows and Levels, Water Supply Planning, Preacquisition and Land Management Activities
- Agenda Item 25 – Consideration of Resolution 2014-06 Requesting the Remainder 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 April 1, 2014 through June 30, 2014

MRS. JOHNS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE UPDATES TO THE AGENDA AND CONSENT ITEMS COLLECTIVELY. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. ALEXANDER. UPON VOTE OF THE GOVERNING BOARD, THE MOTION CARRIED. (MEMBERS VOTING IN FAVOR: ALEXANDER, COLE, CURTIS, JOHNS, JONES, SANCHEZ, WILLIAMS AND QUINCEY.)

Agenda Item No. 6 – Approval of Minutes.

- March 11, 2014 Governing Board Meeting
- March 11, 2014 Governing Board Workshop

THE MARCH 11, 2014 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 gave a presentation of hydrologic conditions of the District.
- Cooperating Agencies and Organizations - None

**Governing Board Legal Counsel**

No Items

**BUREAU OF ADMINISTRATION AND OPERATIONS**

Agenda Item No. 8 – Approval of Updated District Vehicle Procedure Policy – Approved on Consent.

Agenda Item No. 9 – Authorization for the Executive Director to Execute a Contract for the Sale of Timber with John A. Cruce, Jr., Inc., for the Little River #4 Timber Sale. Bill McKinstry, Land and Facilities Operations Manager, presented staff recommendation to the Governing Board to authorize the Executive Director to execute a contract for the sale of timber with John A. Cruce, Jr., Inc. for the Little River #4 Timber Sale.

MR. CURTIS MADE A MOTION TO AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT FOR THE SALE OF TIMBER WITH JOHN A. CRUCE, JR., INC. FOR THE LITTLE RIVER #4 TIMBER SALE. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MRS. SANCHEZ. UPON VOTE OF THE GOVERNING BOARD, THE MOTION CARRIED. (MEMBERS VOTING IN FAVOR: ALEXANDER, COLE, CURTIS, JOHNS, JONES, SANCHEZ, WILLIAMS AND QUINCEY.)

Agenda Item No. 10 – Approval of February 2014 Financial Report. Approved on Consent.

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

**DIVISION OF WATER SUPPLY**

Agenda Item No. 12 – Authorization to Execute a Contract for Surface Water Modeling Services for the Middle Suwannee River and Springs Restoration and Aquifer Recharge Project. Dale Jenkins, Senior Hydrogeologist, presented staff recommendation to the Governing Board to authorize the Executive Director to execute a contract with WRScompass for Surface-Water Modeling Services for a fee not to exceed \$47,412 for the Middle Suwannee River and Springs Restoration and Aquifer Recharge Project.

MR. CURTIS MADE A MOTION TO AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH WRSCOMPASS FOR SURFACE-WATER MODELING SERVICES FOR A FEE NOT TO EXCEED \$47,412 FOR THE MIDDLE SUWANNEE RIVER AND SPRINGS RESTORATION AND AQUIFER RECHARGE PROJECT. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY DR. COLE. UPON VOTE OF THE GOVERNING BOARD, THE MOTION CARRIED. (MEMBERS VOTING IN FAVOR: ALEXANDER, COLE, CURTIS, JOHNS, JONES, SANCHEZ, WILLIAMS AND QUINCEY.)

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

Agenda Item No. 13 – Agricultural Water Use Monitoring Update. The Agricultural Water Use Monitoring Update was provided as an informational item in the Board materials.

#### **DIVISION OF RESOURCE MANAGEMENT**

Agenda Item No. 14 – Otter Sink Dispersed Water Storage Project Partnership with Anderson Land and Timber Company, Dixie County. Brian Kauffman, Senior Professional Engineer, presented staff recommendation to the Governing Board to authorize the Executive Director to enter into a contract with the Anderson Land and Timber Company, Dixie County, to implement the Otter Sink Dispersed Water Storage Project for an amount not to exceed \$65,000.

DR. COLE MADE A MOTION TO AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH THE ANDERSON LAND AND TIMBER COMPANY, DIXIE COUNTY, TO IMPLEMENT THE OTTER SINK DISPERSED WATER STORAGE PROJECT FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$65,000. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. WILLIAMS. UPON VOTE OF THE GOVERNING BOARD, THE MOTION CARRIED. (MEMBERS VOTING IN FAVOR: ALEXANDER, COLE, CURTIS, JOHNS, JONES, SANCHEZ, WILLIAMS AND QUINCEY.)

Agenda Item No. 15 – Authorization for the Executive Director to Enter into a Contract with Perpetual Contracting, Inc. for the Construction and Maintenance of Hydrologic Improvements for an Amount not to Exceed \$200,000. Approved on Consent.

Agenda Item No. 16 – Authorization for the Executive Director to Purchase Culverts from Contech Engineered Solutions and Flashboard Risers from Metal Culverts, Inc. for an Amount not to Exceed \$300,000. Approved on Consent.

Agenda Item No. 17 – Authorization for the Executive Director to Enter Into a Revenue Contract with the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) to Implement a Previously Approved Groundwater Nitrate Reduction Project. - Approved on Consent.

Agenda Item No. 18 – Approval of a Modification with a 0.2152 mgd Increase in Allocation and a Five-Year Permit Extension for Water Use Permit Application Number 2-82-00070.003, Kenneth O. Dicks Farm, Inc., Columbia County, with Eighteen Standard Conditions and Eight Special Limiting Conditions. – Approved on Consent.

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

Agenda Item No. 20 – Enforcement Status Report. The Enforcement Status Report was provided as an informational item in the Board materials.

**Chair requested Board Counsel give an update on the Jeff Hill enforcement status.**

#### **EXECUTIVE OFFICE**

Agenda Item No. 21 – Consideration of Resolution 2014-05 Authorizing an Exchange of Real Property Interests in Dixie County with Doug and Lisa Anderson. Charlie Houser, Senior Land Management Program Manager, presented a recommendation to the Governing Board to approve and execute Resolution 2014-05 authorizing the exchange of real property interests in Dixie County with Doug and Lisa Anderson.

MR. JONES MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE AND EXECUTE RESOLUTION 2014-05 AUTHORIZING THE EXCHANGE OF REAL PROPERTY INTERESTS IN DIXIE COUNTY WITH DOUG AND LISA ANDERSON. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MRS. JOHNS. UPON VOTE OF THE GOVERNING BOARD, THE MOTION CARRIED. (MEMBERS VOTING IN FAVOR: ALEXANDER, COLE, CURTIS, JOHNS, JONES, SANCHEZ, WILLIAMS AND QUINCEY.)

Agenda Item No. 22 – Consideration of Waiver of Option to Purchase and Right of First Refusal to the 20-acre Andrews Tract in Levy County. Mr. Houser presented a recommendation to the Governing Board to waive its Option to Purchase and Right of First Refusal to the 20-acre Andrews Tract in Levy County.

MRS. JOHNS MADE A MOTION TO WAIVE THE DISTRICT'S OPTION TO PURCHASE AND RIGHT OF FIRST REFUSAL TO THE 20-ACRE ANDREWS TRACT IN LEVY COUNTY. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MRS. SANCHEZ. UPON VOTE OF THE GOVERNING BOARD, THE MOTION CARRIED. (MEMBERS VOTING IN FAVOR: ALEXANDER, COLE, CURTIS, JOHNS, JONES, SANCHEZ, WILLIAMS AND QUINCEY.)

Agenda Item No. 23 – Consideration of Easement for Ingress and Egress to Dawn Kenyon in Dixie County. Mr. Houser presented a recommendation to the Governing Board to approve and execute an easement for ingress and egress to Dawn Kenyon over District lands in Dixie County and authorize the Executive Director to execute an agreement with Ms. Kenyon and First American Title Insurance Company.

MR. CURTIS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE AND EXECUTE AN EASEMENT FOR INGRESS AND EGRESS TO DAWN KENYON OVER DISTRICT LANDS IN DIXIE COUNTY AND AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH MS. KENYON AND FIRST AMERICAN TITLE INSURANCE COMPANY. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY DR. COLE. UPON VOTE OF THE GOVERNING BOARD, THE MOTION CARRIED. (MEMBERS VOTING IN FAVOR: ALEXANDER, COLE, CURTIS, JOHNS, JONES, SANCHEZ, WILLIAMS AND QUINCEY.)

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Agenda Item No. 26 – Approval of Inspector General Internal Audit Activity Charter. Jon Dinges, Assistant Executive Director, presented a recommendation to the Governing Board to approve the Inspector General Internal Audit Activity Charter and 2014 Internal Audit Work Plan.

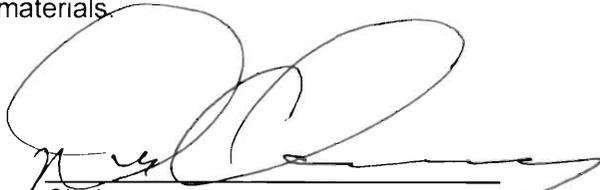
MR. CURTIS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE INSPECTOR GENERAL INTERNAL AUDIT ACTIVITY CHARTER AND 2014 INTERNAL AUDIT WORK PLAN. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. JONES. UPON VOTE OF THE GOVERNING BOARD, THE MOTION CARRIED. (MEMBERS VOTING IN FAVOR: ALEXANDER, COLE, CURTIS, JOHNS, JONES, SANCHEZ, WILLIAMS AND QUINCEY.)

Agenda Item No. 27 – North Florida Regional Water Supply Partnership Stakeholder Advisory Committee Update. A North Florida Regional Water Supply Partnership Stakeholder Advisory Committee update was provided as an informational item in the Board materials.

Agenda Item No. 28 – Land Acquisition and Disposition Activity Report. The Land Acquisition and Disposition Activity Report was provided as an informational item in the Board materials.

Agenda Item No. 29 - District's Weekly Activity Reports. The District's Weekly Activity Reports were provided as an informational item in the Board materials.

Meeting adjourned at 11:00 a.m.



Chair

ATTEST:

