

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

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9:00 a.m.  
November 12, 2015

Cedar Key Community Center  
Cedar Key, Florida

**Governing Board:**

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Aucilla Basin	Bradley Williams		X	
Coastal River Basin	Richard Schwab		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	Sec./Treas.	X	
At Large	Virginia Sanchez		X	
At Large	Gary Jones		X	
At Large	Vacant			

**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:**

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Executive Director	Noah Valenstein	X	
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Water Resources Division Director	Tom Mirti, Interim	X	
Resource Mgmt. Division Director	Tim Sagul	X	
GB & HR Coordinator	Lisa Cheshire	X	

**Guests:**

Joyce DeHaan	Ed DeHann
Marsha Schwartz, Quetfire Enterprises, LLC	Joe Hand
Bunny Hand	Mandy Offerle
Emily Casey, Nature Coast Hiking-Biking Club	Molly Jubitz
James E. Decker	R. Treat
Linda Dale	Jacqui Sulek, Audubon Florida
Bill & Julie Stephens	Katherine Lane
Nancy Taylor	Dale Henderson
Sue Seyforth	William Seyforth
Thomas Liebert, Kayak Cedar Key	Pat Deverin
Katherine Dunlop	Lou E. Jones, Cedar Key Beacon
Charles Lee, Audubon Florida	Margy VanLandingham
Jeri Treat	Tom Deverin

Diana Topping  
Patrick Anthony  
Frank Offerle  
John McPherson  
Alma T. Rice  
Steve Gladin  
Jean Wosner, Circle Pine Farm  
Phillip Raymond  
Tommy Kiger, SRWMD  
Jamie Bell, SRWMD  
Robin Lamm, SRWMD  
Joe Haber, Progressive Water Resources

Steve Stackhouse  
Christopher Topping  
Jim Hoy  
Christina Ford, Cedar Key Aquaculture Association  
Paria Shirzadi, Manson Bolves Donaldson  
Jeff Hill  
Paul Still, BSWCD  
Glenn Horvath, SRWMD  
Abby Johnson, SRWMD  
Charles Shinn, Florida Farm Bureau  
Phillip Raymond

The meeting was called to order at 9:07 a.m.

Agenda Item No. 3 - Announcement of any Amendments to the Agenda by the Chair. None

Chair Quincey announced that the Lukens Tract topic was not on the Board agenda. He requested staff to contact the City of Cedar City Council, Levy County Board of Commissioners and the Clam Farmers Association to respond to the District on what their comments and concerns regarding policy matters relating to the request to surplus the Lukens Tract. Chair announced that the Lands Committee would hear comments from citizens regarding the Lukens Tract at the Lands Committee meeting on Friday, November 13, 2015.

Agenda Item No. 4 – Public Comment.

- Tom Lebert – Lukens Tract concerns
- Lou Jones, Chiefland Citizen – Lukens Tract concerns
- Charles Lee, Audubon Society – Lukens Tract and Ware Forest concerns
- Ed DeHaan – Lukens Tract concerns
- Mandy Offerle - Lukens Tract concerns
- Frank Offerle - Lukens Tract concerns
- Roger McDaniels - Lukens Tract concerns
- Paul Still - Lukens Tract concerns, Bradford County flooding issues and Chemours Agreement concerns
- Christine Ford - Lukens Tract concerns

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

- Agenda Item 6 - October 13, 2015, Governing Board Meeting and Workshop Minutes
- Agenda Item 9 - Approval of September 2015 Financial Report
- Agenda Item 10 - Authorization to Execute an Agreement with Florida Department of Military Affairs (DMA) for the Management of Lands Purchased within the Camp Blanding Buffers
- Agenda Item 14 - Approval of 2016 Priority List for Establishment of Minimum Flows and Levels
- Agenda Item 17 - Approval of Resolution 2015-26 Authorization to Amend Fiscal Year (FY) 2016 Budget with Amendment No. 02 to Include Unanticipated Carry Forward

Revenues in the Amount of \$176,485 for the Amendment to Grant #S0780 from the Florida Department of Environmental Protection for Continuous Water Quality Monitoring at Springs

- Agenda Item 23 - Request for Authorization to Publish a Notice of Proposed Rule for Rules Recommended for Repeal in SRWMD's Annual Review of Existing of Rules, Pursuant to Executive Order 11-211, and File Repealed Rules and any Recommended Changes with the Department of State if no Objections are Received

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

Agenda Item No. 6 – Approval of Minutes.

- October 13, 2015, Governing Board Meeting and Workshop Minutes.

THE OCTOBER 13, 2015 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

- Tom Mirti gave a presentation of hydrologic conditions within the District
- Cooperating Agencies and Organizations - None

**GOVERNING BOARD LEGAL COUNSEL**

Agenda Item No. 8 - Update on Legal Activities.

Tom Reeves provided an update on the Jeff Hill Enforcement case.

**DIVISION OF ADMINISTRATION AND OPERATIONS**

Agenda Item No. 9 – Approval of September 2015 Financial Report. Approved on Consent.

Agenda Item No. 10 – Authorization to Execute an Agreement with Florida Department of Military Affairs (DMA) for the Management of Lands Purchased within the Camp Blanding Buffers. Approved on Consent.

Agenda Item No. 11 – Authorization to Conduct a Detailed Assessment and Commence Negotiations on Lands Owned by Virginia and Jerry Coker, 37.32 acres +/- in Gilchrist County. Dave Dickins, Director, Division of Administration and Operations, presented staff recommendation to the Governing Board to authorize staff to conduct a detailed assessment and commence negotiations with Virginia and Jerry Coker on 37.32 acres +/- in Gilchrist County.

MR. WILLIAMS MADE A MOTION TO AUTHORIZE STAFF TO CONDUCT A DETAILED ASSESSMENT AND COMMENCE NEGOTIATIONS WITH VIRGINIA AND JERRY COKER ON 37.32

ACRES +/- IN GILCHRIST COUNTY. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. JONES. UPON VOTE OF THE GOVERNING BOARD, THE MOTION CARRIED. (MEMBERS VOTING IN FAVOR: ALEXANDER, BROWN, JOHNS, JONES, SANCHEZ, SCHWAB, WILLIAMS, AND QUINCEY.)

Agenda Item No. 12 - Land and Facilities Operations Activity Summary. The Land and Facilities Operations Activity Summary was provided as an informational item in the Board materials.

Agenda Item No. 13 - Land Acquisition and Disposition Activity Report. The Land Acquisition and Disposition Activity Report was provided as an informational item in the Board materials.

### **DIVISION OF WATER SUPPLY**

Agenda Item No. 14 - Approval of 2016 Priority List for Establishment of Minimum Flows and Levels. Approved on Consent.

Agenda Item No. 15 – Approval of an Agreement with Florida Department of Environmental Protection to Receive \$2,120,000 to Improve Nutrient Application Practices in Dairy Operations. Glenn Horvath, Project Manager, presented staff recommendation to the Governing Board to authorize the Executive Director to execute an agreement with the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) to receive \$2,120,000 for cost sharing with dairies to improve nutrient application practices.

Steve Gladin provided comments to the Board.

MRS. SANCHEZ MADE A MOTION TO AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION (DEP) TO RECEIVE \$2,120,000 FOR COST SHARING WITH DAIRIES TO IMPROVE NUTRIENT APPLICATION PRACTICES. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. SCHWAB. UPON VOTE OF THE GOVERNING BOARD, THE MOTION CARRIED. (MEMBERS VOTING IN FAVOR: ALEXANDER, BROWN, JOHNS, JONES, SANCHEZ, SCHWAB, WILLIAMS, AND QUINCEY.)

Agenda Item No. 16 - Compensation and Reclamation Agreement with Chemours Company TT, LLC, Rayonier Atlantic Timber Company South Tract in Bradford County, Florida. Carlos Herd, Director, Water Supply, presented staff recommendation to the Governing Board to authorize the Executive Director to execute a compensation and reclamation agreement with Chemours Company TT, LLC, to mine portions of the District-owned Rayonier Atlantic Timber Company South Tract in Bradford County, Florida.

Tom Reeves, Legal Counsel, provided comments to the Board.

MRS. SANCHEZ MADE A MOTION TO AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO EXECUTE A COMPENSATION AND RECLAMATION AGREEMENT WITH CHEMOURS COMPANY TT, LLC, TO MINE PORTIONS OF THE DISTRICT-OWNED RAYONIER ATLANTIC TIMBER COMPANY SOUTH TRACT IN BRADFORD COUNTY, FLORIDA. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. JONES. UPON VOTE OF THE GOVERNING BOARD, THE MOTION CARRIED. (MEMBERS

VOTING IN FAVOR: ALEXANDER, BROWN, JOHNS, JONES, SANCHEZ, SCHWAB, WILLIAMS, AND QUINCEY.)

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

Agenda Item No. 17 – Approval of Resolution 2015-26 Authorization to Amend Fiscal Year (FY) 2016 Budget with Amendment No. 02 to Include Unanticipated Carry Forward Revenues in the Amount of \$176,485 for the Amendment to Grant #S0780 from the Florida Department of Environmental Protection for Continuous Water Quality Monitoring at Springs. Approved on Consent.

Agenda Item No. 18 – Authorization to Purchase Teledyne RiverPro Acoustic Doppler Current Profiler. Tom Mirti, Interim Director, Water Resources, presented staff recommendation to the Governing Board to authorize the Executive Director to purchase a Teledyne RiverPro Acoustic Doppler Current Profiler for an amount of \$33,665 from Instrument Specialties.

MR. JONES MADE A MOTION TO AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO PURCHASE A TELEDYNE RIVERPRO ACOUSTIC DOPPLER CURRENT PROFILER FOR AN AMOUNT OF \$33,665 FROM INSTRUMENT SPECIALTIES. MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MRS. SANCHEZ. UPON VOTE OF THE GOVERNING BOARD, THE MOTION CARRIED. (MEMBERS VOTING IN FAVOR: ALEXANDER, BROWN, JOHNS, JONES, SANCHEZ, SCHWAB, WILLIAMS, AND QUINCEY.)

Agenda Item No. 19 – Authorization to Purchase YSI Sondes and Probes. Mr. Mirti presented staff recommendation to the Governing Board to authorize the Executive Director to purchase two YSI EXO2 Sondes and associated probes and ancillary equipment for an amount of \$47,760.

MRS. SANCHEZ MADE A MOTION TO AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO PURCHASE TWO YSI EXO2 SONDES AND ASSOCIATED PROBES AND ANCILLARY EQUIPMENT FOR AN AMOUNT OF \$47,760. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. ALEXANDER. UPON VOTE OF THE GOVERNING BOARD, THE MOTION CARRIED. (MEMBERS VOTING IN FAVOR: ALEXANDER, BROWN, JOHNS, JONES, SANCHEZ, SCHWAB, WILLIAMS, AND QUINCEY.)

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

Agenda Item No. 20 - Authorization to Purchase Culverts and Flashboard Risers for District Projects. Tim Sagul, Director, Resource Management, presented staff recommendation to the Governing Board to authorize the Executive Director to purchase culverts and flashboard risers from Contech Engineered Solutions, Gulf Atlantic Culvert Company, or Metal Culverts Inc. based on the lowest bid for an amount not-to-exceed \$155,000.

MR. SCHWAB MADE A MOTION TO AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO PURCHASE CULVERTS AND FLASHBOARD RISERS FROM CONTECH ENGINEERED SOLUTIONS, GULF ATLANTIC CULVERT COMPANY, OR METAL CULVERTS INC. BASED ON THE LOWEST BID FOR AN AMOUNT NOT-TO-EXCEED \$155,000. THE MOTION WAS

SECONDED BY MR. WILLIAMS. UPON VOTE OF THE GOVERNING BOARD, THE MOTION CARRIED. (MEMBERS VOTING IN FAVOR: ALEXANDER, BROWN, JOHNS, JONES, SANCHEZ, SCHWAB, AND WILLIAMS.)

Agenda Item No. 21 - Authorization to Purchase Rock Aggregate for District Projects. Mr. Sagul presented staff recommendation to authorize the Executive Director to purchase rock aggregate from the mine with the lowest combination of hauling and material cost for an amount not-to-exceed \$170,000.

MR. SCHWAB MADE A MOTION TO AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO PURCHASE ROCK AGGREGATE FROM THE MINE WITH THE LOWEST COMBINATION OF HAULING AND MATERIAL COST FOR AN AMOUNT NOT-TO-EXCEED \$170,000. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MRS. SANCHEZ. UPON VOTE OF THE GOVERNING BOARD, THE MOTION CARRIED. (MEMBERS VOTING IN FAVOR: ALEXANDER, BROWN, JOHNS, JONES, SANCHEZ, SCHWAB, WILLIAMS, AND QUINCEY.)

Agenda Item No. 22 – Denial of a Variance Request for Environmental Resource Permit (ERP), WOD-121-225628-1, Lots 21 & 22 Suwannee River Terrace, Suwannee County. Mr. Sagul, presented staff recommendation to issue a Final Order denying the Variance Request for subsections 40B-4.3030(4) and 40B-4.3030(7), Florida Administrative Code, (F.A.C.), Lots 21 & 22 Suwannee River Terrace, Suwannee County.

Phillip Raymond, applicant, provided comments to the Board.

MRS. SANCHEZ MADE A MOTION TO ISSUE A FINAL ORDER DENYING THE VARIANCE REQUEST FOR SUBSECTIONS 40B-4.3030(4) AND 40B-4.3030(7), FLORIDA ADMINISTRATIVE CODE, (F.A.C.), LOTS 21 & 22 SUWANNEE RIVER TERRACE, SUWANNEE COUNTY. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. ALEXANDER. UPON VOTE OF THE GOVERNING BOARD, THE MOTION CARRIED. (MEMBERS VOTING IN FAVOR: ALEXANDER, BROWN, JOHNS, JONES, SANCHEZ, SCHWAB, WILLIAMS, AND QUINCEY.)

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Agenda Item No. 24 – Permitting Summary Report. The Permitting Summary Report was provided as an informational item in the Board materials.

Agenda Item No. 25 – Enforcement Status Report. The Enforcement Status Report was provided as an informational item in the Board materials.

**EXECUTIVE OFFICE**

Agenda Item 26 – RESTORE Act Update. Noah Valenstein, Executive Director, presented a RESTORE Act Update to the Board.

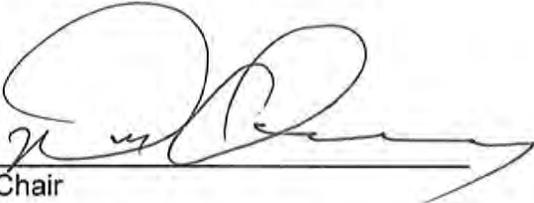
Agenda Item No. 27 – North Florida Regional Water Supply Partnership Stakeholder Advisory Committee Update. A North Florida Regional Water Supply Partnership Stakeholder Advisory Committee update was provided as an informational item in the Board materials.

Agenda Item No. 28 - District's Weekly Activity Reports. The District's Weekly Activity Reports were provided as an informational item in the Board materials.

Agenda Item No. 29 - Announcements

Agenda Item No. 30 - Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 12:08 p.m.

  
Chair

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 MINUTES OF  
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Mike Allen, IFAS	Joe Haber, Progressive Water Resources

The Board Workshop began at 2:14 p.m.

Water Resources Assessment Discussion

Tommy Kiger, District Hydrologist, and Joe Haber representing Progressive Water Resources, provided a powerpoint presentation regarding the 2015 Water Supply Assessment

Cedar Key Presentation – Leslie Sturmer, Regional Shellfish Aquaculture Extension Agent, University of Florida IFAS Extension

Leslie Sturmer, Regional Shellfish Aquaculture Extension Agent IV, University of Florida IFAS provided a presentation to the Board regarding a general overview of the clam industry and clam farming.

Mike Allen, Director, Nature Coast Biological Station, spoke regarding the University of Florida Marine Lab station that is being developing in Cedar Key.

Preliminary Budget Fiscal Year 2017 Discussion

Noah Valenstein presented the Board with the preliminary budget for Fiscal Year 2017.

The workshop adjourned at 4:39 p.m.

  
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SUWANNEE RIVER WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT  
 LANDS COMMITTEE AND HUMAN RESOURCE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

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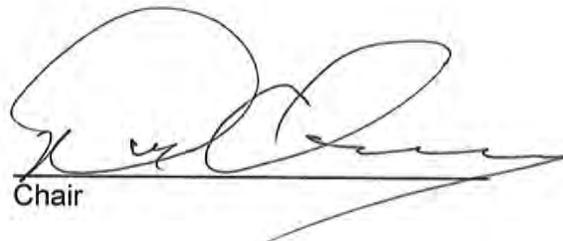
Jeri Trent  
David Ward, Aucilla Wacissa River Group  
John Andrews  
Allan Pither  
Thomas Liebert, Kayak Cedar Key  
Keith Rowell, SRWMD

Lands Committee Meeting began at 9:07 a.m. and ended at 10:50 a.m.

The Lands Committee meeting materials and recording are located with the November Governing Board materials and recording.

Human Resources Committee Meeting began at 10:58 a.m. and ended at 11:42 a.m.

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Chair

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