

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

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9:00 a.m., Tuesday
August 8, 2017

District Headquarters
Live Oak, Florida

Agenda Item No. 1 – Call to Order. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m.

Agenda Item No 2 – Roll Call

Governing Board:

| Seat | Name | Office | Present | Not Present |
|-------------------------|--------------------|-------------|---------|-------------|
| 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 | Charles Keith | | X | |

Governing Board General Counsel

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

Leadership Team:

| Position | Name | Present | Not Present |
|--|-----------------|---------|-------------|
| Executive Director | Hugh Thomas | X | |
| Assistant Executive Director | Darrell Smith | X | |
| Chief of Staff | Roary Snider | X | |
| Governmental Affairs Director | Steve Minnis | X | |
| Water Supply Division Interim Director | John Good, P.E. | X | |
| Water Resources Division Director | Tom Mirti | X | |
| Resource Mgmt. Division Director | Tim Sagul | X | |
| Communications Director | Katelyn Potter | X | |
| Executive Office & Board Coordinator | Robin Lamm | X | |

Guests:

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| Staci Greco, Alachua County EPD | Robin Hallbaug, Alachua County EPD |
| Charles Williams, City of Jasper Manager | Brian Johns, Bradford County Emergency Services |
| David Keans, Columbia County | Kenneth Lee, Town of Cross City Mayor |
| Joseph Henderson, Town of Cross City | Brenda Royal, Town of Cross City |
| Mary Lou Hildreth, City of Hampton | Carolee Howe, Shenandoah Dairy |
| Corey Mikell, H2O Mobile Lab | Leigh Brooks, FDACS |
| Lu Merritt, Ichetucknee Alliance | Mark Diblin, Amec Foster Wheeler |
| Kevin Wright, Generation Farms | Craig Varn, Manson Bolves & Varn |
| Charles Shinn, Florida Farm Bureau | Ray Hodge, Southeast Milk |
| Officer Robbie Creech, FFWCC | Steve Gladin |
| Paul Still | Jeff Hill |

Staff:

Bill McKinstry
Warren Zwanka
Pam Shaw
Mary Diaz
Pat Webster
Darlene Saindon Valez
Tyler Jordan

Robbie McKinney
Keith Rowell
Kayley Love
Ben Glass
Steve Carpenter
Lisa Cheshire

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

Updates:

Division of Water Resources – Agenda Item 24 - Authorization to Enter into an Interagency Joint Funding Agreement with the United States Geological Survey, Florida District, for Streamgaging Services

Deletions:

Division of Resource Management – Agenda Item 30 - Approval of Variance Request for General Works of the District Permit Application Number WOD-075-230221-1, Miller House Addition

MOTION WAS MADE BY SCHWAB, SECONDED BY SANCHEZ TO APPROVE THE RECOMMENDATION. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Chair Alexander moved Agenda Item 8 to this section of the agenda.

Agenda Item 8 - Discussion of Executive Director Contract with the Suwannee River Water Management District.

MOTION WAS MADE BY SCHWAB TO APPROVE THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR CONTRACT SECONDED BY JOHNS. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Agenda Item No. 4 – Public Comment.

- Brian Johns, Bradford County Emergency Services – Request that the Board support the RIVER project grant recommendation.
- Charles Williams, City of Jasper Manager - Request that the Board support the RIVER project grant recommendation.
- Carolee Howe, Shenandoah Dairy – Thanks the Board for support of agriculture.
- Staci Greco, Alachua County EPD - Request that the Board support the RIVER project grant recommendation.
- Paul Still – Audit, MFL, and RIVER grant evaluation concerns.

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

- Agenda Item 6 - July 11, 2017 Board Meeting and Workshop Minutes
- Agenda Item 10 - Approval of June 2016 Financial Report
- Agenda Item 12 - Authorization for the Executive Director to Procure Insurance Coverage from Recommended Insurance Providers
- Agenda Item 13 - Authorization to Renew Contract 16/17-082 with Powell and Jones CPA, PA, for Audit Services for Fiscal Year 2018
- Agenda Item 14 - Renewal of Prescribed Fire Services Contracts for Fiscal Year 2018
- Agenda Item 15 - Authorization to Renew the Cooperative Management Agreement with Florida Forest Service for Prescribed Fire Management Services for Fiscal Year 2018

- Agenda Item 16 - Authorization to Renew Contract with Facilities Maintenance of Gainesville for Heating, Ventilation and Air Conditioning Maintenance and Repair
- Agenda Item 17 - Approval to Renew Contracts for Recreation Maintenance Services, Road Mowing and Boundary Painting Services for Fiscal Year 2018
- Agenda Item 27 - Approval of a Modification of Water Use Permit 2-047-220401-2, with a 0.1817 mgd Decrease in Allocation and a Nine-Year Permit Extension, Authorizing the Use of 0.2351 mgd of Groundwater for Agricultural Use at the I-75 Project, Hamilton County
- Agenda Item 29 - Approval of a Modification of Water Use Permit 2-041-217289-3, with a 0.1719 mgd Increase in Allocation and a Ten-Year Permit Extension, Authorizing the Use of 0.2387 mgd of Groundwater for Agricultural Use at the Scott Tucker Farm Project, Gilchrist County
- Agenda Item 31 - Request for Approval and Authorization to submit the 2017-2018 Annual Regulatory Plan to the Office of Fiscal Accountability and Regulatory Reform

MOTION WAS MADE BY SCHWAB, SECONDED BY SANCHEZ TO APPROVE THE RECOMMENDATION. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Agenda Item No. 6 – Approval of Minutes – July 11, 2017 Governing Board Meeting and Workshop Minutes. Approved on Consent.

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

- Tom Mirti gave a presentation of hydrologic conditions of the District.
- Cooperating Agencies and Organizations – None
- Service Award: Robbie McKinney was presented with the 10-year service award by John Good, Interim Water Supply Division Director.

Agenda Item 8 - Discussion of Executive Director Contract with the Suwannee River Water Management District. Move to beginning of Board meeting per Chair Alexander's request.

GOVERNING BOARD LEGAL COUNSEL

Agenda Item No. 9 – Legal Activities Update. Tom Reeves, Board Legal Counsel, updated the Board on the resolutions of the Division of Administrative Hearing cases regarding the Emergency Rule.

DIVISION OF ADMINISTRATION AND OPERATIONS

Agenda Item No. 10 – Approval of June 2017 Financial Report. Approved on Consent.

Agenda Item No. 11 – Financial Update. Roary Snider, Chief of Staff, provided a powerpoint regarding the Tentative Budget and Audit Reports.

Agenda Item No. 12 – Authorization for the Executive Director to Procure Insurance Coverage from Recommended Insurance Providers. Approved on Consent.

Agenda Item No. 13 - Authorization to Renew Contract 16/17-082 with Powell and Jones CPA, PA, for Audit Services for Fiscal Year 2018. Approved on Consent.

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Agenda Item No. 18 - Authorization for the Executive Director to Continue Health Care Insurance Coverage at an Aggregate Premium Estimated Cost of \$779,721 for Fiscal Year 2018. Mr. Snider presented this item to the Board.

MOTION WAS MADE BY JOHNS, SECONDED BY SANCHEZ TO APPROVE THE RECOMMENDATION. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Agenda Item No. 19 - Approval of Amended Contractual Services Policy. Mr. Snider presented this item to the Board.

MOTION WAS MADE BY JOHNS, SECONDED BY SANCHEZ TO APPROVE THE RECOMMENDATION. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Agenda Item No. 20 - Land and Facilities Operations Activity Summary. This summary was provided as an informational item in the Board materials.

Agenda Item No. 21 - Land Acquisition and Disposition Activity Report. This report was provided as an informational item in the Board materials.

DIVISION OF WATER SUPPLY

No Items.

DIVISION OF WATER RESOURCES

Darlene Saindon-Velez, Environmental Scientist IV, present a powerpoint regarding the Water Quality Network History.

Agenda Item No. 22 - Authorization to Contract with Amec Foster Wheeler Environment & Infrastructure, Inc., for Water Quality and Biological Sampling. Mrs. Valez presented this item to the Board.

MOTION WAS MADE BY SCHWAB, SECONDED BY WILLIAMS TO APPROVE THE RECOMMENDATION. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Agenda Item No. 23 - Authorization to Contract with Vanasse Hangen Brustlin, Inc., for Discharge Measurements and Calculation of Daily Values. Tom Mirti, Division Director, presented this item to the Board.

MOTION WAS MADE BY SCHWAB, SECONDED BY JOHNS TO APPROVE THE RECOMMENDATION. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Agenda Item No. 24 - Authorization to Enter into an Interagency Joint Funding Agreement with the United States Geological Survey, Florida District, for Streamgaging Services. Mr. Mirti presented this item to the Board.

MOTION WAS MADE BY SANCHEZ, SECONDED BY JOHNS TO APPROVE THE RECOMMENDATION. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Agenda Item No. 25 - Interagency Agreement with St. Johns River Water Management District for Surface and Groundwater Chemistry Analysis. Mrs. Valez presented this item to the Board.

MOTION WAS MADE BY SANCHEZ, SECONDED BY WILLIAMS TO APPROVE THE RECOMMENDATION. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Agenda Item No. 26 - Agricultural Water Use Monitoring Update. Mr. Mirti provided this update to the Board.

DIVISION OF RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

Agenda Item No. 27 – Approval of a Modification of Water Use Permit 2-047-220401-2, with a 0.1817 mgd Decrease in Allocation and a Nine-Year Permit Extension, Authorizing the Use of 0.2351 mgd of Groundwater for Agricultural Use at the I-75 Project, Hamilton County. Approved on Consent.

Agenda Item No. 28 – Approval of a Modification of Water Use Permit 2-079-221718-4, with a 0.2710 mgd Increase in Allocation, Authorizing the Use of 2.4251 mgd of Groundwater for Agricultural Use at the Valmont Project, Madison County. Warren Zwanka, Senior Hydrogeologist, presented this item to the Board.

Steve Gladin and Paul Still provided comments to the Board.

MOTION WAS MADE BY SANCHEZ, SECONDED BY SCHWAB TO APPROVE THE RECOMMENDATION. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

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Agenda Item No. 31 - Request for Approval and Authorization to submit the 2017-2018 Annual Regulatory Plan to the Office of Fiscal Accountability and Regulatory Reform. Approved on Consent.

Agenda Item No. 32 – Permitting Summary Report. This report was provided as an informational item in the Board materials.

Chair Alexander recognized Mary Lou Hildreth, City of Hampton. She thanks the Board for the RIVER recommendation for the City of Hampton project.

AGRICULTURE AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROJECTS

Darrell Smith, Assistant Executive Director, updated the Board on the proposed FY 2017 Springs grants projects list that was released by the Governor's Office on Monday, August 7, 2017.

Agenda Item No. 33 - Approval to Enter into Contracts for the Fiscal Year 2017 Regional Initiative Valuing Environmental Resources (RIVER) Cost-Share Program. Pat Webster, Senior Professional Engineer, presented this item to the Board.

Brian Johns, Bradford County Bradford County Emergency Services, and Paul Still provided comments to the Board.

MOTION WAS MADE BY SCHWAB, SECONDED BY JOHNS TO APPROVE THE RECOMMENDATION. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

EXECUTIVE OFFICE

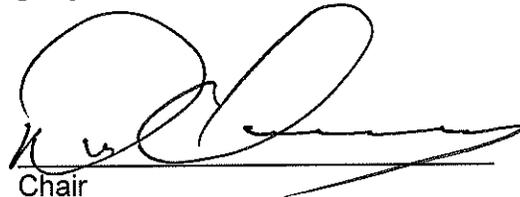
Agenda Item No. 34 – Approval of Governing Board Directive Number GBD17-0001 Regarding Water Use Monitoring Assistance. Hugh Thomas, Executive Director, presented this item to the Board.

MOTION WAS MADE BY SANCHEZ, SECONDED BY JOHNS TO APPROVE THE RECOMMENDATION. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Agenda Item No. 35 - District's Weekly Activity Reports. These reports were provided as an informational item in the Board materials.

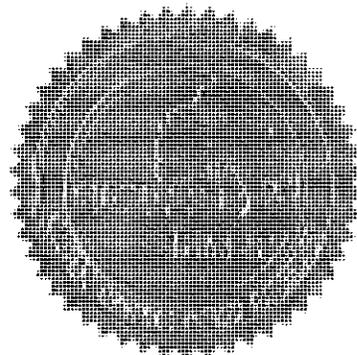
Agenda Item No. 28 - Announcements

Agenda Item No. 29 – Adjournment. Board Meeting adjourned at 11:41 a.m.


Chair

ATTEST:





LAND COMMITTEE MEETING

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Following Board Meeting

District Headquarters
Live Oak, FL

1. Call to Order / Committee Roll Call. Meeting began at 11:45 a.m.

| Committee Members | Present | Not Present |
|------------------------------|----------------|-------------------------------|
| Al Alexander | X | |
| Kevin Brown | X | |
| Gary Jones | | X |
| Virginia Sanchez | X | |
| Bradley Williams | X | |
| Guests: | | |
| Charles Keith, Board Member | | Virginia Johns, Board Member |
| Richard Schwab, Board Member | | Tom Kay, Alachua County Trust |
| Leigh Brooks, FDACS | | |
| Staff: | | |
| Hugh Thomas | | Tom Mirti |
| Roary Snider | | Darrell Smith |
| Steve Minnis | | Darrell Smith |
| Robin Lamm | | Roary Snider |
| Katelyn Potter | | Keith Rowell |
| Bill McKinstry | | Tyler Jordan |

2. Public Comment – None

General Discussion / Update – None

3. Land Acquisition / New Property Offers:

Santa Fe Springs Project, 288 Acres +/-, Columbia County. Keith Rowell, Surveyor/Mapper presented this item to the Committee.

Tom Kay, Alachua County Trust, and Paul Still provided comments to the Board.

WILLIAMS MADE MOTION TO SEND TO FULL BOARD FOR CONSIDERATION, SECONDED BY ALEXANDER. MOTION CARRIED.

4. Conservation Easement Modification Requests - None

5. Surplus Lands / Updates:

Conveyance of Suwannee Springs (5.77 AC +/-) and Falmouth Springs (4.86 AC +/-) Solid Waste Transfer Stations to Suwannee County. Mr. Rowell presented this item to the Committee.

SANCHEZ MADE MOTION TO SEND TO FULL BOARD FOR CONSIDERATION, SECONDED BY ALEXANDER. MOTION CARRIED.

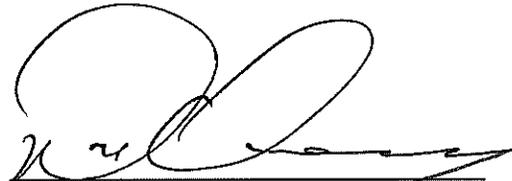
- 6. Announcements - None
- 7. Adjournment - Meeting adjourned at 12:14 p.m.

SUWANNEE RIVER WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT
WORKSHOP MINUTES

Sunshine Law Discussion

Tom Reeves, Board Legal Counsel, presented a powerpoint on State Sunshine Law Guidelines.

The workshop adjourned at 12:43 p.m.



Chair

ATTEST:

