

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

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9:00 a.m., Tuesday  
October 10, 2017

District Headquarters  
Live Oak, Florida

Agenda Item No. 1 – Call to Order. The meeting was called to order at 9:01 a.m.

Agenda Item No 2 – Roll Call

Governing Board:

<b>Seat</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Office</b>	<b>Present</b>	<b>Not Present</b>
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

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

Leadership Team:

Executive Director	Hugh Thomas	X	
Assistant Executive Director	Darrell Smith	X	
Governmental Affairs Director	Steve Minnis		X
Administration and Operations Director	Roary Snider	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:**

Mike Tice, Tice Farms	Doug Crawford, BMP Logic
Pamela Flores, FDEP	Jennifer Adams, FDEP
Andy Jackson, SCCD	Officer Creech, FFWCC
Gary Hardacre, City of Alachua	Lucinda Merritt, Ichetucknee Alliance
Cory Mikell, H2O Mobile Lab	Leigh Brooks, FDACS
Brad Ellis, Florida Forest Service	Carolee Howe, Shenandoah Dairy
Tim Donalson, FDACS Ag Water Policy	Paria Shirzadi, Manson, Bolves Donaldson & Varn
W. C. Hart, Lafayette SWCD	Jacqui Sulak, Audubon Florida

Charles Shinn, Florida Farm Bureau  
Georgia Schmitz  
Jeff Hill  
Steve Gladin

Ray Hodge, Southeast Milk  
Paul Still, BSWCD  
Mr. & Mrs. Paul Still

**STAFF**

Tyler Jordan  
Lisa Cheshire  
Kris Eskelin  
Tilda Musgrove  
Joel Carnow  
Ben Glass  
Amy Brown

Keith Rowell  
Bill McKinstry  
Warren Zwanka  
Mary Diaz  
Scott Gregor  
Justin Garland  
David Christian

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

Division of Water Supply – Agenda Item 15 - Approval of 2017 Priority List for Establishment of Minimum Flows and Minimum Levels (WS pages 3-7)

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

Agenda Item No. 4 – Public Comment.

- Paul Still – Requested water use permits be removed from Board agenda.
- Paul Still, BSWCS – Flooding concerns in Bradford County. Chemours pumping concerns.
- Jeff Hill – Board Chair called on Mr. Hill for comments. He had left the building.
- Steve Gladin – District rule changes concerns. Request Board to adopt rules regarding what constitutes one entity on Water Use permit applications.

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

- Agenda Item 6 - Approval of Minutes – September 20, 2017 Board Minutes, First Public Hearing on FY 2018 Millage and Budget Minutes, September 26, 2017 Board Minutes, Workshop and Final Public Hearing on FY 2018 Millage and Budget Minutes
- Agenda Item 9 – Approval of August 2017 Financial Report
- Agenda Item 18 - Approval of a Modification of Water Use Permit 2-067-229795-1, with a 0.0602 mgd Decrease in Allocation and a Ten-Year Permit Extension, Authorizing the Use of 0.2014 mgd of Groundwater for Agricultural Use at the White Oak Dairy North Project, Lafayette County
- Agenda Item 19 - Approval of a Modification of Water Use Permit 2-067-229796-1, with a 0.1630 mgd Decrease in Allocation and a Ten-Year Permit Extension, Authorizing the Use of 0.3130 mgd of Groundwater for Agricultural Use at the White Oak Dairy South Project, Lafayette County
- Agenda Item 20 - Approval of a Modification of Water Use Permit 2-121-220428-2, with a 0.0192 mgd Decrease in Allocation and a Nine-Year Permit Extension, Authorizing the Use of 0.1022 mgd of Groundwater for Agricultural Use at the Turman Project, Suwannee County
- Agenda Item 21 - Request for Authorization to Publish Notice of Rule Development to Amend Rules Contained in Chapter 40B-3, Florida Administrative Code (Permitting of Well Construction)

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

Agenda Item No. 6 – Approval of Minutes - September 20, 2017 Board Minutes, First Public Hearing on FY 2018 Millage and Budget Minutes, September 26, 2017 Board Minutes, Workshop and Final Public Hearing on FY 2018 Millage and Budget 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
- Staff Recognition – Hugh Thomas, Executive Director, recognized Tim Sagul for fifteen years of service and Joel Carnow for receiving Master's Degree.

### **GOVERNING BOARD LEGAL COUNSEL**

Agenda Item No. 8 – Legal Activities Update. No updated provided.

### **DIVISION OF ADMINISTRATION AND OPERATIONS**

Agenda Item No. 9 – Approval of August 2017 Financial Report. Approved on Consent.

Agenda Item No. 10 – Approval of Expenditure for Contract 05/06-131 for Florida Forest Service - Twin Rivers State Forest Land Management Activities. Bill McKinstry, Lands and Facilities Operations Manager, presented this item to the Board.

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

Agenda Item No. 11 – Authorization to Renew Contract 15/16-05 with WLOFM Corporation d/b/a Walt's Live Oak Ford Mercury, for Fiscal Year 2018 Vehicle Maintenance. Approved on Consent.

Agenda Item No. 12 – Authorization to Renew Contract 16/17-258 with Perpetual Contracting Inc. for Fiscal Year 2018 Herbicide Application Services. Approved on Consent.

Agenda Item No. 13 - Land and Facilities Operations Activity Summary. This summary was provided as an informational item in the Board materials.

Agenda Item No. 14 - Acquisition and Disposition Activity Report. This report was provided as an informational item in the Board materials.

### **DIVISION OF WATER SUPPLY**

Agenda Item No. 15 – Approval of 2017 Priority List for Establishment of Minimum Flows and Minimum Levels. John Good, Interim Division Director, presented this item to the Board.

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

## **DIVISION OF WATER RESOURCES**

Agenda Item No. 16 - Agricultural Water Use Monitoring Update. This update was provided as an informational item in the Board materials.

## **DIVISION OF RESOURCE MANAGEMENT**

Agenda Item No. 17 – Approval of Final Order 17-0006, for Individual Works of the District Permit Application Number ERP-067-230260-1, CR 250 Bridge Replacement, Lafayette and Suwannee Counties. Tim Sagul, 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. 18 – Approval of a Modification of Water Use Permit 2-067-219279-6, with a 0.4425 mgd Decrease in Allocation and a Ten-Year Permit Extension, Authorizing the Use of 0.9039 mgd of Groundwater for Agricultural Use at the White Oak Dairy Project, Lafayette County. Warren Zwanka, Chief Hydrogeologist, presented this item to the Board.

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

Agenda Item No. 19 – Approval of a Modification of Water Use Permit 2-067-229795-1, with a 0.0602 mgd Decrease in Allocation and a Ten-Year Permit Extension, Authorizing the Use of 0.2014 mgd of Groundwater for Agricultural Use at the White Oak Dairy North Project, Lafayette County. Approved on Consent.

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Agenda Item No. 21 – Approval of a Modification of Water Use Permit 2-121-220428-2, with a 0.0192 mgd Decrease in Allocation and a Nine-Year Permit Extension, Authorizing the Use of 0.1022 mgd of Groundwater for Agricultural Use at the Turman Project, Suwannee County. Approved on Consent.

Agenda Item No. 22 - Request for Authorization to Publish Notice of Rule Development to Amend Rules Contained in Chapter 40B-3, Florida Administrative Code (Permitting of Well Construction). Approved on Consent.

Agenda Item No. 23 – Permitting Summary Report. This report was provided as an informational item in the Board materials.

## **AGRICULTURE AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROJECTS**

Agenda Item No. 24 - Authorization to Implement the Precision Agriculture Cost-Share Program. Darrell Smith, Assistant Executive Director, presented this item to the Board.

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

**EXECUTIVE OFFICE**

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

Agenda Item No. 26 - Announcements

Agenda Item No. 27 – Adjournment. Meeting adjourned at 10:05 a.m.

  
Chair

ATTEST:





LAND COMMITTEE MEETING

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Following Board Meeting

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1. Call to Order / Committee Roll Call. Meeting began at 10:32 a.m.

<b>Committee Members</b>	<b>Present</b>	<b>Not Present</b>
Al Alexander	X	
Kevin Brown	X	
Gary Jones	X	
Virginia Sanchez	X	
Bradley Williams		X
<b>Guests:</b>		
Charles Keith, Board Member		Virginia Johns, Board Member
Richard Schwab, Board Member		Charles Shinn, Florida Farm Bureau
Ray Hodge, Southeast Milk		Andy Jackson, SCCD
Bob Hochmuth, UF/IFAS		Officer Creech, FFWCC
Leigh Brooks, FDACS		Paul Still
Mrs. Still		Georgia Schmitz
<b>Staff:</b>		
Tyler Jordan		Amy Brown
Keith Rowell		Robin Lamm
Eliza Breder		

2. Public Comment – None

3. General Discussion / Updates – None

4. Land Acquisition / New Property Offers:

- Layman Law Firm/Walker Springs Conservation Easement, Jefferson County Consideration of Right of First Refusal on City First Parcel 84 Acres +/-  
Keith Rowell, Surveyor/Mapper presented this item to the Committee.

JONES MADE MOTION TO FORWARD TO FULL BOARD FOR APPROVAL, SECONDED BY SANCHEZ. MOTION CARRIED.

5. Conservation Easement Modification Requests

- Bailey Brothers, Inc. Conservation Easement, Dixie County Consideration of Easement Map Exhibit Update Request. Mr. Rowell presented this item to the Committee.

SANCHEZ MADE MOTION TO FORWARD TO FULL BOARD FOR APPROVAL, SECONDED BY JONES. MOTION CARRIED.

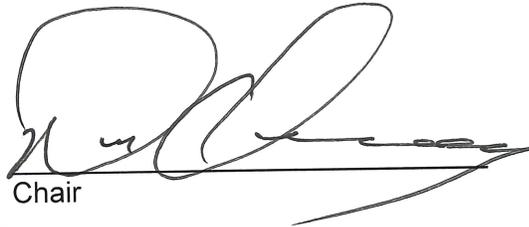
6. Surplus Lands / Updates

- City of Newberry, Alachua County - Consideration of Conveyance Request Wellfield Tract (60 Acres +/-). Mr. Rowell presented this item to the Committee.

JONES MADE MOTION TO TABLE THIS RECOMMENDATION. SECONDED BY ALEXANDER. MOTION CARRIED FOR THIS RECOMMENDATION TO BE TABLED.

7. Announcements. None

8. Adjournment. Meeting adjourned at 10:57 a.m.



Chair

ATTEST:



SUWANNEE RIVER WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT  
GOVERNING BOARD WORKSHOP

Workshop began at 10:57 a.m.

University of Florida/Suwannee Valley Education Center Presentation

Bob Hochmuth, Regional Extension Agent - UF/IFAS, presented a powerpoint on the programs at the Suwannee Valley Agricultural Extension Center

Five-Year Water Resource Development Work Program Presentation

Joel Carnow presented an overview of District's first Five-Year Water Resource Development Work Program. The presentation focused on the purpose as well as the FDEP requirements for the program. This program is required by Florida Statute as a part of District establishing and approving the North Florida Regional Water Supply Plan back in January 2017. The program will be submitted to FDEP and updated annually.