

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

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9:00 a.m., Tuesday
January 8, 2019

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	Sec./Treas.		X
Lower Suwannee Basin	Don Quincey, Jr.		X	
Santa Fe & Wacc. Basins	Kevin W. Brown			X
Upper Suwannee Basin	Alphonas Alexander	Vice Chair	X	
At Large	Virginia H. Johns	Chair	X	
At Large	Virginia Sanchez		X	
At Large	Gary Jones		X	
At Large	Charles Keith		X	

Governing Board Legal Counsel

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

Leadership Team

Position	Name	Present	Not Present
Executive Director	Hugh Thomas	X	
Assistant Executive Director	Darrell Smith	X	
Deputy Executive Director	Tom Mirti	X	
Deputy Executive Director	Steve Minnis	X	
Executive Office & Board Coordinator	Robin Lamm	X	

Guests:

Duane Cannon, Dixie County	Tim Alexander, Dixie County
Federico Boscolo, Cultiva	Stefanie Buchfier, Cultiva
Lucinda Merritt, Ichetucknee Alliance	Ivor Kincaide, Alachua Conservation Trust
Carolee Howe, Shenandoah Dairy	Tom Kay, Alachua Conservation Trust
George Ring, Nestle Waters	Mary Beth Litrico, FDACS
Jon Dinges, Black & Veatch	Cory Mikell, H2O Mobile Lab
Charles Shinn, Florida Farm Bureau	Craig Varn, Manson, Bolves & Varn
Chris Wynn, FWC	Officer Ransom, FWC
Mike Roth, Our Santa Fe River	Steve Gladin
Morgan Westberry, FDEP	Ray Hodge, Southeast Milk
Georgia Schmitz	Merrillee M. Jipson
Jeff Hill	

Staff:

Katelyn Potter
Stephanie Armstrong
Fay Baird
Pam Shaw
Alexandria Blankenship
Lisa Cheshire
Pat Webster
Paul Buchanan
Ryan Sims

Amy Brown
Tilda Musgrove
Leroy Marshall
Ben Glass
Stefani Weeks
Gwen Lord
Edwin McCook
Lindsey Garland

The agenda was amended to include Chair Johns recommendation for a motion from the Board to appoint a Board member as acting Secretary/Treasurer for this meeting due to the absence of Mr. Schwab.

MOTION WAS MADE BY SANCHEZ, SECONDED BY JONES TO APPOINT MR. ALEXANDER AS ACTING SECRETARY/TREASURER FOR THIS MEETING. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

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

Updated:

Agenda Item No. 23 - Approval of Alachua Conservation Trust Management Agreement and Management Plan for J.H. Anderson, Jr., Memorial Park - Rock Bluff Springs Tract

Agenda Item No. 27 - Approval to Amend Contract 15/16-034 with Alliance Grazing Group (Piedmont Farms, Inc.) - Moved to Consent Agenda

Agenda Item No. 4 – Public Comment:

- Mike Roth, Our Santa Fe River – Phosphate mine concerns.
- Jeff Hill – Request payment for damaged pipes, tools, and gate valve. The consensus of the Board was to return the gate valve to Mr. Hill. The District requested a receipt of delivery from Mr. Hill once items is returned.

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

- Agenda Item No. 6 - Approval of Minutes – December 11, 2018 Board Meeting and Tour Minutes
- Agenda Item No. 11 - Approval of November 2018 Financial Report
- Agenda Item No. 12 - Approval of Florida Department of Transportation Mitigation Plan 2019-2023
- Agenda Item No. 13 - Approval of a Modification of Water Use Permit 2-001-218889-3, for Agriculture Use, Alachua County
- Agenda Item No. 14 - Approval of a Modification of Water Use Permit 2-041-221233-2, for Agriculture Use, Gilchrist County
- Agenda Item No. 15 - Approval of a Modification of Water Use Permit 2-041-220632-2, for Agriculture Use, Gilchrist County
- Agenda Item No. 16 - Approval of a Modification of Water Use Permit 2-041-219631-3, for Agriculture Use, Gilchrist County
- Agenda Item No. 20 - Authorization to Execute a Contract for the Sale of Timber with North Florida Timber Inc., for the Roline #1 Timber Sale

- Agenda Item No. 21 - Authorization to Execute a Contract for the Sale of Timber with John Cruce, for the Withlacoochee #3 Timber Sale
- Agenda Item No. 22 - Authorization to Execute a Contract for the Sale of Timber with Genesis Timber, for the Cabbage Creek #1 Timber Sale
- Agenda Item No 27 - Approval to Amend Contract 15/16-034 with Alliance Grazing Group (Piedmont Farms, Inc.) – **UPDATED**

Mr. Williams publicly announced a conflict of interest and abstained from voting on this agenda item. The Conflict of Interest Form was completed and signed by Mr. Williams. This form is hereby made part of these minutes and is filed in the permanent Governing Board meeting minutes files of the District.

MOTION WAS MADE BY SANCHEZ, SECONDED BY JONES TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY WITH WILLIAMS ABSTAINING.

Agenda Item No. 6 – Approval of Minutes - December 11, 2018 Board Meeting and Tour Minutes. Approved on Consent.

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

- Fay Baird gave a presentation of hydrologic conditions of the District.
- Cooperating Agencies and Organizations – None
- Service Recognition – Darrell Smith recognized Lisa Cheshire for 30 years of service with the District.

GOVERNING BOARD LEGAL COUNSEL

Agenda Item No. 8 – Legal Activities Update. Tom Reeves updated the Board on the Alligator Creek Contractor dispute, Hill Court Case, and Brown Court Case.

BUSINESS AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

Agenda Item No. 9 – Land Acquisition and Disposition Activity Report. This report was provided as an informational item in the Board materials.

Agenda Item No. 10 – Permitting Summary Report. This report was provided as an informational item in the Board materials.

Agenda Item No. 11 – Approval of November 2018 Financial Report. Approved on Consent.

Agenda Item No. 12 – Approval of Florida Department of Transportation Mitigation Plan 2019-2023. Approved on Consent.

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WATER AND LAND RESOURCES

Agenda Item No. 17 - District Land Management & Twin River State Forest (TRSF) Activity Summary. This summary was provided as an informational item in the Board materials.

Agenda Item No. 18 – Agricultural Monitoring Report. This report was provided as an informational item in the Board materials.

Agenda Item No. 19 - Fiscal Year 2018 Annual Land Management Report. This report was provided as an informational item in the Board materials.

Agenda Item No. 20 – Authorization to Execute a Contract for the Sale of Timber with North Florida Timber, Inc., for the Roline #1 Timber Sale. Approved on Consent.

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Agenda Item No. 23 – Approval of Alachua Conservation Trust Management Agreement and Management Plan for J.H. Anderson, Jr., Memorial Park - Rock Bluff Springs Tract. Bill McKinstry, Land Management Program Manager, presented this item to the Board.

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

ASSISTANT EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Agenda Item No. 24 – **Public Hearing** and Acceptance of the 2019 Strategic Plan Update and 2018 Strategic Plan Work Plan Report. Katelyn Potter, Communications Director, presented this item to the Board.

Chair Johns opened Public Hearing regarding the Acceptance of the 2019 Strategic Plan. Update and 2018 Strategic Plan Work Plan Report

Chair Johns opened the floor for Public Comments. No comments from Public.
Chair Johns opened the floor for Board comments. No comments from the Board.
Chair Johns closed the Public Hearing.

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

Agenda Item No. 25 – **Public Hearing** and Acceptance of the 2019 Florida Forever Work Plan Update. Mrs. Potter presented this item to the Board.

Chair Johns opened Public Hearing regarding the Acceptance of the 2019 Florida Forever Work Plan Update.

Chair Johns opened the floor for Public Comments. No comments from Public.

Chair Johns opened the floor for Board comments. No comments from the Board.

Chair Johns closed the Public Hearing.

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

Agenda Item No. 26 – Approval to Enter into an Agreement with One Agricultural Producer to Implement Precision Agriculture Practices. Ben Glass, Communication Affairs Manager, presented this item to the Board.

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

Agenda Item No. 27 - Approval to Amend Contract 15/16-034 with Alliance Grazing Group (Piedmont Farms, Inc.) – **UPDATED.** Approved on Consent.

EXECUTIVE OFFICE

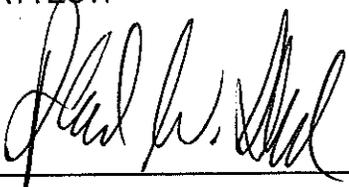
Agenda Item No. 28 - District's Weekly Activity Reports. These reports were provided as an informational item in the Board materials.

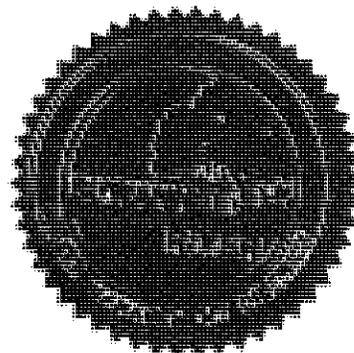
Agenda Item No. 29 - Announcements. Mr. Thomas updated the Board on District activities.

Agenda Item No. 30 - Adjournment. Meeting adjourned at 10:45 a.m.


Chair

ATTEST:





SUWANNEE RIVER WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT
GOVERNING BOARD WORKSHOP

Workshop began at 10:46 a.m.

Steinhatchee MFL Discussion

David Christian, Professional Engineer, presented a powerpoint presentation on the Steinhatchee MFL and how it is being developed.

Monitor Well Improvement Project Update

Tom Mirti, Deputy Executive Director, presented a powerpoint presentation regarding the Monitor Well Improvement Project status.

Workshop adjourned at 11:22 a.m.