

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

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9:00 a.m., Tuesday
April 9, 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.	X	

Leadership Team

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

Guests:

Gabrielle Redfern, City of Live Oak	Tripp Lancaster, City of Fanning Springs
Katye Hughes, Town of Fort White	Andy Townsend, City of Live Oak
Sara Owen, City of Lake Butler	Tony Hammond, City of Archer
Rebecca Perry, North Florida Land Trust	Charles Barnett, UF/IFAS
Bob White, NFPS, Inc.	Chad McCormick, NFPS, Inc.
Cory Mikell, H2O Mobile Lab	Charles Shinn, Farm Bureau
Debra Preble, Kimley Horn	Greg Lang, Mittaur & Associates, Inc.
John Locklear, Locklear & Associates	Mary Beth Litrico, FDACS
Morgan Westberry, FDEP	Matthew Kershner, FDEP
Jim Maher, FDEP	Craig Varn, Manson, Bolves & Varn
Kevin Wright, Generation Farms	Carolee Howe, Shenandoah Dairy
Mike Kern, SECF	Mike Roth, Our Santa Fe River
Sara Gardner, Bob's River Place	Bob Hawkins, Bob's River Place
Walter Rowell, Rowell Farms	Steve Bryant, FSBR

Adams Collins, ACE, Inc.
Steve Gladin
Jeff Hill
Jillian Ross
Aline Kazokas
Howard Mastroberti
John Bamford

Kent Wimmer, Defenders of Wildlife
Merrilee M. Jipson
Lauren Clendening
Tanya Chapell
Chris Fox
Jay Bushnell
Mary Fleming

Staff:

Tyler Jordan
Jamie Gaylord
Ben Glass
Justin Garland
Gwen Lord
Leroy Marshall
Steve Schroder
Andrew Neel
Pam Shaw
Kris Eskelin

Lisa Cheshire
Junior Staats
Mary Diaz
Katelyn Potter
Pennie Flickinger
Pat Webster
Henry Richardson
Paul Buchanan
Kevin Flavin

Agenda Item No. 3 - Board Committees Discussion:

MOTION WAS MADE BY SANCHEZ TO ADD MR. QUINCEY TO THE LANDS COMMITTEE, SECONDED BY BROWN TO APPROVE THE RECOMMENDATION. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Agenda Item No. 4 - Announcement of any Amendments to the Agenda by the Chair:

Deletion:

Agenda Item 20 – Business and Community Services - Approval to Enter into Contract with an Agriculture Producer to Provide Water Conservation Cost-Share Funding

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

Agenda Item No. 5 – Public Comment.

- Carolee Howe, Shenandoah Dairy – Remember the science behind District decisions.
- Mike Roth, Our Santa Fe River – Thanks for the Land Management Review tour.
- Mike Kern – Rock Bluff Springs Development concerns.
- Aline Kazokas - Rock Bluff Spring Management Plan concerns and flooding issues.
- Jeff Hill – Request payment of damaged pipe and land.
- Tripp Lancaster, City of Fanning Springs – Thanks for Springs Projects recommendations.

Agenda Item No. 6 - Consideration of the Following Items Collectively by Consent:

- Agenda Item No. 7 - Approval of Minutes – March 12, 2019 Board Meeting, Workshops, and Lands Committee Minutes
- Agenda Item No. 11 - Approval of February 2019 Financial Report

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

Agenda Item No. 7 – March 12, 2019 Board Meeting, Workshops, and Lands Committee Minutes.
Approved on consent.

Agenda Item No. 8 - Items of General Interest for Information/Cooperating Agencies and Organizations.

- Faye Baird gave a presentation of hydrologic conditions of the District.
- Cooperating Agencies and Organizations – None
- Staff Recognition – Tom Mirti recognized Henry Richardson for 10 years of service with the District.

GOVERNING BOARD LEGAL COUNSEL

Agenda Item No. 9 – Legal Activities Update. Tom Reeves, Board Legal Counsel, updated the Board on the closing of the Brown Case.

BUSINESS AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

Legislative and Governmental Program

Agenda Item No. 10 – Land Acquisition and Disposition Activity Report. This report was provided as an informational item in the Board materials.

Office of Finance

Agenda Item No. 11 – Approval of February 2019 Financial Report. Approved on consent.

Agenda Item No. 12 – Declaration of Surplus Property and Disposition. Pam Shaw, Chief Financial Officer, presented this item to the Board.

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

Item No. 13 – Authorization to Amend Contract Number 18/19-140, with Department of Homeland Security Federal Emergency Management Agency for Reimbursement of Costs Associated with Hurricane Irma. Ms. Shaw presented this item to the Board.

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

Office of Information Technology

No items.

Resource Management

Agenda Item No. 14 – Permitting Summary Report. This report was provided as an informational item in the Board materials.

Agenda Item No. 15 – Approval of Final Order 19-0002 for Individual Environmental Resource Permit and State Lands Application Number ERP-029-214825-8, Hawkins Project, Dixie County. Leroy Marshall, Chief Professional Engineer, presented this item to the Board.

The following attendees provided comments to the Board:

Adam Collins, ACE, Inc.
Tanya Chapel
Chris Fox

Robert Hawkins, Bob's River Place
Howard Mastroberti
Mike Roth

MOTION WAS MADE BY SCHWAB, SECONDED BY SANCHEZ TO APPROVE THE RECOMMENDATION WITH AN ADDITION REQUIREMENT OF ITEM NUMBER 15 ADDED TO FINAL ORDER AND MODIFICATION OF CONDITION 28 ON THE PERMIT TO INCLUDE THAT ALL ACTIVITIES IN THE PERMIT SHALL BE COMPLETED NO LATER THAN THREE YEARS FROM THE DATE OF THIS FINAL ORDER. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Agenda Item No. 16 – Approval of Modification of Individual Environmental Resource Permit and Submerged State Lands Application Number ERP-029-214825-8, Hawkins Project, Dixie County. Mr. Marshall presented this item to the Board.

MOTION WAS MADE BY JONES, SECONDED BY SANCHEZ TO APPROVE THE RECOMMENDATION WITH AN ADDITIONAL SPECIAL LIMITING CONDITION TO INCLUDE DEED RESTRICTION LANGUAGE AND OBTAINING A SUBMERGED STATE LANDS LEASE. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Agriculture and Environmental Projects

Agenda Item No. 17 – Approval to Submit Springs Funding Applications to the Florida Department of Environmental Protection. Pat Webster, Chief Professional Engineer, presented this item to the Board.

The following attendees provided comments to the Board:

Sara Odom, City of Lake Butler
Tony Hammond, Archer City Manager

John Locklear, Locklear & Associates, Inc.
Gabrielle Redfern, City of Live Oak

MOTION WAS MADE BY SCHWAB, SECONDED BY BROWN, TO APPROVE THE RECOMMENDATION WITH THE REMOVAL OF THE LYME TIMBER PROJECT. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Board Member Kevin Brown left the Board meeting.

Walter Rowell, Rowell Farms, provided comments to the Board.

Agenda Items No. 18 and 19 were approved as one item by the Board.

Agenda Item No. 18 – Authorization to Revise the Agricultural Cost-Share Program. Justin Garland, Engineer, presented this item to the Board

Agenda Item No. 19 - Approval to Enter into Contract with an Agriculture Producer to Provide Water Conservation Cost-Share Funding.

MOTION WAS MADE BY SCHWAB, SECONDED BY ALEXANDER TO APPROVE AGENDA ITEMS 18 AND 19 RECOMMENDATIONS. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Agenda Item No. 20 - Approval to Enter into Contract with an Agriculture Producer to Provide Water Conservation Cost-Share Funding - DELETED

WATER AND LAND RESOURCES

Land Management Program

Agenda Item No. 21 - District Land Management & Twin River State Forest (TRSF) Activity Summary. This summary was provided as an informational item in the Board materials.

Water Resources Program

Agenda Item No. 22 – Agricultural Monitoring Report. This report was provided as an informational item in the Board materials.

Agenda Item No. 23 – Authorization to Purchase Campbell Scientific Dataloggers. Tom Mirti, Deputy Executive Director, presented this item to the Board.

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

Water Supply / MFL Programs

No Items.

EXECUTIVE OFFICE

Agenda Item No. 24 – Qualitative Study Results. This agenda item was moved to May Board meeting.

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. Mr. Thomas updated the Board on District activities.

Agenda Item No. 27 - Adjournment. Meeting adjourned at 1:08 p.m.


Chair

ATTEST:





SUWANNEE RIVER WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT
GOVERNING BOARD WORKSHOP

The Board Workshops were moved to May Board Meeting.

Land Acquisition and Surplus Triage Discussion

Minimum Flows and Levels Rules Review

AUDIT COMMITTEE TELECONFERENCE MEETING

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1. Call to Order / Committee Roll Call. Meeting began at 1:13 p.m.

Committee Members	Present	Not Present
Don Quincey	X	
Virginia Johns	X	
Richard Schwab	X	

Board Members Williams, Alexander, Sanchez, Jones, and Keith also attended the Audit Committee Meeting.

2. Public Comment. None

3. Discussion Items:

Acceptance of Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Financial Audit Report. Richard Powell, Powell & Jones, presented the 2017-2018 Financial Audit Report to the Committee.

MOTION WAS MADE BY SCHWAB TO SEND THE 2017-2018 FINANCIAL AUDIT REPORT TO BOARD FOR APPROVAL. SECONDED BY QUINCEY. MOTION CARRIED.

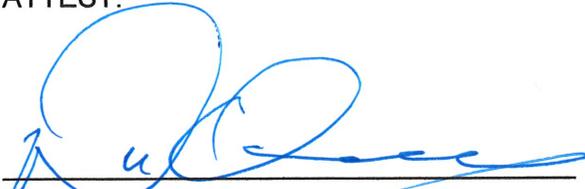
4. Announcements: None

5. Adjournment. Meeting adjourned at 1:31 p.m.



Chair

ATTEST:





LAND COMMITTEE MEETING

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Kevin Brown		X
Gary Jones	X	
Don Quincey	X	
Virginia Sanchez	X	
Bradley Williams	X	

-Mr. Quincey was acting Chair at the Lands Committee meeting.

Board Members Schwab, Johns, and Keith also attended the Lands Committee Meeting.

2. Public Comment. None

General Discussion – Updates

3. Governing Board Directive 19-0001 - Water Resource Guidelines for Acquisition and Surplus of Lands. Steve Minnis, Deputy Executive Director, presented this item to the Committee.

JONES MADE MOTION TO SENT TO FULL BOARD FOR APPROVAL. SECONDED BY WILLIAMS. MOTION CARRIED.

4. Governing Board Directive 19-0002 – Conservation Easements Amendment Guidelines
Mr. Minnis presented this item to the Committee.

JONES MADE MOTION TO SENT TO FULL BOARD FOR APPROVAL WITH SUGGESTED CHANGES ADDED TO THE DIRECTIVE. SECONDED BY SANCHEZ. MOTION CARRIED.

5. Land Acquisition / Property Offers. None

6. Conservation Easement Modification Requests. None

7. Surplus Lands. None

8. Announcements. None

9. Adjournment. Meeting adjourned at 2:03 p. m.

ATTEST:




Chair

