

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

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9:00 a.m., Tuesday
June 11, 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.	Vice-Chair	X	
Santa Fe & Wacc. Basins	Kevin W. Brown		X	
Upper Suwannee Basin	Vacant		--	--
At Large	Virginia H. Johns	Chair	X	
At Large	Virginia Sanchez		X	
At Large	Gary Jones			X
At Large	Vacant		--	--

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:

Phil Horning, FFWCC	Carolee Howe, Shenandoah Dairy
Mary Beth Litrico, FDACS	Craig Varn, Manson Bolves & Varn
Cory Mikell, H2O Mobile Lab	Greg Harden, Florida Farm Bureau
Bob Moresi, Black & Veatch	Morgan Westberry, FDEP
Glenn Horvath, FDACS	Charles Shinn, Florida Farm Bureau
Mike Roth, Our Santa Fe River	Todd McNew, The Conservation Fund
Daniel Hronec, FPL	Rebecca Perry, North Florida Land Trust
Steve Gladin	Jeff Hill
Georgia Schmitz	Merrilee M. Jipson

Staff:

Katelyn Potter	Warren Zwanka
Stefani Weeks	Fay Baird
Tyler Jordan	Tilda Musgrove
Louis Mantini	Pam Shaw
Kevin Flavin	Pat Webster
Steve Schroeder	Bill McKinstry
Leroy Marshall	Amy Brown
Christina Green	John Good
Katie Kelly	Lindsey Garland

Agenda Item No. 3 - Board Committee Assignment - (Executive Director Evaluation Committee)
Chair Johns asked for a nomination to the Executive Director Evaluation Committee.

MOTION WAS MADE BY SCHWAB TO NOMINATE MR. BROWN TO THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR EVALUATION COMMITTEE. SECONDED BY SANCHEZ. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Agenda Item No. 4 - Announcement of any Amendments to the Agenda by the Chair: None

Agenda Item No. 5 – Public Comment.

- Mike Roth – Our Santa Fe River, Septic and Agriculture concerns.
- Merrilee M. Jipson – Toll road concerns in our District.

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

- Agenda Item No. 7 - May 14, 2019 Governing Board and Workshops Minutes
- Agenda Item No. 13 - Approval of April Financial Report
- Agenda Item No. 15 - Authorization to Amend Contract 16/17-082 with Powell and Jones CPA, PA, for Audit Services
- Agenda Item No. 19 - Approval of a Modification of Water Use Permit 2-041-220785-2, for Agriculture Use, William A. Smith, Jr. Project, Gilchrist County
- Agenda Item No. 20 - Approval of a Modification of Water Use Permit 2-075-219982-3, for Agriculture Use, James Swilley Farm Project, Levy County
- Agenda Item No. 21 - Approval of a Modification of Water Use Permit 2-075-220014-3, for Agriculture Use, Thomas Brookins Project, Levy County

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

Agenda Item No. 7 – Approval of Minutes – May 14, 2019 Governing Board Meeting and Workshop Minutes. Approved on Consent.

Agenda Item No. 8 - 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 – FWC Derelict Vessel Presentation. Phil Horning, FFWCC, provided a presentation to the Board.

GOVERNING BOARD LEGAL COUNSEL

Agenda Item No. 9 – Legal Activities Update. Tom Reeves, Board Legal Counsel, updated the Board on the Midyette Enforcement. Board recommended staff contact Mr. Midyette and provide evidence of payment.

BUSINESS AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

Legislative and Governmental Affairs

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

Agenda Item No. 11 – **Public Hearing** and Approval of Resolution Number 2019-02 Authorizing the Donation of the Steinhatchee Falls Addition – Citizen State Bank Tract, in Taylor County and Authorizing the Use of Funds from the Florida Forever Trust Fund for a Portion of the Acquisition Costs. Steve Minnis, Deputy Executive Director, presented this item to the Board.

Chair Johns opened Public Hearing regarding the Approval of Resolution Number 2019-02 Authorizing the Donation of the Steinhatchee Falls Addition – Citizen State Bank Tract, in Taylor County and Authorizing the Use of Funds from the Florida Forever Trust Fund for a Portion of the Acquisition Costs.

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

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

Chair Johns closed the Public Hearing.

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

Office of Finance

Agenda Item No. 12 – FY 20 Tentative Budget. Christina Green, Senior Budget and Fiscal Analyst, provided a powerpoint update on the FY 20 Tentative Budget.

Agenda Item No. 13 – Approval of April 2019 Financial Report. Approved on Consent.

Agenda Item No. 14 – Approval of Resolution 2019-01 Updating Classification of the Fiscal Year 2019 Reserves. Pam Shaw, Chief Financial Officer, presented this item to the Board.

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

Agenda Item No. 15 – Authorization to Amend Contract 16/17-082 with Powell and Jones CPA, PA, for Audit Services. Approved on Consent.

Agenda Item No. 16 – Authorization to Amend Contract 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 SCHWAB, SECONDED BY WILLIAMS TO APPROVE THE RECOMMENDATION. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Agenda Item No. 17 – Authorization to Enter into Contract with Cortez Heating and Air, Inc., for Heating, Ventilation and Air Conditioning (HVAC) Maintenance and Repair. Ms. Shaw presented this item to the Board and informed the Board that this contract would be from July 2019 through September 30, 2021.

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

Office of Information Technology

No Items

Resource Management

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

Agenda Item No. 19 – Approval of a Modification of Water Use Permit 2-041-220785-2, for Agriculture Use, William A. Smith, Jr. Project, Gilchrist County. Approved on Consent.

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Agriculture and Environmental Projects

No Items

WATER AND LAND RESOURCES

Land Management Program

Agenda Item No. 22 - 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. 23 - Authorization to Execute a Contract for the Sale of Timber with Big Bend Timber Services, LLC, for the Westwood West #3 Timber Sale. Bill McKinstry, Land Management Chief, presented this item to the Board.

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

Water Resources Program

Agenda Item No. 24 – Agricultural Monitoring Report. This report was provided as an informational item in the Board materials.

Agenda Item No. 25 – Suwannee River Water Management District 2015 Annual Groundwater Use Report. Tom Mirti, Deputy Executive Director, provided a powerpoint on this item.

Agenda Item No. 26 – Lower Santa Fe and Ichetucknee Rivers and Priority Springs – Water Year 2018 Minimum Flows and Minimum Water Levels Status. John Good, Chief Professional Engineer, provided an update on this item.

Merrilee M. Jipson provided comments to the Board.

EXECUTIVE OFFICE

Agenda Item No. 27 - District's Weekly Activity Reports. These reports were provided as an informational item in the Board materials.

Agenda Item No. 28 – Approval of Governing Board Directive 19-0004, Guidelines for Managing District-Related Online Content. Katelyn Potter, Communications Chief, presented this item to the Board.

Steve Gladin provided comments to the Board.

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

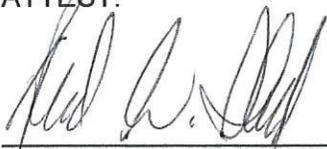
Agenda Item No. 29 - Announcements. Mr. Thomas updated the Board on District activities.

Agenda Item No. 30 - Adjournment. Meeting adjourned at 11:40 a.m.



Chair

ATTEST:





SUWANNEE RIVER WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

GOVERNING BOARD WORKSHOP

Workshop began at 12:02 p.m.

River Regulations Discussion

Tom Reeves, Board Legal Counsel, provided a presentation regarding rules and regulations regarding derelict vessels and rules of the river.

River Clean-Up Social Media Campaign

Lindsey Garland, Public Communications Coordinator, provided a presentation regarding the river clean-up media campaign.

Online Content Management Discussion. **Deleted**

LAND COMMITTEE MEETING

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June 11, 2019
Following Board Meeting

District Headquarters
Live Oak, FL

1. Call to Order / Committee Roll Call. Meeting began at 1:19 p.m.

Committee Members	Present	Not Present
Kevin Brown (Chair)	X	
Gary Jones		X
Don Quincey	X	
Virginia Sanchez	X	
Bradley Williams	X	

-Chair Johns attended the Lands Committee Meeting.

2. Public Comment. None

General Discussion / Updates

3. Gulf Power Presentation. Daniel Hronec, Florida Power & Light, provided a presentation on North Florida Resiliency Connection.

Land Acquisition / New Property Offers

4. Rocky Creek Acquisition – Hamilton County. Authorization to Commence Detailed Assessment and Negotiations with Molpus Woodlands Group on the Purchase of the Rocky Creek Tract, Hamilton County. Bob Heeke, Senior Project Manager, presented this recommendation to the Committee.

MOTION WAS MADE BY QUINCEY, SECONDED BY WILLIAMS TO TABLE THIS ITEM UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE. MOTION CARRIED.

5. Lyme Gilchrist Sandlin Bay Swap – Gilchrist and Columbia Counties. Authorization to Commence Detailed Assessment and Negotiations with Lyme Timber Company and The Conservation Fund on the Exchange of the Sandlin Bay Tract, Gilchrist County. Mr. Heeke presented this recommendation to the Committee.

Todd McNew, The Conservation Fund, provided comments to the Committee.

MOTION WAS MADE BY QUINCEY, SECONDED BY SANCHEZ FOR THE LANDS COMMITTEE TO HAVE SPENDING AUTHORITY UP TO \$30,000 BEFORE GOING TO GOVERNING BOARD AND TO REVISE GOVERNING BOARD DIRECTIVE 19-0001 ACCORDINGLY. MOTION CARRIED.

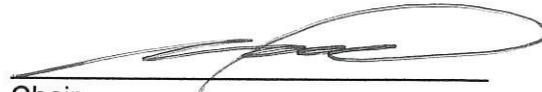
Conservation Easement Modification Requests. None

Surplus Lands

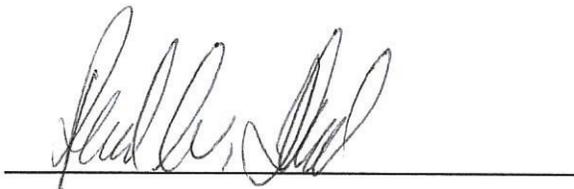
6. Country Club Road – Columbia County - Reaffirmation of Surplus and Approval of Revised Surplus Plan – Country Club Road Parcels, 80 Acres +/-, Columbia County. Steve Schroeder presented this recommendation to the Committee.

MOTION WAS MADE BY SANCHEZ, SECONDED BY WILLIAMS TO REAFFIRM THE SURPLUS AND APPROVE THE REVISED SURPLUS PLAN – COUNTRY CLUB ROAD PARCELS, 80 ACRES +/-, COLUMBIA COUNTY. MOTION CARRIED.

7. Announcements. None
8. Adjournment. Meeting adjourned at 3:31 p. m.


Chair

ATTEST:





EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR EVALUATION / PERFORMANCE COMMITTEE MEETING
TELECONFERENCE

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June 27, 2019
9:30 a.m. Teleconference

District Headquarters
Live Oak, FL

- Call to Order / Committee Roll Call. Meeting began at 9:35 a. m.

Committee Members	Present	Not Present
Virginia Johns (Chair)	X	
Richard Schwab		X*
Kevin Brown	X	
Staff		
Robin Lamm	X	
Hugh Thomas	X	

*Mr. Schwab submitted his completed evaluation form to the Committee.

- Public Comment. None
- General Discussion

Executive Director Evaluation Discussion

The Committee discussed the topics on the SRWMD Executive Director Performance Evaluation form. Committee Members provide feedback on each topic listed on the form. These forms have been sent to Hugh Thomas employment personnel file.

Ranking by Committee Members

Committee Member	Ranking
Johns	5.0
Brown	4.2
Schwab	4.8

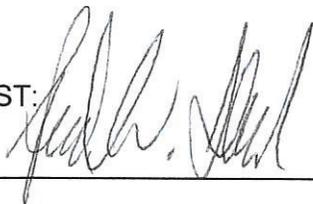
JOHNS MADE A MOTION, SECONDED BY BROWN TO FORWARD TO FULL BOARD FOR APPROVAL OF EVALUATION. MOTION CARRIED.

- Adjournment. Meeting adjourned at 9:59 a. m.



Chair

ATTEST:


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