

**NORTHWEST FLORIDA WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT
GOVERNING BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

**District Headquarters
81 Water Management Drive
Havana, FL 32333**

**Thursday
January 12, 2017**

Governing Board Members Present

George Roberts, Chairman
John W. Alter, Secretary-Treasurer
Gus Andrews
Jon Costello
Marc Dunbar
Ted Everett
Bo Spring

Governing Board Members Absent

Jerry Pate, Vice Chairman
Nick Patronis

1. Opening Ceremonies

Governing Board Chairman George Roberts called the meeting to order at 1:01 p.m.
Brett Cyphers called the roll and a quorum was declared present.

2. Additions, Deletions or Changes to the Agenda

There were no additions, deletions or changes to the agenda.

3. Approval of the Minutes for December 8, 2016

MOTIONED BY TED EVERETT, SECONDED BY JON COSTELLO, THAT THE GOVERNING BOARD APPROVE THE MINUTES FOR DECEMBER 8, 2016. NO PUBLIC COMMENT WAS GIVEN. MOTION CARRIED.

4. Approval of the Financial Reports for the Month of November 2016

MOTIONED BY BO SPRING, SECONDED BY GUS ANDREWS, THAT THE GOVERNING BOARD APPROVE THE FINANCIAL REPORTS FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER 2016. NO PUBLIC COMMENT WAS GIVEN. MOTION CARRIED.

5. Committee Reports and Recommendations for Board Action

Lands Committee:

Consideration of Invitation to Bid 17B-006; Choctawhatchee River 2017 Devils Swamp Thinning Timber Sale

MOTIONED BY GUS ANDREWS, SECONDED BY JOHN W. ALTER, THAT THE GOVERNING BOARD APPROVE THE BIDS SUBMITTED IN RESPONSE TO INVITATION TO BID 17B-006 AND AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT FOR THIS TIMBER SALE WITH THE HIGH BIDDER DEERPOINT TIMBER PRODUCTS, INC., AT THE BID PRICES OF \$6.00 PER TON FOR PINE PULPWOOD; \$19.00 PER TON FOR PINE CHIP-N-SAW; AND \$30.00 PER TON FOR PINE SAW TIMBER. NO PUBLIC COMMENT WAS GIVEN. MOTION CARRIED.

Consideration of Invitation to Bid 17B-007; 2017 Econfinia Creek Sand Pine Timber Sale

MOTIONED BY GUS ANDREWS, SECONDED BY TED EVERETT, THAT THE GOVERNING BOARD APPROVE THE BIDS SUBMITTED IN RESPONSE TO INVITATION TO BID 17B-007 AND AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT FOR THIS TIMBER SALE WITH THE HIGH BIDDER, DEERPOINT TIMBER PRODUCTS, INC., AT THE BID PRICE OF \$15.80 PER TON. NO PUBLIC COMMENT WAS GIVEN. MOTION CARRIED.

Consideration of Donation of Canoes from the Southwest Florida Water Management District

MOTIONED BY GUS ANDREWS, SECONDED BY JON COSTELLO, THAT THE GOVERNING BOARD APPROVE THE RECEIPT OF UP TO 12 CANOES DONATED BY THE SOUTHWEST FLORIDA WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT. NO PUBLIC COMMENT WAS GIVEN. MOTION CARRIED.

6. Consideration of Invitation to Bid 17B-005 Mystic Spring Forested Wetland Planting

MOTIONED BY BO SPRING, SECONDED BY JON COSTELLO, THAT THE GOVERNING BOARD ACCEPT THE BID OF \$37,737 FROM EARTHBALANCE TO SUPPLY AND INSTALL MIXED FORESTED WETLAND TREES AT THE MYSTIC SPRINGS RESTORATION SITE AND AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH EARTHBALANCE FOR THESE SERVICES. NO PUBLIC COMMENT WAS GIVEN. MOTION CARRIED.

7. Consideration of Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Preliminary Budget

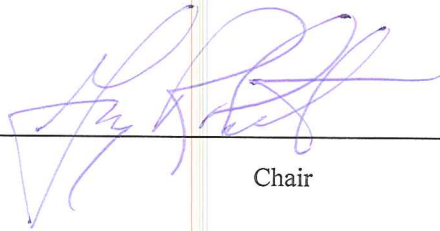
MOTIONED BY BO SPRING, SECONDED BY JOHN W. ALTER, THAT THE GOVERNING BOARD APPROVE THE FISCAL YEAR 2017-2018 PRELIMINARY BUDGET AS PRESENTED AND ALLOW STAFF TO SUBMIT THE FINAL DOCUMENT TO THE LEGISLATURE BY JANUARY 15, 2017. NO PUBLIC COMMENT WAS GIVEN. MOTION CARRIED.

8. Legal Counsel Report

Breck Brannen provided an update to the report on page 31 of the January 12, 2017, board folder, regarding the case referenced below. Administrative Law Judge Bram D. E. Canter canceled the final hearing and placed the case in abeyance.

CGUPS, LLC, Steven Cox, and Claudia Cox, Petitioners v. Northwest Florida Water Management District and Florida Department of Transportation, Respondents, DOAH Case No. 16-4691

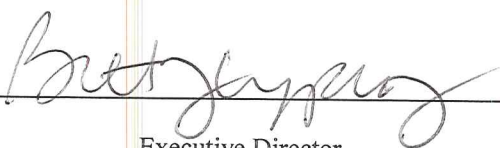
Meeting was adjourned at 1:22 p.m.



Chair

February 9, 2017

Date



Executive Director



Agency Clerk

