Northwest Florida Water Management District Governing Board Meeting Minutes

Thursday, August 9, 2018

District Headquarters

81 Water Management Drive, Havana, Florida 32333

1. Opening Ceremonies

Governing Board Chairman George Roberts called the meeting to order at 1:04 p.m.

Brett Cyphers called the roll and a quorum was declared present.

Present: George Roberts, Chair; John Alter, Secretary-Treasurer; Gus Andrews; Jon Costello; Nick Patronis; Bo Spring

Absent: Jerry Pate, Vice Chair; Marc Dunbar; Ted Everett

2. Special Thanks and Recognition

None.

3. Additions, Deletions and Changes to the Agenda

None.

4. Approval of the Minutes for July 12, 2018

MOTIONED BY JON COSTELLO, SECONDED BY GUS ANDREWS, THAT THE GOVERNING BOARD APPROVE THE MINUTES FOR JULY 12, 2018. NO PUBLIC COMMENT WAS GIVEN. MOTION CARRIED.

5. Approval of the Financial Reports for the Month of June 2018

MOTIONED BY GUS ANDREWS, SECONDED BY JOHN ALTER, THAT THE GOVERNING BOARD APPROVE THE FINANCIAL REPORTS FOR THE MONTH OF JUNE 2018. NO PUBLIC COMMENT WAS GIVEN. MOTION CARRIED.

6. Committee Reports and Recommendations for Board Action

Asset Management Committee:

Consideration of ITB 18B-009 for 2018 Site Prep Herbicide Treatment

MOTIONED BY NICK PATRONIS, SECONDED BY BO SPRING, THAT THE GOVERNING BOARD APPROVE THE BIDS FOR THE 2018 SITE PREP HERBICIDE TREATMENT PROJECT AND AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO EXECUTE A PURCHASE ORDER WITH BACK FORTY SOLUTIONS, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$105,295.38 TO FACILITATE THIS WORK. NO PUBLIC COMMENT WAS GIVEN. MOTION CARRIED.

Consideration of Contract Renewal with Kountry Rentals for Rental and Service of Portable Toilets and Maintenance and Servicing of Composting Toilets in Bay, Liberty, Walton and Washington Counties

MOTIONED BY NICK PATRONIS, SECONDED BY GUS ANDREWS, THAT THE GOVERNING BOARD RENEW THE CONTRACT WITH KOUNTRY RENTAL NWF, INC. FOR A THREE-YEAR TERM FOR RENTAL AND SERVICE OF PORTABLE TOILETS AND MAINTENANCE AND SERVICING OF COMPOSTING TOILETS IN BAY, LIBERTY, WALTON AND WASHINGTON COUNTIES FOR \$271,440, SUBJECT TO APPROVAL OF THE FISCAL YEARS 2018-2019, 2019-20 AND 2020-21 BUDGETS. NO PUBLIC COMMENT WAS GIVEN. MOTION CARRIED.

Consideration of Additional Digital Storage Purchase

MOTIONED BY NICK PATRONIS, SECONDED BY JON COSTELLO, THAT THE GOVERNING BOARD APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF ADDITIONAL DIGITAL STORAGE RESOURCES THROUGH A STATE CONTRACT PURCHASE WITHIN THE CURRENT BUDGET. NO PUBLIC COMMENT WAS GIVEN. MOTION CARRIED.

Audit Committee:

Consideration of RFP 18-005 for Independent Auditing Services

MOTIONED BY JOHN ALTER, SECONDED BY JON COSTELLO, THAT THE GOVERNING BOARD APPROVE THE AUDIT COMMITTEE'S RANKINGS AND AUTHORIZE STAFF TO NEGOTIATE A CONTRACT WITH THE TOP-RANKED FIRM, JAMES MOORE & COMPANY, FOR THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S SIGNATURE, HAVING A BASE TERM OF FIVE YEARS WITH OPTIONS TO RENEW FOR THREE ADDITIONAL ONE-YEAR TERMS, CONTINGENT UPON APPROVAL OF ANNUAL DISTRICT BUDGETS. NO PUBLIC COMMENT WAS GIVEN. MOTION CARRIED.

7. Request for Release of Fiscal Year 2018-2019 State Appropriations

MOTIONED BY BO SPRING, SECONDED BY JON COSTELLO, THAT THE GOVERNING BOARD ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 837 TO REQUEST THE SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION TO RELEASE FUNDS FROM THE GENERAL REVENUE FUND IN THE AMOUNT OF \$5,211,231 AND FROM THE LAND ACQUISITION TRUST FUND IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,421,000. NO PUBLIC COMMENT WAS GIVEN. MOTION CARRIED.

8. Request for Authorization to Undergo Rule Development on Chapters 40A-21, 40A-44, and 40A-8, F.A.C.

MOTIONED BY JON COSTELLO, SECONDED BY GUS ANDREWS, THAT THE GOVERNING BOARD APPROVE INITIATION OF RULE DEVELOPMENT ON CHAPTER 40A-21, FLORIDA ADMINISTRATIVE CODE, WATER SHORTAGE PLAN; CHAPTER 40A-44, F.A.C., REGULATION OF AGRICULTURAL AND FORESTRY SURFACE WATER MANAGEMENT PROJECTS; AND ESTABLISH CHAPTER 40A-8, F.A.C., MINIMUM FLOWS AND MINIMUM WATER LEVELS, DURING THE NEXT TWELVE MONTHS AND APPROVE INCLUDING THE FOLLOWING PROPOSED RULEMAKING ITEMS IN THE 2018-2019 ANNUAL REGULATORY PLAN PURSUANT TO SECTION 120.74, FLORIDA STATUTES. NO PUBLIC COMMENT WAS GIVEN. MOTION CARRIED.

9. Public Hearing on Consideration of Regulatory Matters

Chair George Roberts called the public hearing to order at 1:13 p.m.

Item A-1: Withdrawn per applicant's request.

MOTIONED BY NICK PATRONIS, SECONDED BY JOHN ALTER, THAT THE GOVERNING BOARD APPROVE THE MODIFICATION TO WATER USE PERMIT 2B-131-3670-14, FLORIDA COMMUNITY SERVICES OF WALTON COUNTY, PER THE RECOMMENDATIONS AND CONDITIONS OF THE STAFF REPORTS AND PER THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE PERMIT DOCUMENTS. GUS ANDREWS ABSTAINED FROM VOTING. NO PUBLIC COMMENT WAS GIVEN. MOTION CARRIED.

10. Legal Counsel Report

No pending cases in which the District is a party.

Meeting was adjourned at 1:16 p.m.

September 13, 2018

Date

Executive Director

Chair

Agency Clerk

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