

Northwest Florida Water Management District
Governing Board Meeting Minutes
Thursday, October 18, 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; Jerry Pate, Vice Chair; John Alter, Secretary-Treasurer; Gus Andrews; Jon Costello; Ted Everett; Nick Patronis

Absent: Bo Spring

2. Approval of the Minutes for September 13, 2018, and September 27, 2018

MOTIONED BY NICK PATRONIS, SECONDED BY TED EVERETT, THAT THE GOVERNING BOARD APPROVE THE MINUTES FOR SEPTEMBER 13, 2018, AND SEPTEMBER 27, 2018. NO PUBLIC COMMENT WAS GIVEN. MOTION CARRIED.

3. Approval of the Financial Reports for the Month of August 2018

MOTIONED BY NICK PATRONIS, SECONDED BY TED EVERETT, THAT THE GOVERNING BOARD APPROVE THE FINANCIAL REPORTS FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST 2018. NO PUBLIC COMMENT WAS GIVEN. MOTION CARRIED.

4. Emergency Order for Regulatory Services

MOTIONED BY TED EVERETT, SECONDED BY JOHN ALTER, THAT THE GOVERNING BOARD AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO ISSUE AN EXECUTIVE ORDER FOR REGULATORY RELIEF IN STORM-IMPAIRED COUNTIES AS A RESULT OF HURRICANE MICHAEL. NO PUBLIC COMMENT WAS GIVEN. MOTION CARRIED.

5. Revisions to the District's Policy and Procedures Manual

MOTIONED BY TED EVERETT, SECONDED BY JOHN ALTER, THAT THE GOVERNING BOARD AUTHORIZE EMPLOYEES TO DONATE AND RECEIVE ANNUAL LEAVE FOR EMPLOYEES WITH SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES RELATED TO THE EFFECTS OF A NATURAL DISASTER IN CASES DETERMINED TO BE WARRANTED BY THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR. NO PUBLIC COMMENT WAS GIVEN. MOTION CARRIED.

6. Authorize the Executive Director to Execute Emergency Agreements for Timber Salvage

MOTIONED BY NICK PATRONIS, SECONDED BY GUS ANDREWS, THAT THE GOVERNING BOARD DECLARE HURRICANE MICHAEL AN EMERGENCY SITUATION THAT WARRANTS AN EXPEDITED SALVAGE TIMBER SALE BID PROCESS; AND AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO EXECUTE EMERGENCY AGREEMENTS FOR TIMBER SALVAGE. NO PUBLIC COMMENT WAS GIVEN. MOTION CARRIED.

7. Presentation on the Development of Land Management Plans and the Associated Land Management Review Teams

MOTIONED BY JOHN ALTER, SECONDED BY NICK PATRONIS, THAT THE GOVERNING BOARD APPROVE THE PROPOSALS RECEIVED FOR RFP-18-007 AND AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO CONTRACT WITH FORESTECH CONSULTING, INC. TO DEVELOP THREE LAND MANAGEMENT PLANS FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$280,000.00 AND A CONTRACT PERIOD ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2021, SUBJECT TO APPROVAL OF THE FISCAL YEAR 2018-2019, 2019-20, AND 2020-21 BUDGETS. NO PUBLIC COMMENT WAS GIVEN. MOTION CARRIED.

8. Consideration of RFP 19-001 for Prescribed Burning and Vegetation Management Services

MOTIONED BY JOHN ALTER, SECONDED BY JERRY PATE, THAT THE GOVERNING BOARD AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO EXECUTE AGREEMENTS WITH THE THREE QUALIFIED FIRMS RECOMMENDED BY

THE SELECTION COMMITTEE: B&B DUGGER, INC., MONROE FOREST & WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT, AND WILDLANDS SERVICES, INC. NO PUBLIC COMMENT WAS GIVEN. MOTION CARRIED.

9. Approval of Resolution No. 841 to the Department of Environmental Protection for Acquisition of the Cypress Spring Conservation Easement; adjacent to the Choctawhatchee River/Holmes Creek WMA

MOTIONED BY TED EVERETT, SECONDED BY JOHN ALTER, THAT THE GOVERNING BOARD ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 841 TO THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION FOR ACQUISITION OF THE CYPRESS SPRING CONSERVATION EASEMENT ADJACENT TO THE CHOCTAWHATCHEE RIVER/HOLMES CREEK WMA. NO PUBLIC COMMENT WAS GIVEN. MOTION CARRIED.

10. Consideration of Freightliner M2-106 Tandem-Axle Chassis Cab

MOTIONED BY JERRY PATE, SECONDED BY JOHN ALTER, THAT THE GOVERNING BOARD APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF A FREIGHTLINER M2-106 TANDEM-AXLE CHASSIS CAB THROUGH THE STATE OF FLORIDA STATE TERM CONTRACT IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$80,000. NO PUBLIC COMMENT WAS GIVEN. MOTION CARRIED.

11. Consideration of Resolution No. 842 Amending the Fiscal Year 2017-18 Budget - Amendment No. 6

MOTIONED BY TED EVERETT, SECONDED BY GUS ANDREWS, THAT THE GOVERNING BOARD ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 842 AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2017-2018 BUDGET AND ALLOW STAFF TO REALIGN REVENUES AND RESERVES TO MAINTAIN THE PROPER BALANCE IN EACH FUND. NO PUBLIC COMMENT WAS GIVEN. MOTION CARRIED.

12. Approval of Corrections to the Exchange Agreement with the Porter Family

MOTIONED BY JERRY PATE, SECONDED BY JOHN ALTER, THAT THE GOVERNING BOARD APPROVE THE CORRECTIONS TO THE EXCHANGE AGREEMENT WITH THE PORTER FAMILY AND AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO MAKE ANY ADDITIONAL REVISIONS AS NECESSARY TO BRING THIS EXCHANGE TO CLOSING. NO PUBLIC COMMENT WAS GIVEN. MOTION CARRIED.

13. Public Hearing on Consideration of Regulatory Matters

Governing Board Chairman George Roberts called the meeting to order at 1:20 p.m.

A-1 Applicant: Destin Water Users, Inc.

App. No.: 2B-091-119-12

Use: Public Supply

MOTIONED BY TED EVERETT, SECONDED BY NICK PATRONIS, THAT THE GOVERNING BOARD APPROVE THE MODIFICATION TO WATER USE PERMIT 2B-091-119-12, DESTIN WATER USERS, INC., PER THE RECOMMENDATIONS AND CONDITIONS OF THE STAFF REPORTS AND PER THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE PERMIT DOCUMENTS. NO PUBLIC COMMENT WAS GIVEN. MOTION CARRIED.

A-2 Applicant: South Walton Utility Company, Inc. - Coastal Wells

App. No.: 2B-131-146-13

Use: Public Supply

MOTIONED BY TED EVERETT, SECONDED BY NICK PATRONIS, THAT THE GOVERNING BOARD APPROVE THE MODIFICATION TO WATER USE PERMIT 2B-131-146-13, SOUTH WALTON UTILITY COMPANY, INC. - COASTAL WELLS, PER THE RECOMMENDATIONS AND CONDITIONS OF THE STAFF REPORTS AND PER THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE PERMIT DOCUMENTS. NO PUBLIC COMMENT WAS GIVEN. MOTION CARRIED.

A-3 Applicant: South Walton Utility Company, Inc. – Rockhill Inland Well Field

App. No.: 2B-131-5349-3

Use: Public Supply

MOTIONED BY TED EVERETT, SECONDED BY NICK PATRONIS, THAT THE GOVERNING BOARD APPROVE THE MODIFICATION TO WATER USE PERMIT 2B-131-5349-3, SOUTH WALTON UTILITY COMPANY, INC. – ROCKHILL INLAND WELL FIELD, PER THE RECOMMENDATIONS AND CONDITIONS OF THE STAFF REPORTS AND PER THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE PERMIT DOCUMENTS. NO PUBLIC COMMENT WAS GIVEN. MOTION CARRIED.

14. Development of Minimum Flows for St. Marks River Rise – Informational Item
Informational purposes only.

15. Legal Counsel Report

Breck Brannan provided a status report on the case referenced below.

Northwest Florida Water Management District v. Ox Bottom Mortgage Holdings, LLC; OB Homes of Tallahassee, LLC; G&A Lloyd, LLC; Golden Oak Land Group, LLC; and Ox Bottom Thomasville, LLC, Leon County Circuit Court Case No. 2018 CA 001831.

Meeting was adjourned at 1:26 p.m.



Chair

November 8, 2018

Date



Executive Director



Agency Clerk

