

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

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

**Thursday
March 8, 2018**

Governing Board Members Present

George Roberts, Chair
Jerry Pate, Vice Chair
John Alter, Secretary-Treasurer
Gus Andrews
Jon Costello
Ted Everett
Nick Patronis
Bo Spring

Governing Board Members Absent
Marc Dunbar

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.

2. Additions, Deletions or Changes to the Agenda

None.

3. Approval of the Minutes for February 8, 2018

MOTIONED BY JERRY PATE, SECONDED BY JON COSTELLO, THAT THE GOVERNING BOARD APPROVE THE MINUTES FOR FEBRUARY 8, 2018. NO PUBLIC COMMENT WAS GIVEN. MOTION CARRIED.

4. Approval of the Financial Reports for the Month of January 2018

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

5. Public Hearing on Consideration of Regulatory Matters

Chair Roberts called the public hearing to order at 1:06 p.m.

MOTIONED BY JON COSTELLO, SECONDED BY JOHN ALTER, THAT THE GOVERNING BOARD APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA 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.

6. Consideration of Employing an Inspector General Through a Competitive Solicitation Process

MOTIONED BY JERRY PATE, SECONDED BY GUS ANDREWS, THAT THE GOVERNING BOARD AUTHORIZE THE DISTRICT TO RELEASE A REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR INSPECTOR GENERAL SERVICES, APPOINT A SELECTION COMMITTEE COMPOSED OF WENDY DUGAN, DIRECTOR OF ADMINISTRATION, AMANDA BEDENBAUGH, CHIEF OF FINANCE & ACCOUNTING, AND BRECK BRANNEN, DISTRICT GENERAL COUNSEL TO EVALUATE THE PROPOSALS RECEIVED IN RESPONSE TO THE RFP WITH THE PURPOSE OF RANKING AND RECOMMENDING THE RESPONDENTS DEEMED TO BE THE MOST HIGHLY QUALIFIED TO PERFORM INSPECTOR GENERAL SERVICES FOR THE DISTRICT IN ORDER OF PREFERENCE TO THE GOVERNING BOARD. NO PUBLIC COMMENT WAS GIVEN. MOTION CARRIED.

7. Consideration of Invitation to Bid 18B-005: 2018 Altha South Timber Sale

MOTIONED BY JOHN ALTER, SECONDED BY JERRY PATE, THAT THE GOVERNING BOARD APPROVE THE BIDS SUBMITTED IN RESPONSE TO INVITATION TO BID 18B-005, AND AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT FOR THIS TIMBER SALE WITH THE HIGH BIDDER, PANHANDLE FORESTRY INC., AT THE BID PRICES OF \$16.30 PER TON FOR PINE PULPWOOD, \$25.00 PER TON FOR PINE CHIP-N-SAW AND

\$33.00 PER TON FOR PINE SAW TIMBER. NO PUBLIC COMMENT WAS GIVEN. MOTION CARRIED.

8. Consideration of Grant Agreement with the City of Apalachicola for Construction of Stormwater Retrofit Facilities

MOTIONED BY GUS ANDREWS, SECONDED BY NICK PATRONIS, THAT THE GOVERNING BOARD APPROVE GRANT FUNDING NOT TO EXCEED \$400,000 TO THE CITY OF APALACHICOLA FOR CONSTRUCTION OF STORMWATER RETROFIT FACILITIES AND AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO EXECUTE A GRANT AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF THIS PROJECT. NO PUBLIC COMMENT WAS GIVEN. MOTION CARRIED.

9. Approval of Resolution No. 828 Declaring April 2018 as Water Conservation Month

MOTIONED BY NICK PATRONIS, SECONDED BY JERRY PATE, THAT THE GOVERNING BOARD APPROVE RESOLUTION NO. 828 DECLARING APRIL 2018 AS WATER CONSERVATION MONTH. NO PUBLIC COMMENT WAS GIVEN. MOTION CARRIED.

10. Approval of Resolution No. 829 Declaring April 2018 as Springs Awareness Month

MOTIONED BY JOHN ALTER, SECONDED BY BO SPRING, THAT THE GOVERNING BOARD APPROVE RESOLUTION NO. 829 DECLARING APRIL 2018 AS SPRINGS PROTECTION AWARENESS MONTH. NO PUBLIC COMMENT WAS GIVEN. MOTION CARRIED.

11. Status of Minimum Flows for the St. Marks River Rise

Informational purposes only.

12. Legislative Update

Informational purposes only.

13. Legal Counsel Report

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

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 1:48 p.m.

Chair

Date

Executive Director

Agency Clerk

