

Northwest Florida Water Management District
Governing Board Meeting Minutes
Thursday, February 28, 2019
District Headquarters
81 Water Management Drive, Havana, Florida 32333

1. Opening Ceremonies

Chairman George Roberts called the meeting to order at 1:11 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; Bo Spring

Absent: None

2. Special Thanks and Recognition

Retirement recognition for Steve Brown after 24+ years of service. Mr. Brown worked in the Bureau of Land Management Operations as a Land Manager for the West Region.

3. Changes to the Agenda

None.

4. Approval of the Minutes for January 24, 2019

MOTIONED BY NICK PATRONIS, SECONDED BY JOHN ALTER, THAT THE GOVERNING BOARD APPROVE THE MINUTES FOR JANUARY 24, 2019. NO PUBLIC COMMENT WAS GIVEN. MOTION CARRIED.

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

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

6. Committee Reports and Recommendations for Board Action

Asset Management Committee:

Consideration of Amendment to Agreement with Red Hills Horse Trials and the City of Tallahassee

The motion by Chair Roberts failed due to the lack of a second.

Consideration of Grant of Easement to the City of Milton for Wastewater Pipeline Through District Lands; Blackwater River WMA

MOTIONED BY NICK PATRONIS, SECONDED BY GUS ANDREWS, THAT THE GOVERNING BOARD (1) MAKE A DETERMINATION THAT PROVIDING AN EASEMENT TO THE CITY OF MILTON FOR A WASTEWATER PIPELINE THROUGH DISTRICT LANDS IN THE BLACKWATER RIVER WMA WILL NOT INTERFERE WITH CURRENT OR PLANNED DISTRICT PURPOSES, AND (2) GRANT THE EASEMENT AND AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO EXECUTE THE EASEMENT WITH THE CITY OF MILTON, SUBJECT TO LEGAL COUNSEL REVIEW. NO PUBLIC COMMENT WAS GIVEN. MOTION CARRIED.

Consideration of Grant of Permanent Right-of-Way and Easement to Washington County for Paving 3.1 Miles of Greenhead Road

MOTIONED BY NICK PATRONIS, SECONDED BY JON COSTELLO, THAT THE GOVERNING BOARD (1) MAKE A DETERMINATION THAT THE PERMANENT RIGHT-OF-WAY AND EASEMENT AREA WILL MINIMALLY INTERFERE WITH CURRENT OR PLANNED DISTRICT PURPOSES, AND (2) AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTIVE

DIRECTOR TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE THE EASEMENT WITH WASHINGTON COUNTY, SUBJECT TO LEGAL COUNSEL REVIEW. NO PUBLIC COMMENT WAS GIVEN. MOTION CARRIED.

Consideration of Grant Agreement with Arbor Day Foundation

MOTIONED BY NICK PATRONIS, SECONDED BY JOHN ALTER, THAT THE GOVERNING BOARD AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH ARBOR DAY FOUNDATION TO RECEIVE A GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$154,118.55 CONTINGENT UPON GOVERNING BOARD APPROVAL OF AMENDMENT TO THE FISCAL YEAR 2018-2019 BUDGET. NO PUBLIC COMMENT WAS GIVEN. MOTION CARRIED.

Resource Management Committee:

Consideration of the 2019 Consolidated Annual Report

MOTIONED BY JERRY PATE, SECONDED BY TED EVERETT, THAT THE GOVERNING BOARD APPROVE THE 2019 CONSOLIDATED ANNUAL REPORT, SUBJECT TO BOARD APPROVAL OF THE FLORIDA FOREVER WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT WORK PLAN ANNUAL REPORT. NO PUBLIC COMMENT WAS GIVEN. MOTION CARRIED.

Consideration of Funding for the Tallahassee Weems Road Pass Phase 2 Project

MOTIONED BY JERRY PATE, SECONDED BY JON COSTELLO, THAT THE GOVERNING BOARD APPROVE FUNDING IN THE AMOUNT OF \$100,000 FOR THE TALLAHASSEE WEEMS ROAD PASS PHASE 2 PROJECT AND AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO EXECUTE A GRANT FUNDING AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY FOR THIS PURPOSE, CONTINGENT UPON GOVERNING BOARD APPROVAL OF AMENDMENT TO THE FISCAL YEAR 2018-2019 BUDGET. NO PUBLIC COMMENT WAS GIVEN. MOTION CARRIED.

Consideration of Bids and Agreement for Construction Services for the Econfina Blue Spring Camp Shoreline Restoration

MOTIONED BY JERRY PATE, SECONDED BY NICK PATRONIS, THAT THE GOVERNING BOARD AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO NEGOTIATE AND ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH L & R CONTRACTING, LLC, FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$700,000 FOR DEBRIS CLEANUP AND CONSTRUCTION SERVICES FOR THE ECONFINA BLUE SPRING CAMP SHORELINE RESTORATION AND PROTECTION PROJECT SUBJECT TO BUDGET AUTHORITY AND LEGAL COUNSEL REVIEW. NO PUBLIC COMMENT WAS GIVEN. MOTION CARRIED.

7. Consideration of Inspector General's Long Term and Annual Audit Work Plans

MOTIONED BY JERRY PATE, SECONDED BY JON COSTELLO, THAT THE GOVERNING BOARD APPROVE THE INSPECTOR GENERAL'S THREE-YEAR AUDIT WORK PLAN FOR FISCAL YEARS 2018-19 THROUGH 2020-21 AND AN ANNUAL AUDIT WORK PLAN FOR 2018-19. NO PUBLIC COMMENT WAS GIVEN. MOTION CARRIED.

8. Consideration of Renewal of Employee Health and Life Insurance

MOTIONED BY JERRY PATE, SECONDED BY BO SPRING, THAT THE GOVERNING BOARD APPROVE THE RENEWAL OF THE ANNUAL EMPLOYEE HEALTH AND LIFE INSURANCE POLICIES BEGINNING APRIL 1, 2019 AND ENDING MARCH 31, 2020. NO PUBLIC COMMENT WAS GIVEN. MOTION CARRIED.

9. Consideration of Amendments No. 2 through 9 to Fiscal Year 2018-2019 Budget

MOTIONED BY JERRY PATE, SECONDED BY JOHN ALTER, THAT THE GOVERNING BOARD ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 845 AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2018-2019 BUDGET AND ALLOW STAFF TO REALIGN REVENUES AND RESERVES TO MAINTAIN THE PROPER BALANCE IN EACH FUND. NO PUBLIC COMMENT WAS GIVEN. MOTION CARRIED.

10. Consideration of Minimum Flows and Minimum Water Levels Rule Language

MOTIONED BY JERRY PATE, SECONDED BY NICK PATRONIS, THAT THE GOVERNING BOARD APPROVE THE PROPOSED RULE LANGUAGE FOR ESTABLISHING CHAPTER 40A-8, F.A.C., MINIMUM FLOWS AND MINIMUM WATER LEVELS. NO PUBLIC COMMENT WAS GIVEN. MOTION CARRIED.

11. Public Hearing on Consideration of Florida Forever Water Management District Work Plan

Chair Roberts called the public hearing to order at 1:41 p.m.

MOTIONED BY JERRY PATE, SECONDED BY BO SPRING, THAT THE GOVERNING BOARD APPROVE THE 2019 FLORIDA FOREVER WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT WORK PLAN. NO PUBLIC COMMENT WAS GIVEN. MOTION CARRIED.

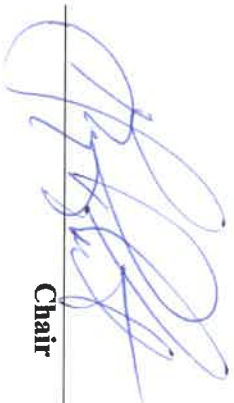
12. Legislative Update

Informational purposes only.

13. Legal Counsel Report

No pending cases in which the District is a party.

Meeting was adjourned at 2:06 p.m.


Chair

March 28, 2019
Date


Executive Director


Agency Clerk

