

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

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

**Thursday
May 14, 2015**

Governing Board Members Present

George Roberts, Chair
Gus Andrews
Jon Costello
Marc Dunbar
Nick Patronis
Bo Spring

Governing Board Members Absent

Jerry Pate, Vice Chair
John W. Alter, Secretary-Treasurer

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

Chair Roberts called the meeting to order at 1:01 p.m. ET. Mr. Cyphers called the roll and a quorum was declared present.

2. Invocation

Chair Roberts offered the invocation.

3. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

Chair Roberts led the meeting in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

4. Additions, Deletions or Changes to the Agenda

MOTIONED BY MR. DUNBAR, SECONDED BY MR. COSTELLO, TO REAFFIRM THE SELECTION OF MR. BRETT CYPHERS AS THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR UPON THE SAME TERMS AS PREVIOUSLY VOTED AND APPROVED BY THIS GOVERNING BOARD. MOTION CARRIED.

5. Approval of the Minutes for April 9, 2015

MOTIONED BY MR. DUNBAR, SECONDED BY MR. PATRONIS, THAT THE GOVERNING BOARD APPROVE THE APRIL 9, 2015, GOVERNING BOARD MEETING MINUTES. MOTION CARRIED.

6. Approval of the Financial Reports for the Month of March 2015

MOTIONED BY MR. COSTELLO, SECONDED BY MR. SPRING, THAT THE GOVERNING BOARD APPROVE THE FINANCIAL REPORTS FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH 2015. MOTION CARRIED.

7. A. Administration, Budget and Finance Committee Reports and Recommendations for Board Action

1. Consideration of Resolution No. 798 Amending the Fiscal Year 2014-2015 Budget - Amendment No. 7

MOTIONED BY MR. COSTELLO, SECONDED BY MR. PATRONIS, THAT THE GOVERNING BOARD APPROVE RESOLUTION NO. 798 AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2014-2015 BUDGET AND ALLOW STAFF TO REALIGN REVENUES AND RESERVES TO MAINTAIN THE PROPER BALANCE IN EACH FUND. MOTION CARRIED.

2. Consideration of Amendment No. 8 to the Fiscal Year 2014-2015 Budget Adjusting Beginning Fund Balance

MOTIONED BY MR. COSTELLO, SECONDED BY MR. PATRONIS, THAT THE GOVERNING BOARD APPROVE AMENDMENT NO. 8 TO THE FISCAL YEAR 2014-2015 BUDGET ADJUSTING FUND BALANCES. MOTION CARRIED.

3. Consideration of Resolution No. 799 Committing Audited Fund Balances for the Fiscal Year Ending September 30, 2014, as Required By GASB Statement No. 54

MOTIONED BY MR. COSTELLO, SECONDED BY MR. DUNBAR, THAT THE GOVERNING BOARD APPROVE RESOLUTION NO. 799 COMMITTING AUDITED FUND BALANCES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2014, AS REQUIRED BY GASB STATEMENT NO. 54. MOTION CARRIED.

4. Consideration of a District Economic Stabilization Fund Policy

MOTIONED BY MR. COSTELLO, SECONDED BY MR. DUNBAR, THAT THE GOVERNING BOARD APPROVE THE PROPOSED ECONOMIC STABILIZATION FUND POLICY, AND AUTHORIZE STAFF TO INCORPORATE THIS POLICY INTO THE DISTRICT'S INTERNAL POLICIES AND PROCEDURES MANUAL. MOTION CARRIED.

7. B. Lands Committee Reports and Recommendations for Board Action

1. Consideration of Lease Agreement with the Board of Trustees of the Internal Improvement Trust Fund of the State of Florida for the Brunson Landing Tract

MOTIONED BY MR. PATRONIS, SECONDED BY COSTELLO, THAT THE GOVERNING BOARD APPROVE THE LEASE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE DISTRICT AND THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE INTERNAL IMPROVEMENT TRUST FUND OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA. MOTION CARRIED.

2. Consideration of Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission Annual Work Plan and Budget for the Sand Hill Lakes Mitigation Bank Cooperative Management Agreement

MOTIONED BY MR. PATRONIS, SECONDED BY MR. ANDREWS, THAT THE GOVERNING BOARD APPROVE THE FLORIDA FISH AND WILDLIFE CONSERVATION COMMISSION FISCAL YEAR 2015-2016 WORK PLAN AND BUDGET FOR THE SAND HILL LAKES MITIGATION BANK COOPERATIVE MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT, SUBJECT TO APPROVAL OF THE DISTRICT'S FISCAL YEAR 2015-2016 BUDGET IN SEPTEMBER 2015. MOTION CARRIED.

3. Consideration of ITB 15B-010 for 2015 Sand Pine and Hardwood Tree Eradication Services

MOTIONED BY MR. PATRONIS, SECONDED BY MR. DUNBAR, THAT THE GOVERNING BOARD APPROVE THE BIDS FOR THE 2015 SAND PINE AND HARDWOOD TREE ERADICATION SERVICES PROJECT AND AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH EXPRESS FORESTRY SERVICE, LLC IN THE AMOUNT OF \$69,136.00 TO FACILITATE THIS WORK. MOTION CARRIED.

4. Consideration of Maintenance Agreement between the Board of County Commissioners of Holmes County and Northwest Florida Water Management District

MOTIONED BY MR. PATRONIS, SECONDED BY MR. ANDREWS, THAT THE GOVERNING BOARD APPROVE THE MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF HOLMES COUNTY AND THE NORTHWEST FLORIDA WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT. MOTION CARRIED.

8. A. Consideration of Sale of 18,282 Square Feet Along Bluff Springs Road to Department of Transportation; Escambia County

MOTIONED BY MR. PATRONIS, SECONDED BY MR. SPRING, THAT THE GOVERNING BOARD APPROVE THE OFFER AND PURCHASE AGREEMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,400, SUBJECT TO LEGAL COUNSEL REVIEW, DECLARE THAT THE 18,282 SQUARE FEET IS NOT REQUIRED FOR DISTRICT CONSERVATION PURPOSES BUT INSTEAD IS BEST USED AS RIGHT-OF-WAY FOR BRIDGE REPLACEMENT BY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION ON BLUFF SPRINGS ROAD AND SELL THIS ACREAGE TO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR RIGHT-OF-WAY FOR A BRIDGE REPLACEMENT ON BLUFF SPRINGS ROAD AND CHOOSE NOT TO RESERVE THE INTEREST IN THE PROPERTY'S PHOSPHATE, MINERALS, METALS AND PETROLEUM. MOTION CARRIED.

9. A. Regulatory Database Update

Informational purposes only.

9. B. Local Government Grant Projects; Progress Update

Informational purposes only.

10. Legal Counsel Report

Perez, et al v. Northwest Florida Water Management District

Mr. Breck Brannen reported that the Petitioners voluntarily declined to file an amended petition. He stated that because of their decision the case has been closed.

Mr. Brannen gave a brief update on a former enforcement case against Jan Sebastian. He informed the Board that the dam is back in compliance.

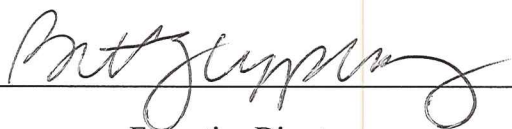
Meeting was adjourned at 1:50 p.m. ET.



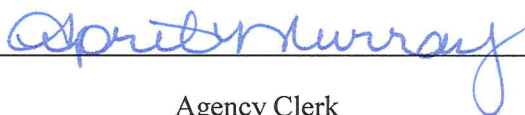
Vice Chair

June 11, 2015

Date



Executive Director



Agency Clerk

