

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

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

**Thursday
August 13, 2015**

Governing Board Members

George Roberts, Chair
Jerry Pate, Vice Chair
John W. Alter, Secretary-Treasurer
Gus Andrews
Jon Costello
Marc Dunbar
Bo Spring

Governing Board Members Absent

Nick Patronis

1. Opening Ceremonies

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. Additions, Deletions or Changes to the Agenda

Ms. White stated that item 9. B. was added to the agenda.

3. Approval of the Minutes for July 9, 2015

MOTIONED BY MR. ALTER, SECONDED BY MR. COSTELLO, THAT THE GOVERNING BOARD APPROVE THE JULY 9, 2015, GOVERNING BOARD MEETING MINUTES. MOTION CARRIED.

4. Approval of the Financial Reports for the Month of June 2015

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

5. Committee Reports and Recommendations for Board Action

Lands Committee:

Consideration of Contract Renewal with the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission for Law Enforcement/Security Services (Enhanced Patrol) on District Lands

MOTIONED BY VICE CHAIR PATE, SECONDED BY MR. COSTELLO, THAT THE GOVERNING BOARD AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO EXECUTE AN AMENDMENT TO THE EXISTING AGREEMENT WITH THE FLORIDA FISH AND WILDLIFE CONSERVATION COMMISSION FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT AND SECURITY SERVICES (SCHEDULED ENHANCED PATROL AND AS-NEEDED ENHANCED PATROL) ON DISTRICT LANDS DURING FISCAL YEAR 2015-2016 WITH A MAXIMUM TOTAL COMPENSATION AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$89,000, SUBJECT TO APPROVAL OF THE FY 2015-2015 BUDGET. MOTION CARRIED.

Consideration of Contract Renewal with Washington County Sheriff's Office for Law Enforcement and Security Services; Choctawhatchee River and Holmes Creek and Econfina Creek WMA

MOTIONED BY VICE CHAIR PATE, SECONDED BY MR. SPRING, THAT THE GOVERNING BOARD APPROVE RENEWAL OF THE AGREEMENT WITH THE WASHINGTON COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$145,778.60 TO PROVIDE LAW ENFORCEMENT AND SECURITY SERVICES FOR DISTRICT LANDS LOCATED IN BAY AND WASHINGTON COUNTIES, AND AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO EXECUTE THE NEW AGREEMENT, SUBJECT TO APPROVAL OF THE FISCAL YEAR 2015 - 2016 BUDGET. MOTION CARRIED.

Consideration of Resolution No. 801 Declare Approximately Three Acres of District Lands for Exchange; Econfina Creek WMA

MOTIONED BY VICE CHAIR PATE, SECONDED BY MR. ALTER, THAT THE GOVERNING BOARD APPROVE RESOLUTION NO. 801 FOR THE EXCHANGE OF APPROXIMATELY THREE ACRES IN THE ECONFINA CREEK WMA AND DECLARE THAT THE PARCEL IS NO LONGER NEEDED FOR CONSERVATION PURPOSES IN FEE SIMPLE BUT CAN ACHIEVE CONSERVATION AND PROTECTION OF THIS TRACT THROUGH LESS-THAN-FEE SIMPLE. MOTION CARRIED.

6. Consideration of Grant Agreement with the Florida Resource Conservation and Development Council for Northwest Florida Mobile Irrigation Lab Services for Fiscal Year 2015-2016

MOTIONED BY MR. ALTER, SECONDED BY VICE CHAIR PATE, THAT THE GOVERNING BOARD AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE WEST FLORIDA RESOURCE CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL TO PROVIDE UP TO \$71,125 IN DISTRICT GRANT FUNDING FOR NORTHWEST FLORIDA MOBILE IRRIGATION LAB SERVICES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2015-2016. MOTION CARRIED.

7. Consideration of Grant Funding Agreement with the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation and Supporting Consultant Services for Fiscal Year 2015-2016

MOTIONED BY VICE CHAIR PATE, SECONDED BY MR. ANDREWS, THAT THE GOVERNING BOARD AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO EXECUTE A GRANT AGREEMENT WITH THE NATIONAL FISH AND WILDLIFE FOUNDATION, PROVIDING TO THE DISTRICT UP TO \$695,000 TO UPDATE THE DISTRICT'S SURFACE WATER IMPROVEMENT AND MANAGEMENT PLANS AND EXECUTE SUPPORTING TASK ORDERS WITH ECOLOGY AND ENVIRONMENT, INC., FOR CONSULTING SERVICES NOT TO EXCEED \$266,787 FOR FISCAL YEAR 2015-2016, CONTINGENT UPON APPROVAL OF THE DISTRICT'S FISCAL YEAR 2015-2016 BUDGET AND SUBJECT TO LEGAL COUNSEL REVIEW. MOTION CARRIED.

8. Public Hearing on Consideration of Regulatory Matters

MOTIONED BY MR. ALTER, SECONDED BY MR. DUNBAR, 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. MOTION CARRIED.

9. A. Fiscal Year 2015-2016 Budget Briefing Update

Informational purposes only.

9. B. State Auditor General Preliminary and Tentative Findings and Recommendations

Informational purposes only.

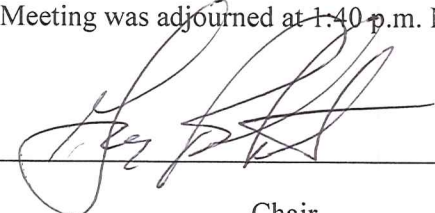
10. Government Affairs Update

Informational purposes only.

11. Legal Counsel Report

Mr. Breck Brannen stated that there were no legal matters to discuss.

Meeting was adjourned at 1:40 p.m. ET.


Chair

September 10, 2015
Date


Executive Director


Agency Clerk

