

Meeting Minutes – Hard Labor Creek Reservoir Management Board

Date: 1:00 p.m., Tuesday, April 22, 2014

Location: Hennessy Barn, Social Circle-Fairplay Road, Social Circle, Georgia

Board Members Present: Kevin Little (Chairman) Jeff Benko
John Caudill Mark Saxon
Lamar Palmer Rob Kiser
Timmy Shelnett

Others Present: Bill Crowder Morris Jordan Wendell Geiger
Jimmy Parker Chris Atkinson West Geddings
Neal Jackson Chris Thomas
Rob Goss Chuck Horton

** Board held Joint Meeting with Walton County Water & Sewerage Authority ("WCWSA"). WCWSA members present: Rob Kiser, Ryan Smith, Tommy Richardson, Shirlene Huff, Brad Johnson

1. **Review/Approval of February 18, 2014 RMB Meeting Minutes.**
Approved – Motion by Benko, second by Shelnett, passed unanimously.
2. **Project Financing/Budget.**
 - Jimmy Parker presented overview on budget report for February and March 2014.
 - Jimmy Parker reviewed FY 2015 construction budget. J. Parker noted the budget will be formally voted upon at the June meeting.
 - Consider Authorization to Proceed with Execution of GEFA Loan A (\$12million) – Board approved on motion by Palmer, second by Shelnett, passed unanimously.
_ RMB recommendation to proceed with execution of GEFA Loan A will be presented to Walton and Oconee BOC for formal approval
3. **Land Acquisition**
 - **Monthly progress update**
Jimmy Parker reviewed status of land acquisition (see Agenda for parcel numbers and acreage statistics).
 - **Property Management/Maintenance** – J. Parker reviewed the following:
 - Tax parcel 185-70 – no asbestos found.
 - PPI to solicit quotes for demolition.
4. **Dam/Reservoir Construction** – J. Parker reviewed the following:
 - Principal Spillway Foundation: 100% complete
 - 72-inch Principal Spillway Pipe/Concrete Cradle: 30% complete
 - Concrete Riser Structure: 15% complete
 - Blasting and excavation for Chute Spillway: 75% complete
 - Reservoir Clearing: 5% complete

- Labyrinth Weir Foundation Construction Underway
 - Review progress photos
 - Project Completion: January 20, 2015
5. **Georgia Transmission Relocation** – J. Parker reviewed the following:
- Relocation construction: 95% complete
 - Projected completion: April 24, 2014
 - New line up and in service
6. **Road Relocation** – J. Parker reviewed the following:
- **Social Circle-Fairplay Road Relocation (ER Snell Contractor, Inc.)** –
 - Bridge No. 2
 - i. Bent 6 Foundation complete
 - ii. Final beam placement: April 21-25
 - iii. Bridge deck construction underway
 - Bridge No. 1: Construction to begin June 2014
 - Review progress photos
 - Projected completion: March 2015 (Contract: August 2015)
 - **Mount Paron Church Road Culvert** –
 - Construction 98% complete, final cleanup/grassing underway
 - Road re-opened to traffic
 - Final completion: April/May 2014
 - **Miscellaneous Road Improvements (Termination/Cul-de-sacs)** –
 - Pre-construction meeting: April 8, 2014
 - Notice to proceed: April 15, 2014
 - Completion: September 2014
7. **Raw Water Intake Facility** – J. Parker reviewed the following:
- Wall construction: 100% complete
 - Pipe supports and top slab formwork in progress
 - Review progress photos
 - Project completion: August 2014
8. **Project Mitigation:** – J. Parker reviewed the following:
- Discuss Georgia Power Easement request. Georgia Power needs an easement across Means Creek Stream Buffer. PPI and Attorney will work with Georgia Power and Corps as necessary.
 - Discuss RMB recommendation to approve reimbursement to the Oconee County Parks and Rec Department for the relocation of a portion of the Heritage Park horse trail at a cost not to exceed \$10,000. WCWSA had tabled action at previous meeting.
9. **Recreation Committee** – R. Kiser, C. Thomas and Jody Johnson

- **Recreation committee meeting held Thursday, February 27**
- **Georgia Department of Natural Resources (DNR)** – J. Parker reviewed the following:
 - DNR will stock fish at no cost, provided public access is maintained.
 - A "Fisheries Agreement" would be required
 - DNR issued recommendations on clearing limits/fish habitat
 - DNR will attend future meetings as requested, to provide support and assistance
- **Public Access Areas:**
 - Site 1: located on Hennessy Tract near future treatment facility
 - Site 2: explore other locations with access to Pannell Road
 - Recommendation that site include boat ramps, public parking, small picnic area and at least one dock/pier for public fishing
 - Committee to evaluate the feasibility/costs of public walking trails, and provide recommendations to Board
- **Operations:**
 - Committee is evaluating other operational matters including access management, site security, hours of operation, required staffing, permit/usage fees, etc.
 - Committee to schedule a tour of other reservoir public access areas, and provide recommendations to the Board

10. **Other Business –**

- **Discuss maintenance/patching of existing county roads used during construction:** (J. Parker reviewed)
 - Discuss pavement failures due to construction traffic
 - Board approved road maintenance budget of \$250,000 for asphalt patching and repair during construction period (project contingency) on motion by Kiser, second by Palmer, passed unanimously.
 - Additional resurfacing may be warranted upon project completion.
- **Project Website (www.hardlaborcreek.com)** – J Parker reviewed the following:
 - Status of website update – 60-70% complete
 - Board approved annual web hosting contract with Brown Web Design, Inc. on motion by Saxon, second by Palmer, passed unanimously.
- **Tax Parcel 171-11 (Tommy L. Young, Jr.)** – property owner is obtaining quotes for access road relocation.

11. **Public Comment – None.**

12. **Executive Session**

- Board entered Executive Session to discuss land acquisition matters (motion by Kiser, second by Benko, approved unanimously).
- Board exited Executive Session (motion by Benko, second by Kiser, approved unanimously).
- No votes were taken in Executive Session (see affidavit included with these minutes).

- Next meeting date is June 17, 2014.

13. **Adjourn:** Motion by Benko, second by Palmer, approved unanimously.