

## Meeting Minutes – Hard Labor Creek Reservoir Management Board

Date: 1:00 p.m., Tuesday, February 17, 2015

Location: Main Courtroom/Board of Commissioners meeting room, Walton County Historic Courthouse, Second Floor

HLC Board Members Present:      Jim Luke (Chairman)                      Mark Saxon  
   Lee Bradford                                      Jeff Benko  
   Timmy Shelnett                                   Tommy Richardson

Others Present:              Bill Crowder                      Brad Johnson                      James Crowder  
   Jimmy Parker                      Chris Atkinson                      Tony Lattanzi  
   Lee Becker                              Morris Jordan                      Chris Thomas

1.     **Review/Approval of HLC December 16, 2014 Meeting Minutes.** Approved on motion by M. Saxon, second by T. Shelnett, passed unanimously.
2.     **Project Financing/Budget.**
  - Jimmy Parker presented overview on budget report for December 2014 and January 2015.
3.     **Land Acquisition**
  - **Monthly progress update**  
Jimmy Parker reviewed status of land acquisition (see Agenda for parcel numbers and acreage statistics).
4.     **Dam/Reservoir Construction – J. Parker reviewed the following:**
  - Progress update
    - Reservoir Clearing: 95% complete (1,100 acres)
    - Concrete Riser Structure: 90% complete
    - Earthen Dam Embankment: 90% complete (Friday, February 13 hit the 712' level)
    - Labyrinth Weir / Chute Spillway: 65% complete
    - Review progress photos
  - Discuss Schnabel Engineering's Assessment of Additional Construction Observation – J. Parker and Jimmy Crowder discussed additional work by Schanbel in monitoring dam contractor. J. Parker advised of two reasons for cost overages (i) chute spillway (over blasted and over excavated), and (ii) problems with formwork and placement of concrete. Board discussed current completion date, liquidated damages and options for defective work. J. Parker also advised that dam contractor currently estimates their completion date at April 27, 2015 (contract completion date is March 20, 2015).

- Discuss Communications with Hard Labor Creek State Park Staff – J. Parker discussed Park noting discoloration of water, but that all turbidity readings remained consistent.
- Discuss Results of Georgia EPD Sediment and Erosion Control Inspection – As a result of HLC State Park notification, Georgia EPD made inspection and found no substantive violations (only violations related to administrative act of noting days of rain in log).
- Discuss Change Order with Layne Heavy Civil for additional grading at Williford Pond Dam – J. Parker reviewed this request for additional \$7,378 and additional 4 days to complete. PPI recommends approval of dollar amount but not time extension, as this is not a critical path item. After discussion, Board approved change order of \$7,378 but denied additional 4 days on motion by J. Richardson, second by M. Saxon, passed unanimously.
- Discuss Change Order with Layne Heavy Civil for additional Contract Time Due to Inclement Weather – J. Parker reviewed request in reviewing the two letters making such request. PPI recommends denial or granting of ½ day extension. J. Parker advised the Board that contract provisions define “normal working hours” as 7:00 Am to 6:00 PM, Monday thru Friday. Therefore, the Contract does not contemplate an extension of time due to weekend rain days (Saturday & Sunday). As to the letter dated 2/13/2015 requesting 7.5 additional days, Board voted to approved ½ day request and deny balance (7 weekend days) on motion by M. Saxon, second by T. Shelnett, passed 5 to 1 (with L. Bradford voting against). As to the letter dated 2/16/2015 requesting 3.5 additional weekend days, Board voted to deny request on motion by M. Saxon, second by T. Shelnett, passed unanimously.
- Project Completion: April 2015

5. **Roadway Relocations** – J. Parker reviewed the following:

- **Social Circle-Fairplay Road Relocation (ER Snell Contractor, Inc.)** –
  - Bridge No. 1: 75% complete
  - Cross Drain Installation: 90% complete
  - Review progress photos
  - Discuss Bridge No. 2 Deck Joint Repair – J. Parker discussed normal, minor occurrence and repair.
  - Projected completion: August 2015
- **Miscellaneous Road Improvements (Termination/Cul-de-sacs)** –
  - Construction status: 15% complete
  - Discuss Additional Rock Embankment Fill Required at Cedar Pointe – J. Parker discussed situation at saturated area of cul-de-sac. Board approved change order of \$37,395 on motion by J. Benko, second by L. Bradford, passed unanimously.
  - Completion: March 2015

6. **Raw Water Intake Facility** – J. Parker reviewed the following:
  - Progress update:
    - Pipe supports and top slab formwork: 95% complete
    - Tower Access Bridge: 85% complete
    - 72" Intake Pipe: 100% complete
  - Review progress photos
  - Project completion: March-April 2015
  
7. **Reservoir Recreation** – J. Parker reviewed the following
  - Design of Phase I Public Access/Recreational Improvements Underway
    - Site grading and construction of the boat ramp only
  - Design/Permitting: February-March 2015
  - Bid Phase: April-May 2015
  - Construction: June-September 2015
  
8. **Mitigation Monitoring** – J. Parker reviewed the following
  - Discuss Year 4 Annual Monitoring Reports for the Apalachee River, Pleasant Valley Road, Oconee Veterans Park and Rocky Branch Mitigation Sites. All reports were made available to the Board.
  - Discuss Year 3 Annual Monitoring Reports for the Heritage Park Mitigation Site. All reports were made available to the Board
  - Consider Proposals from Register Associates and Nelson Environmental, Inc. for 2015/2016 Mitigation Monitoring. PPI has remained concerned with recent staff turnover and lack of project continuity with Register Associates. PPI solicited competitive proposals, which were made available to the Board, along with summary sheet comparing proposals. PPI recommends awarding contract to Nelson Environmental. Board awarded contract to Nelson Environmental for not to exceed fee of \$185,186.01 as outlined in table, on motion by M. Saxon, second by T. Shelnut, passed unanimously. Board also terminated Register contract for Year 4 for Heritage Park on motion by T. Shelnut, second by J. Benko, passed unanimously.
  
9. **Other Business** – J. Parker reviewed the following
  - **Post Construction Assessment, repair and resurfacing of local roads** – PPI to coordinate with Walton County Public Works department and prepare estimate.
  - **Site Tour**. Tentatively set for March 24, 2015.
  - **Next RMB Meeting date** – Board set Tuesday, March 24, 2015
  
10. **Public Comment** – None.
  
11. **Executive Session** – None.
  
12. **Adjourn:** Board adjourned at approximately 2:40pm on motion by M. Saxon, second by J. Benko, passed unanimously.