

## Meeting Minutes – Hard Labor Creek Reservoir Management Board

Date: 1:00 p.m., Tuesday, October 27, 2015

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

\*\* Board held Joint meeting with Walton County Water & Sewerage Authority ("WCWSA Board")

WCWSA Board Members Present: Ryan Smith (Vice Chairman) Tommy Richardson  
Shirlene Huff Judy McDaniel  
Lester Middlebrooks

HLC Board Members Present: Jim Luke (Chairman) Jeff Benko  
Kevin Little Mark Saxon  
Lee Bradford  
Morris Jordan (Alternate)

Others Present: Bill Crowder Chuck Horton Sarah Bell (filming)  
Jimmy Parker Chip Ferguson John Caudill  
Wayne Haynie

1. **Review/Approval of HLCRMB August 11, 2015 Meeting Minutes.** Approved on motion by M. Saxon, second by K. Little, passed unanimously.
2. **WCWSA August 25, 2015 Meeting Minutes.**
3. **Project Financing/Budget.**
  - J. Parker presented overview on construction budget report for August/September 2015.
4. **Land Acquisition**
  - **Monthly progress update**  
J. Parker reviewed status of land acquisition (see Agenda for parcel numbers and acreage statistics).
5. **Roadway Construction/Relocation**
  - J. Parker reported that E.R. Snell is addressing final punch list items.
6. **Dam/Reservoir Construction** – J. Parker discussed the following:
  - GaEPD approval to begin reservoir impoundment received on September 8, 2015
  - Gates were close at 10:15 am on September 9, 2015
  - Reservoir level currently 647.5 msl

- October 29-30, 2015 – Tentative meeting scheduled with Layne Heavy Civil to discuss status of punch list items, change order requests, liquidated damages, and final project closeout

7. **Reservoir Recreation**

- J.Parker reported that one bid was received for the Phase I improvements to the Public Access Area.
- A reduction in the scope of service was considered to reduce the price of E.R. Snell's bid.
- Board asked to consider whether to award the contract and reduce the price through a change order or reject the bid and authorize PPI to rebid the project. A rebid of the project would delay the filling of the reservoir.
- K. Little made a motion to award the contract to E.R. Snell and to approve Change Order 1 to reduce the contract amount to \$549,490.50, second by J. Benko, passed unanimously.

8. **Water Treatment and Transmission Facilities – Preliminary Design**

- J.Parker discussed water plant tours of other water treatment plants.
- Considered approval of soil borings and geotechnical investigations at the future Water Treatment Plant site.
- M. Saxon made a motion to approve a not to exceed budget of \$84,000 for soil boring and geotechnical investigations and to authorize PPI to solicit competitive proposals for said work, second by J. Benko, passed unanimously.

9. **Apalachee River Intake**

- Jimmy Parker discussed the completion of the preliminary site evaluations, the meeting with the Bracewell-Presley family, the presentation to the North High Shoals City Council and the current survey work.
- Considered proposal from Nelson Environmental for Cultural Resources Review and USACE Coordination for proposed intake site.
- K. Little made a motion to approve Nelson Environmental's proposal for cultural resources review at a cost not to exceed \$8,933.00, second by J. Benko, passed unanimously.
- Considered proposal for preliminary geotechnical rock elevation investigation.
- M. Saxon made a motion to approve geotechnical rock elevation investigation proposal from Golder Associates at a cost not to exceed \$30,150.00, second by K. Little, passed unanimously.
- Considered proposal to perform field review/condition assessment of upper High Shoals Dam.
- J. Benko made a motion to approve proposal from Schnabel Engineering to perform condition assessment of upper High Shoals Dam at a cost not to exceed \$9,500.00, second by M. Saxon, passed unanimously.

10. **Other Business** - J. Parker reviewed the following:

- Considered request of Mr. William E. Lake, 2651 Mount Paran Church Road, for \$945 for alleged cracks in drywall in home. E.R. Snell denied causing cracks. Consensus was to focus on the other concerns raised by Mr. Lake which are currently punch list items that are being addressed.
- PPI and K.Little scheduled to meet with Mr. Homer Wood regarding his pond spillway the week of October 26, 2015.
- Preliminary discussion of potential insurance coverage for reservoir assets.

11. **Public Comment – None.**

12. **Executive Session**

- Board entered Executive Session at 2:49 p.m. to discuss land acquisition and potential litigation matters (motion by K. Little, second by J. Benko, approved unanimously).
- Board exited Executive Session and re-entered Regular Session at 2:57 p.m. (motion by M. Saxon, second by J. Benko, approved unanimously).
- No decisions were made in Executive Session (see affidavit included with these minutes).

K. Little made a motion to approve a resolution authorizing condemnation of parcels 138-17A and C171-84N, second by J.Benko, passed unanimously.

13. **Adjourn:** Board adjourned on motion by K. Little, second by L. Bradford, passed unanimously.