

Meeting Minutes – Hard Labor Creek Reservoir Management Board

Date: 1:00 p.m., Tuesday, March 24, 2015

Location: Board of Commissioners meeting room, Historic Walton County Courthouse, 111 South Broad Street, Monroe, Georgia

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

WCWSA Board Members Present: Brad Johnson (Chairman) Lester Middlebrooks
Ryan Smith Judy McDaniel
Wendell Geiger Shirlene Huff

HLC Board Members Present: Jim Luke (Chairman) Jeff Benko
Kevin Little Mark Saxon
Lee Bradford Brad Johnson
Timmy Shelnett

Others Present: Bill Crowder Morris Jordan Sarah Bell (filming)
Jimmy Parker Chris Atkinson
Chip Ferguson Chuck Horton

1. **Review/Approval of HLC February 17, 2015 Meeting Minutes.** Approved on motion by K. Little, second by L. Bradford, passed unanimously.
2. **WCWSA February 24, 2015 Meeting Minutes.**
3. **Project Financing/Budget.**
 - Jimmy Parker presented overview on construction budget report for February 2015.
 - Updated Assessment on Projected Costs at Completion – April 21, 2015. J. Parker advised that recommendations would be presented to Board (use of bond funds vs. GEFA loan funds).
 - Update on Oconee County Bond Refinancing – Jeff Benko advised that Oconee County was exploring its options (preliminary planning) in refinancing its share of the HLC bonds and asked C. Atkinson to contact bond counsel.
4. **Land Acquisition**
 - **Monthly progress update**
Jimmy Parker reviewed status of land acquisition (see Agenda for parcel numbers and acreage statistics).
5. **Dam/Reservoir Construction** – J. Parker reviewed the following:
 - Progress Update

- Reservoir Clearing: 100% complete (1,100 acres)
 - Concrete Riser Structure: 99% complete
 - Earthen Dam Embankment: 98% complete
 - Labyrinth Weir / Chute Spillway: 80% complete
 - Review progress photos
 - Tentative schedule to initiate reservoir impoundment: April/May 2015. B. Crowder noted the filling schedule is to be approved by Safe Dams.
 - Change order No. 4 with Layne Heavy Civil, Inc. for private pond dam modifications required due to reservoir construction on tax parcel 169-24B – Board approved subcommittee (K. Little, J. Luke, B. Johnson) to evaluate change order pricing and approved change order on motion by K. Little, second by J. Benko, passed unanimously.
 - Project Completion: May 2015
6. **Roadway Relocations** – J. Parker reviewed the following:
- **Social Circle-Fairplay Road Relocation (ER Snell Contractor, Inc.)** –
 - Bridge No. 1: 85% Complete
 - Bridge approaches: 80% complete
 - Review progress photos
 - Discuss Bridge No. 2 Deck Joint Replacement – J. Parker advised we were waiting on CHA's recommendations on sealing gasket
 - Project completion: August 2015
 - **Miscellaneous Road Improvements (Termination/Cul-de-sacs)** –
 - Construction Status: 50% complete
 - Asphalt paving: March 20, 2015.
 - Completion: April 2015
7. **Raw Water Intake Facility** – J. Parker reviewed the following:
- Progress Update
 - RWIS: 98% complete
 - Final deck finish, fencing, access drive, cleanup and grassing pending
 - Review progress photos
 - Project completion: April 2015
8. **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: 75% complete
 - Bid Phase: May-June 2015
 - Construction: July-October 2015
9. **Mitigation Monitoring** – J. Parker reviewed the following
- Review 2014 Annual Report for Hard Labor Creek Flow, Water Quality and Biological Monitoring – Submitted to USACOE on February 16, 2015.
 - Reports were made available for Board review

- Review 2014 Annual Report for Walton County Stream Buffer Protection – Submitted to USACOE on February 16, 2015.
10. **Other Business** – J. Parker reviewed the following
- **Discuss post construction assessment, repair and/or resurfacing of local roads**
 - Preliminary road evaluation with Walton Public Works – March 19, 2015
 - Construction damage observed on Browning Shoals Road, Social Circle-Fairplay Road, Chicks Bridge Road, Lipscomb Road and Grady Lemonds Road
 - Estimate of remediation costs will be presented at April meeting.
 - K. Little: Walton County would use County labor and equipment for repairs
 - **Discuss proceeding with preliminary design for future Water Treatment and Transmission Facilities.**
 - Treatment facility: Establish footprint of facility/structures, phasing alternatives, equipment selection, and projected construction costs. Prepare a 30-50% design.
 - Transmission system: Finalize routing, pipeline sizing, identify easement/acquisition requirements, and projected construction costs
11. **Public Comment – None.**
12. **Executive Session**
- Board entered Executive Session to discuss pending litigation and land acquisition matters (motion by K. Little, second by J. Benko, approved unanimously).
 - Board exited Executive Session (motion by K. Little, second by J. Benko, approved unanimously).
 - No votes were taken in Executive Session (see affidavit included with these minutes).
13. Next HLC Board meeting date is April 21, 2015
14. **Adjourn:** Board adjourned at approximately 2:45pm on motion by J. Benko, second by K. Little, passed unanimously.