

Meeting Minutes – Hard Labor Creek Reservoir Management Board

Date: 1:00 p.m., Tuesday, August 11, 2015

Location: Walton County Historic Courthouse

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

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

*Chairman Luke called the meeting to order at 1:04 p.m. Chairman Luke introduced Wayne Haynie as Oconee County's new Utility Director. Haynie is serving as an alternate for the Hard Labor Creek Reservoir Management Board.

1. **RMB Review/Approval of the June 16, 2015 Meeting Minutes.** Approved on motion by M. Saxon, second by K. Little, passed unanimously.
2. **Project Financing/Budget.**
 - J. Parker/B. Crowder presented overview on construction budget report for June and July 2015.
3. **Land Acquisition**
 - **Monthly progress update**
B. Crowder reviewed status of land acquisition (see Agenda for parcel numbers and acreage statistics).
4. **Dam/Reservoir Construction** – B. Crowder reviewed the following:
 - Progress Update
 - Concrete Riser Structure: 100% Complete
 - Earthen Dam Embankment: 99% Complete
 - Chute Spillway: 99% Complete
 - Review progress photos
 - Review of Georgia EPD Safe Dams Program's response to RMB request to begin early impoundment.
 - Tentative schedule to initiate reservoir impoundment: August 28, 2015.
5. **Roadway Relocations** – B. Crowder reviewed the following:
 - **Social Circle-Fairplay Road Relocation (ER Snell Contractor, Inc.)** –
 - Construction status: 99% Complete;

- Project completion: August 2015
 - **Mount Paran Church Road Culvert (ER Snell Contractor, Inc.) –**
 - Construction Status: 99% Complete
 - Project Completion: August 2015
 - **Miscellaneous Road Improvements (Termination/Cul-de-sacs) –**
 - Construction Status: 99% Complete
 - Completion: August 2015
 - **Post Construction Repair and Resurfacing of Local Roads –**
 - Milling and Patching: 85% Complete
6. **Raw Water Intake Facility –** B. Crowder reviewed the following:
- Progress Update
 - RWIF: 99% Complete
 - Punch list items pending
7. **Other Business** (Item moved up within agenda)
- **Consider Request from Mr. William E. Lake, 2651 Mount Paran Church Road.** L. Bradford reported on his meeting with Mr. Lake. Consensus was to wait to see how ER Snell responds to Mr. Lake before considering any action.
8. **Reservoir Recreation –** B. Crowder reviewed the following (K. Little left meeting):
- Review Construction Plans/Phasing
 - Consider authorization for PPI to initiate advertising and bidding. After discussion, Board approved PPI to initiate advertising and bidding on motion by L. Bradford, second by J. Benko, approved unanimously.
 - Bids Received/Award: September 2015
 - Construction: October 2015 – January 2016
9. **Water Treatment and Transmission Facilities –** B. Crowder reviewed the following:
- **Water Treatment Facility Preliminary Design (CH2M):**
 - Preliminary Design Kickoff Meeting: August 3, 2015
 - Discuss potential dates for facility tours in September 2015.
 - 30% Design Documents: January 2016
 - **Apalachee River Intake –** J. Luke discussed the following:
 - Preliminary site evaluations underway.
 - Topographic and bathymetric surveys complete. J. Luke asked the Board to consider approving the expenses for the survey work that has been completed. The Board approved payment of the survey expenses on motion by B. Johnson, second by L. Bradford, approved unanimously.
 - PPI to prepare a presentation for North High Shoals City Council on future Apalachee River withdrawals. J. Parker and J. Luke to attend.

10. **Environmental Mitigation:**
 - B. Crowder presented proposal from Nelson Environmental, Inc. for the installation of four (4) additional groundwater monitoring wells at the Apalachee River Mitigation Site, as recommended by the US Army Corps of Engineers. After discussion, the Board approved the proposal from Nelson Environmental, Inc. for the installation of four (4) additional groundwater monitoring wells at the Apalachee River Mitigation Site at a cost not to exceed \$7,156.00 on motion by J. Benko, second by M. Saxon, approved unanimously.
11. **Other Business** – New item added to agenda.
 - **Consider request from Mr. Homer Wood to modify pond siphon system to conventional overflow design.** B. Crowder explained that Mr. Wood is not happy with the fluctuations in water level associated with the siphon system installed in his pond as part of the project. The consensus of the Board was for K. Little to meet with Mr. Wood to further discuss his concerns.
12. **Public Comment** – Sarah Bell stated that she supported a payment to Mr. Lake to address his concerns.
13. **Executive Session** – None.
14. **Adjourn:** Board adjourned on motion by M. Jordan, second by L. Bradford, passed unanimously.