

Meeting Minutes – Hard Labor Creek Reservoir Management Board

Date: 1:00 p.m., Tuesday, May 9, 2017

Location: Walton County Historic Courthouse

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

WCWSA Board Members Present: Brad Johnson (Chairman) Wendell Geiger
Shirlene Huff Tommy Richardson
Judy McDaniel

HLC Board Members Present: Mark Saxon (Chairman) Jeff Benko
Kevin Little Brad Johnson
Chuck Horton

Others Present: Bill Crowder Lee Becker Jimmy Parker
Chip Ferguson Mark Nelson Linda Hanna
Chris Butts Wayne Haynie Jason Presley

1. **Review/Approval of HLCRMB February 23, 2017 Meeting Minutes.** Approved on motion by K. Little, second by C. Horton, approved unanimously.
2. **WCWSA February 23, 2017 Meeting Minutes.**
3. **Project Financing/Budget.**
 - J. Parker presented overview on construction budget reports for February 2017, March 2017 and April 2017.
 - J. Parker presented the FY 2018 Construction Budget. A motion to approve the FY 2018 Construction Budget was made by K. Little, second by J. Benko, approved unanimously.
 - L. Hanna discussed the process for classifying expenses as “operations and maintenance” expenses or capital projects for accounting purposes.
4. **Dam/Reservoir Filling** – J. Parker discussed the following:
 - The reservoir currently has 7.8 billion gallons of water, 65% full by volume.
 - Aerial photos of the reservoir from May 2017 were presented.
 - Discussion of buffer encroachment issue.
 - Layne Heavy Civil is currently addressing punch list items pertaining to grassing.
 - Authorization for submittal of FEMA Letter of Map Revision as required by USACOE 404 Permit Special Condition No. 3 as well as payment of \$11,500 application fee to FEMA was approved on motion by K. Little, second by B. Johnson, approved unanimously.

- HLC Dam Operations and Maintenance Plan was adopted on motion J. Benko, second by C. Horton, approved unanimously.

5. **Reservoir Recreation**

- J. Parker led a discussion on the public access/recreation area preliminary design. Sample pictures were shown.
- J. Parker led a discussion of Phase II Construction Budget.
- PPI was authorized to solicit quotes/bids for recreation project elements on motion by C.Horton, second by K. Little, approved unanimously.

6. **Apalachee River Intake**

- A picture of the Intake Facility Conceptual Design was shown.
- Discussion of USACOE Permit Modification Process for Apalachee River Intake Site
 - The analysis of site alternatives was provided to USACOE. J. Parker explained that Site 2 was the superior site.
 - Discussion of Phase 2 Cultural Resources Survey. There are no historical buildings on the site, only 3 mobile homes.
 - Discussion of the importance of sticking to the construction schedule.
 - 30-Day Public Comment Period
- Proposal from Nelson Environmental for USACOE coordination and technical assistance during permit modification process at a cost not to exceed \$50,000 was approved on motion by K. Little, second by C. Horton, approved unanimously.
- Proposal from BCP Environmental for NESHAP Asbestos Survey of three abandoned trailers at a cost of \$1,800 was approved on motion by J. Benko, second by C. Horton, approved unanimously.
- Review of Project Schedule for Apalachee Raw Water Intake Facility.

7. **Other Business**

- A motion for the 2013 Kubota 400 RTV, which is no longer needed for the project, to be sold to Walton County at the fair market price of \$5,200 was made by J. Benko, second by C. Horton, approved unanimously.
- C. Ferguson discussed that liability coverage related to the dam was added through Walton County's insurance policy back in 2015. The projected cost of property insurance coverage on the case was also discussed.

8. **Public Comment – None**

9. **Executive Session**

- The Board entered Executive Session at 2:07 p.m. to discuss land acquisition (motion by K. Little, second by J. Benko, approved unanimously).
- The Board exited Executive Session at 2:25 p.m. and re-entered Regular Session (motion by K. Little, second by J. Benko, approved unanimously).
- No decisions were made in Executive Session (see affidavit included with these minutes).

10. **Adjourn:** Board adjourned on motion by K. Little, second by J. Benko, passed unanimously.