

Meeting Minutes – Hard Labor Creek Reservoir Management Board

Date: 1:00 p.m., Tuesday, February 11, 2020

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
Lester Middlebrooks Tommy Richardson
Ryan Smith Judy McDaniel
Josh Parker

HLC Board Members Present: Mark Saxon (Chairman) Chuck Horton
Kevin Little Brad Johnson
Justin Kirouac Lee Bradford
Morris Jordan (Alternate)

Others Present: Jimmy Parker Chip Ferguson
Lee Becker (filming) Jack Rice
David Thompson Jeff Robertson
Melba Cooper Sharon Swanepoel
D. D. Quillian

1. **Adoption of HLCRMB Meeting Agenda.** Agenda approved on motion by C. Horton, second by K. Little, approved unanimously.
2. **Adoption of WCWSA Meeting Agenda.**
3. **Review/Approval of HLCRMB August 8, 2019 Meeting Minutes.** Approved with addition of D. D. Quillian to list of Others Present on motion by J. Kirouac, second by C. Horton, approved unanimously.
4. **Review/Approval of WCWSA August 8, 2019 Meeting Minutes.**
5. **Public Comment:** L. Bradford introduced citizen Jeff Robertson. M. Saxon introduced Josh Parker as new member of the WCWSA.
6. **Project Financing/Budget:**
 - Review of Construction Budget for Q1 and Q2 of FY 2020 (July-December 2019)

7. **Reservoir Management:**
 - **Approved purchase of new Water Quality Monitoring Unit (AquaTroll) in the amount of \$8,150.00 for downstream monitoring at the Hard Labor Creek Reservoir Dam as required by the USACOE 404 permit. Approved on motion by B. Johnson, second by J. Kirouac, approved unanimously.**
 - **Approved quote from J&M Contracting for maintenance/repairs to the HLC Storage Barn (Green Barn) in the amount of \$975.00. Approved on motion by B. Johnson, second by C. Horton, approved unanimously.**
 - **Approved contract amendment with Nelson Environmental for 2020 Water Quality Monitoring downstream of the Hard Labor Creek Reservoir Dam at an amount not to exceed \$28,000.00. Approved on motion by K. Little, second by J. Kirouac, approved unanimously.**
 - **Approved transfer of 3.00 acres of property to Walton County for the construction of a new Walton County Fire Station of Social Circle-Fairplay Road. Approved on motion by L. Bradford, second by K. Little, approved unanimously.**
 - J. Parker and C. Ferguson discussed status of work by E&P General Contractors at the Recreation Area Restroom Facility and the Water Filtration System.
 - Discussed the cutting of potentially hazardous tress within the reservoir pool near Mount Paran Church Road. The consensus was to proceed with bids for approval by the Executive Committee.

8. **Apalachee River Intake:**
 - Discussed status of USACE 404 permit minor modification and Presley FERC permit surrender process.
 - **Approved Joint Funding Agreement with USGS for installation and maintenance of a new stream flow and water quality monitoring station on the Apalachee River at Snows Mill Road in the amount of \$10,050.00 for the period from February 1, 2020 to September 30, 2020 (\$15,100.00 annually). Approved on motion by K. Little, second by J. Kirouac, approved unanimously.**
 - Design of River Intake Structure to resume March-April 2020 (CH2M-Hill/Jacobs)

9. **Water Withdrawal Permit Renewal:**
 - Georgia EPD forwarded the DRAFT water withdrawal permit for the Apalachee River on January 28, 2020. Reservoir withdrawal permit being drafted.
 - Anticipated 30-day public comment period: March 2020
 - Anticipated final permit issuance: May-June 2020

10. **Other Business:** None.

11. **Executive Session:** None.

12. **Adjourn:** Board adjourned on motion by K. Little, second by J. Kirouac, approved unanimously.