

**WITHLACOOCHEE REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL
BOARD OF DIRECTORS ANNUAL MEETING**

DATE: December 9, 2010
TIME: 7:00 P.M.
PLACE: Withlacoochee Regional Planning Council
1241 S. W. 10th Street
Ocala, FL 34471-0323

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Ken Hinkle, Citrus County Municipal Representative
Rebecca Bays, Citrus County Commissioner
Dennis Damato, Citrus County Commissioner
Bill Murray, Citrus County Governor's Appointee
Avis Craig, Citrus County Governor's Appointee
Joe Johnston, III, Hernando County Municipal Representative
James Adkins, Hernando County Commissioner
Charlie Stone, Marion County Commissioner
Ed Abshier, Marion County Governor's Appointee
Martha Hanson, Marion County Governor's Appointee
Suzy Heinbockel, City of Ocala Municipal Representative
Ronald Allen, Sumter County Municipal Representative
Richard Hoffman, Sumter County Commissioner
Joe Quinn, representing Richard Owen, SWFWMD Non-Voting, Ex-Officio
Member

MEMBERS ABSENT:

John J. "JJ" Kenney, Citrus County Commissioner
Wayne Dukes, Hernando County Commissioner
David Russell, Hernando County Commissioner
Buddy "Walter" Selph, Hernando County Governor's Appointee
Pat O'Neal, Levy County Municipal Representative
Ryan Bell, Levy County Commissioner
Danny Stevens, Levy County Commissioner
Fred Ward, Marion County Municipal Representative
Carl Zalak, III, Marion County Commissioner
Kathy Bryant, Marion County Commissioner
Mike Amsden, Marion County Commissioner
Edward Kelly, Marion County Governor's Appointee
Garry Breeden, Sumter County Commissioner
Ed Nowe, Sumter County Governor's Appointee

Glenn Horvath, Non-Voting, Ex-Officio Member representing SJRWMD

Deborah Getzoff, Non-Voting, Ex-Officio Member representing DEP

OTHERS PRESENT:

Fred Landt, WRPC Attorney

Diana Johnston, guest

Pat Damato, guest

Mike Bays, guest

STAFF PRESENT:

Michael R. Moehlman, Executive Director

Glenda J. Roberts, Office Manager

Bruce Day, Planning Director

David Connolly, Senior Planner

Lauren Yeatter, Planner I

B. J. Fowler, Administrative Assistant II

Bill Taylor, Geo Database Manager

Michael Arnold, Principal Planner

AGENDA ITEM #1 - CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by the Chair, Mr. Ronald Allen.

AGENDA ITEM #2 - INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Invocation was given by Mr. Damato and the Pledge of Allegiance followed.

AGENDA ITEM #3 - WELCOME, INTRODUCTIONS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Allen welcomed everyone to the meeting and asked that they introduce themselves.

AGENDA ITEM #4 - OUTGOING BOARD MEMBER RECOGNITION

Mr. Allen announced the outgoing WRPC Board members and they were as follows.

Joe Meek, Citrus County Commissioner

Winn Webb, Citrus County Commissioner

Maureen McNiff, Citrus County Municipal Representative
Rose Rocco, Hernando County Commissioner
John Druzbeck, Hernando County Commissioner
Nancy Bell, Levy County Commissioner
Barbara Fitos, Marion County Commissioner
Stan McClain, Marion County Commissioner
Mary Sue Rich, City of Ocala Representative

AGENDA ITEM #5 - SWEARING IN OF NEW BOARD MEMBERS

Attorney Fred Landt administered the oath of office to the new Board members that were present. They were:

Rebecca Bays, Citrus County Commissioner
Suzy Heinbockel, City of Ocala Representative

AGENDA ITEM #6 - ROLL CALL

Ms. Roberts called the roll and a quorum was present.

AGENDA ITEM #7 - ADOPTION OF AGENDA

A motion was made by Mr. Johnston and seconded by Mr. Murray to adopt the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION TO ADOPT
AGENDA AS
PRESENTED

AGENDA ITEM #8 - APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 16, 2010 BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

A motion was made by Mr. Murray and seconded by Mr. Johnston to approve the minutes of the September 16, 2010 Board of Directors meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION TO
APPROVE MINUTES

AGENDA ITEM #9 - REGULAR BUSINESS

A. Staff Recognition

Mr. Moehlman asked staff members to introduce themselves and give an overview of their job at the Council. Ms. Roberts also updated the Board on staff giving to entities and those in need. Mr. Allen thanked staff for all they do.

B. Employee of the Year Award

Mr. Moehlman announced the employee of the year, Ms. Lauren Yeatter. She was presented with an engraved clock and will receive a \$200 savings bond as well as a day off from work.

C. Nominating Committee Report and Election of Officers

Mr. Hoffman presented the Nominating Committee Report from their meeting held prior to Open House.

Slate of Officers and Executive Committee members for 2011:

Joseph E. Johnston, III, Chair, from Hernando County

Dennis Damato, Vice Chair, from Citrus County

Martha Hanson, Secretary, from Marion County

Additional members to complete the Executive Committee:

Ryan Bell, Levy County

Clark Ed Nowe, Sumter County

Avis Craig, Citrus County

A motion was made by Mr. Stone and seconded by Mr. Abshier to accept the Nominating Committee's report and approve the slate of officers as presented with the additional Executive Committee members. Motion carried unanimously.

**MOTION TO ACCEPT
NOMINATING
COMMITTEE REPORT**

Mr. Moehlman presented Mr. Ronald Allen with a plaque. He added that at the time the plaque was prepared he didn't know he wouldn't be Chair again, but appreciated working with him. Mr. Allen thanked the Board and staff for their support.

D. Evacuation Plan Presentation

Bruce Day and Lauren Yeatter presented an informative overview of the Evacuation Plan.

E. HMEP Contract

Mr. Arnold noted that the Hazardous Materials Emergency Preparedness contract provides funds for training of emergency response personnel and others in our region. This contract also allows for a planning project which will be a Commodity Flow Study. The amount of the contract is \$48,607.

A motion was made by Mr. Adkins and seconded by Mr. Damato to approve the HMEP contract and authorize the Chair or executive director to sign. Motion carried unanimously.

F. DEP Exercise

Mr. Arnold noted that DEP is wanting the WRPC to contract with them on an exercise. He stated that Emergency Response Educators and Consultants (EREC), Inc. will be the contractor. The amount of the contract will be around \$ 60,000 to 70,000.

A motion was made by Mr. Johnston and seconded by Ms. Bays to approve a contract with DEP for an exercise and the Chair or executive director be authorized to sign any necessary paperwork. Motion carried unanimously.

G. Levy LMS

Mr. Arnold explained that the Local Mitigation Strategy (LMS) is a group of strategies to mitigate hazards. Levy County is requesting that we contract with them to assist them with this project. The amount of the contract is \$9,000.

A motion was made by Mr. Damato and seconded by Mr. Johnston to approve the Levy LMS contract and authorize the Chair or executive director to sign. Motion carried unanimously.

H. Review of Executive Director

Mr. Allen presented the Executive Committee's report regarding Mr. Moehlman's performance review. He stated that Mr. Moehlman received a 3.42 average on his review. Mr. Allen noted that he has talked with Mr. Moehlman and he would like to suggest something to the Board. Mr. Moehlman stated he does not need an increase – his salary is fine. He said if the Board wants to do anything they could give him a bonus of 10 days leave time. He felt the Board has always been good to him.

After some discussion, a motion was made by Mr. Stone and seconded by Mr. Hoffman to leave as is.

During discussion, there was a question as to how much leave time Mr. Moehlman receives. Mr. Moehlman responded that all of our employees who have been employed for 10 or more years receive 31 days per year and he receives an

MOTION TO APPROVE HMEP CONTRACT

MOTION TO APPROVE CONTRACT WITH DEP

MOTION TO APPROVE LEVY LMS CONTRACT

MOTION TO LEAVE MR. MOEHLMAN'S CONTRACT AS IS

additional 17 days per his contract. He noted that due to his health in prior months, he had to use a considerable amount of leave time. Mr. Johnston commented that he didn't have a problem with giving Mr. Moehlman a one time bonus of 10 additional days.

Mr. Allen stated that there was a motion on the floor. Mr. Landt clarified that the motion was to approve as is and that Mr. Johnston could offer an amendment. The amendment would have to be voted on first.

Mr. Johnston offered an amendment and it was seconded by Mr. Damato to give Mr. Moehlman a one time bonus of 10 days leave time. The motion carried with 8 for and 4 against.

A motion was made by Mr. Murray and seconded by Mr. Johnston to approve Mr. Moehlman's contract as amended to include the one time bonus of 10 days leave time. The motion carried with 8 for and 4 against.

VOTE ON
AMENDMENT

AGENDA ITEM #10 - OTHER BUSINESS

Mr. Allen stated that Mr. Hinkle arrived late but needed to be sworn in by Attorney Fred Landt.

MOTION TO
APPROVE MR.
MOEHLMAN'S
CONTRACT AS
AMENDED

AGENDA ITEM #11 - CHAIR'S REPORT

Mr. Allen thanked everyone for coming and also the Board for supporting him during his tenure as Chair of the WRPC. He wished everyone a happy holiday season.

Mr. Allen announced the next meeting scheduled for Thursday, January 20, 2011, at 7:00 p.m. at the WRPC office in Ocala.

AGENDA ITEM #12 - DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Mr. Moehlman stated that it has been a pleasure to work with Mr. Allen as Chair. He noted that the audit will be on the next agenda and the Legislature will be starting up early next year. Mr. Moehlman announced the passing of Ms. Carolyn Dekle, Executive Director of the South West Florida Regional Planning Council.

AGENDA ITEM #13 - ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:58 p.m. by Chairman Allen who will turn the gavel over to the new Chair, Mr. Joseph E. Johnston, III.

Joseph E. Johnston, III, Chair