

Minutes of Board of Directors Meeting
PEACE RIVER MANASOTA REGIONAL WATER SUPPLY AUTHORITY
Southwest Florida Water Management District
Sarasota Service Office, 6750 Fruitville Road, Sarasota, Florida

February 25, 2016

Board Members Present:

Commissioner Christopher G. Constance, Charlotte County, Chair
Commissioner Alan Maio, Sarasota County, Vice Chair
Commissioner John R. Chappie, Manatee County
Commissioner James Selph, DeSoto County [Alternate]

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Staff Present:

Mike Coates, Deputy Director
Doug Manson, General Counsel
Kevin Morris, Science and Technology Officer
Ann Lee, Finance/Administration Manager
Linda Stewart, Executive Secretary

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Regional Water Supply Authority**

Others Present:

A list of others present who signed the attendance roster for this meeting is filed with the permanent records of the Authority.

CALL TO ORDER

INVOCATION

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

AGENDA

**1. Regional Integrated Loop System Phase 1 Interconnect [U.S. 17 to Punta Gorda]
Presented by Mike Coates, Deputy Director and Doug Manson, General Counsel**

Mr. Coates presented a location map showing the Phase 1 pipeline route and the Punta Gorda RO project. Mr. Coates said this item includes four documents for Board consideration.

a. Interlocal Agreement with DeSoto County for Phase 1 Interconnect

Mr. Manson said the Interlocal Agreement formally establishes DeSoto County's sponsorship and provides host county consent for the Phase 1 Interconnect in DeSoto County.

Motion was made by Commissioner Chappie, seconded by Commissioner Maio, to approve Interlocal Agreement between Peace River Manasota Regional Water Supply Authority and DeSoto County for Phase 1 Regional Interconnect. Motion was approved unanimously.

b. SWFWMD Funding Agreement

Mr. Manson said the SWFWMD Governing Board approved the \$6M cooperative funding request at their January 19, 2016 meeting. What is unique about the Authority's project is the SWFWMD Governing Board approved 75% funding of eligible costs due to the DeSoto County REDI [Rural Economic Development Initiative] status. Mr. Manson said there was a lot of hard work by a lot of people at SWFWMD, Punta Gorda and all the member governments and he appreciated their efforts.

Motion was made by Commissioner Selph, seconded by Commissioner Maio, to approve and authorize Executive Director to execute Cooperative Funding Agreement (2) between Southwest Florida Water Management District and Peace River Manasota Regional Water Supply Authority for Phase 1 Regional Interconnect (N416). Motion was approved unanimously.

c. Contract for Professional Services

Mr. Coates said this is the Authority's standard contract for professional engineering and design services and provides the legal framework under which work orders for engineering services will be issued for the Phase 1 Interconnect. The design engineer is King Engineering Associates, Inc.

Motion was made by Commissioner Chappie, seconded by Commissioner Selph, to approve and authorize Executive Director to execute Contract for Professional Engineering Services for Design and Construction Management/Inspection for Regional Integrated Loop System Phase 1 Interconnect with King Engineering Associates, Inc. Motion was approved unanimously.

d. Work Order No. 1 'Phase 1 Interconnect Preliminary Design Services'

Mr. Coates said Work Order No. 1 for preliminary design services on the Phase 1 Interconnect includes route study and recommendation, connection points, sizing of pipes, permitting requirements and project cost estimates. The cost is \$278,760 and includes a \$20,000 owner's allowance for out-of-scope work if required. Mr. Coates said staff believes this is a reasonable price for these services and is in the range of preliminary design services that we have seen on past pipeline projects.

Motion was made by Commissioner Maio, seconded by Commissioner Chappie, to approve and authorize Executive Director to execute Work Order No. 1 'Phase 1 Interconnect Preliminary Design Services' with King Engineering Associates, Inc. for an amount not to exceed \$278,760. Motion was approved unanimously.

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Commissioner Selph said he was glad to sit in for Commissioner Langford. He said to me we are light years ahead of the rest of the state in water and are the envy of the state. He commended everyone from the Board to the Authority staff and SWFWMD staff that has been involved in this. He said I think it is amazing.

Commissioner Maio said he was glad to finally see all of the pieces come together.

Commissioner Chappie said this is another important step in the regional system and agrees we are the envy of the rest of the state. He said it works here probably better than any place else around and that is why we have a sustainable water supply and reasonably priced and we are constantly working on it. We have a crack 'A' team at the Authority and crack 'A' teams at the four counties. It is great to be a

member of this Board and it serves such a great importance for all four of our counties because if you don't have water you are not going to grow as a community, you are not going to be that quality community where people want to live and want their kids to live. It is the backbone of what you have to have to have a sustainable community and we are working on that as a region and that is not always an easy task but we work it out and we move forward.

Commissioner Constance said I agree and you are right. If your community does not have a water solution it can become very expensive and that really limits your economic development. Commissioner Constance thanked Commissioner Selph for attending and my fellow Board members for attending this adhoc meeting but it was that important that we get it done. He appreciated staff doing all of the hard work. He said on Tuesday Charlotte County BOCC passed on their consent agenda the ability to go ahead and put the line in to Charlotte County so we are good to go.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

SCHEDULE OF FUTURE MEETINGS

Next Authority Board Meeting

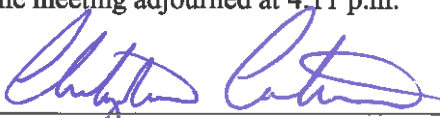
Wednesday, April 6, 2016 @ 9:30 a.m.
Manatee County Administrative Center
Commission Chambers, First Floor
1112 Manatee Avenue West, Bradenton, Florida

Future Authority Board Meetings

June 1, 2016 @ 9:30 a.m. – DeSoto County Administration Building, Arcadia, Florida
August 3, 2016 @ 9:30 a.m. – Charlotte County Administration Center, Port Charlotte, Florida
October 5, 2016 @ 9:30 a.m. – Sarasota County Administration Center, Sarasota, Florida
December 7, 2016 @ 9:30 a.m. – Manatee County Administrative Center, Bradenton, Florida

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 4:11 p.m.



Commissioner Christopher G. Constance
Chair

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