

Minutes of Board of Directors Meeting
PEACE RIVER MANASOTA REGIONAL WATER SUPPLY AUTHORITY
Manatee County Administration Center
Patricia M. Glass Commission Chambers
1112 Manatee Ave. West, Bradenton, Florida

April 3, 2019

Board Members Present:

Commissioner Elton Langford, DeSoto County, Chairman
Commissioner Ken Doherty, Charlotte County, Vice Chairman
Commissioner Alan Maio, Sarasota County
Commissioner Priscilla Trace, Manatee County

Staff Present

Patrick Lehman, Executive Director
Doug Manson, General Counsel
Mike Coates, Deputy Director
Ann Lee, Finance & Administration Manager
Kevin Morris, Engineering & Projects Manager
Richard Anderson, System Operations Manager
Rachel Kersten, Agency Clerk

Others Present:

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

CALL TO ORDER

Commissioner Maio called the meeting to order at 9:31 a.m.

INVOCATION

Douglas Manson offered the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Board led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States.

WELCOME GUESTS

Welcoming remarks were made by Manatee County Administrator, Cheri Coryea.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

No public comments were made.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Doug Manson, General Counsel, conducted the election of officers and opened the floor for nominations.

Commissioner Trace nominated Commissioner Langford as Chairman.

Commissioner Maio nominated Commissioner Doherty as Vice-Chairman.

Mr. Manson received the nominations and consent to close nominations. Nomination of Commissioner Langford for Chairman and Commissioner Doherty for Vice-Chairman was approved unanimously.

Commissioner Maio passed the gavel to Commissioner Langford as newly elected chairman.

RESOLUTIONS/PRESENTATIONS

1. Florida Department of Environmental Protection 2018 Drinking Water Plant Operations Excellence Award

The Florida Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) recently recognized the Peace River Facility with their '2018 Drinking Water Plant Operations Excellence Award' in recognition of outstanding treatment plant operation, maintenance and compliance. Terry Cerullo, Ombudsman for the DEP South District and Ryan Snyder, Environmental Manager for the DEP South District, presented the award to Authority staff Richard Anderson, System Operations Manager, on behalf of the Authority.

2. Leadership Manatee Program Certificate – Kevin Morris

The Authority recognized Kevin Morris for successful completion of the Leadership Manatee Program sponsored by the Manatee Chamber of Commerce. The program consists of a comprehensive series of lecture, discussions and field trips designed to expose current and emerging community leaders to the present and future needs of Manatee County. He has also been appointed to a 3-year term on the Junior Leadership Manatee Board of Directors working with local high school students who will become leaders of tomorrow.

3. Water Conservation Campaign

Terri Holcomb introduced 'Otter Savewater' to promote the value of water to the public and business community to build understanding and investment in our water supply as part of recognition of April as 'Water Conservation Month'.

CONSENT AGENDA

Commissioner Doherty requested Consent Item 7 be removed for discussion.

- 1. Approve Minutes of February 6, 2019 Board of Directors Meeting.**
- 2. Approve Resolution 2019-02 'Recognition of the Month of April as Water Conservation Month'.**
- 3. Approve Resolution 2019-03 'Recognition of National Drinking Water Week'.**
- 4. Ratify First Amendment to Agreement between the Southwest Florida Water Management District and Peace River Manasota Regional Water Supply Authority for PRMRWSA Regional Integrated Loop System Phase 3B Interconnect.**

5. Award and authorize Executive Director to execute Contracts for Purchase of Water Treatment Chemicals with the recommended lowest responsible and responsive bidders.
6. Award and authorize Executive Director to execute Contract for Sludge Loading and Hauling Services to the lowest responsible and responsive bidder, D.M. Construction Corp.
8. Approve Amendments to Continuing Services Contracts to Conform to Authority’s Procurement Policy as amended December 5, 2018.
9. Approve Declaration of Surplus as listed; authorize the Executive Director to arrange for the public sale through auction of said materials and dispose of any materials left unsold.

Motion was made by Commissioner Trace, seconded by Commissioner Doherty, to approve the Consent Agenda, with the exception of Item 7. Motion was approved unanimously.

7. First Amendment to Lease Agreement between Peace River Manasota Regional Water Supply Authority (Successor Landlord) and Kerkering, Barberio & Co. and KB Pension Services, Inc.

Commissioner Doherty stated that he understood and appreciated all of the information provided by staff. However, he will be obligated to vote no on this item.

Motion was made by Commissioner Maio, seconded by Commissioner Trace to approve Consent Item 7, First Amendment to Lease Agreement between Peace River Manasota Regional Water Supply Authority (Successor Landlord) and Kerkering, Barberio & Co. and KB Pension Services, Inc. Motion was approved three-to-one with Commissioner Doherty voting no.

REGULAR AGENDA

1. Water Supply Conditions – Staff Presentation

Richard Anderson presented the Water Supply Conditions at the Peace River Facility as of January 20, 2019.

- Water Supply Quantity: Excellent
- Treated Water Quality: Excellent

January Water Demand	26.2 MGD
January River Withdrawals	24.6 MGD
<u>Storage Volume:</u>	
Reservoirs	6.8 BG
ASR	<u>7.8 BG</u>
Total	14.6 BG

Mr. Anderson reviewed the historical monthly Peace River flow for the past 3 years. He stated that current river flow is about 1,000 CFS which is well above normal for the month of January. Currently the Authority is only withdrawing 26 to 30 MGD from the river, which is enough to keep reservoir storage full.

Reservoir storage as of yesterday is right at 6.8 BG. Mr. Anderson stated that the ASR system is still in storage mode with over 7.8 BG in storage.

Mr. Anderson said the Authority and its customers have about 105 MGD in average day production capacity. In the month of December, 26 MGD was delivered by the Authority and 46.5 MGD was produced by Authority customers for a total regional production of 69.1 MGD. Of that amount, about 3.5 MGD was exported to non-Authority customers. This makes the total water demand for Authority Customers approximately 65.6 MGD for the month.

Mr. Anderson reviewed the current demand and supply conditions for each of the members/customers for the month of December and the cumulative historical annual average usage of the region.

Mr. Anderson also presented a graph estimating net usable amount of water in the reservoir and the ASR system in response to Commissioner Doherty's request from the last Board meeting.

GENERAL COUNSEL'S REPORT

1. Peace River Facility Water Use Permit

Mr. Manson informed the Board that all litigants had approved the settlement documents and the Authority has entered into the 'Peace River Cooperation Settlement Agreement' with the Polk Regional Water Cooperative (PRWC) and seven other litigants and the Southwest Florida Water Management District issued the 50-year Water Use Permit to the Authority in February. The Settlement Agreement provides for the establishment of a Coordinating Committee consisting of the Authority, PRWC and other parties which desire to participate (Section VIII of the Settlement Agreement) to share/gather information on matters of common interest in the Peace River Watershed.

The PRWC approved the 'Peace River Interlocal Cooperation Agreement' at its meeting on March 20, 2019. Staff recommendation is for Authority Board approval of the 'Peace River Interlocal Cooperation Agreement'.

Motion was made by Commissioner Doherty, seconded by Commissioner Trace to approve 'Peace River Interlocal Cooperation Agreement'.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

1. Legislative Update

Mr. Lehman provided the Board with a legislative update. Authority staff has attended and presented at all four county delegation meetings, as well as in Tallahassee. Representative Grant and Senator Albritton are sponsoring our request for state appropriation of \$1M for the Partially Treated Water ASR Project.

Mr. Lehman also announced that we recently received a letter from the FDEP, and he is proud to say that we will receive the 2018 Drinking Water Operations Excellence Award.

ROUTINE STATUS REPORTS

There were no Board comments on routine status reports.

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Commissioner Maio recognized and thanked both staff and the team of consultants for their work in securing a 50-year Water Use Permit for the Authority. He commented that accomplishing such a feat is a big deal and makes for a momentous day.

There were no additional Board member comments.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no additional public comments.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chairman Langford announced the following:

Friends of Peace Water, Inc. Annual BBQ
Friday, May 10, 2019 @ 11:30 a.m. – Peace River Facility

Next Authority Board Meeting
Wednesday, May 29, 2019 @ 9:30 a.m.
Sarasota County Administration Center
1660 Ringing Boulevard, Sarasota, Florida

Future Authority Board Meeting
Wednesday, July 31, 2019 @ 9:30 a.m. - Desoto County
Wednesday, October 2m 2019 @ 9:20 a.m. - Charlotte County

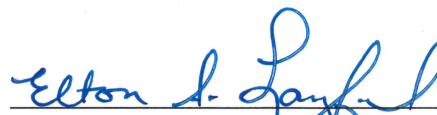
ADJOURNEMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 9:54 a.m.

BOARD APPROVED

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**Peace River Manasota
Regional Water Supply Authority**



Commissioner Elton A. Langford
Chairman