

Minutes of Board of Directors Meeting
PEACE RIVER MANASOTA REGIONAL WATER SUPPLY AUTHORITY
Charlotte County Administration Center
Commission Chambers, Room 119
18500 Murdock Circle, Port Charlotte, Florida
December 1, 2021 @ 9:30 a.m.

Board Members Present:

Commissioner Alan Maio, Sarasota County, Chairman
Commissioner J.C. Deriso, DeSoto County
Commissioner Bill Truex, Charlotte County
Commissioner George Kruse, Manatee County

Staff Present:

Mike Coates, Executive Director
Chris Tanner, General Counsel
Richard Anderson, Director of Operations
Terri Holcomb, Director of Engineering
Ann Lee, Finance & Budget Senior Manager
Rachel Kersten, Agency Clerk

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

Commissioner Maio called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

INVOCATION

Commissioner J.C. Deriso offered the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

WELCOME GUESTS

Commissioner Maio recognized and welcomed Commissioner J.C. Deriso from DeSoto County as Commissioner Langford's alternate. He also noted that Mr. Chris Tanner was on the dais as a substitute for Authority General Counsel, Doug Manson.

HOST COUNTY REMARKS

Hector Flores, Charlotte County Administrator, made welcoming remarks.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Public comment was made by Mr. Tim Ritchie.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. **Approve Minutes of the October 1, 2021 Board of Directors Meeting**
2. **Approve Minutes of the October 1, 2021 Board of Directors Workshop**
3. **Approve Board of Directors Meeting Schedule for CY 2022**
4. **Approve Special District Public Facilities Report (December 2021)**
5. **Approve CY 2022 Peace River Hydrobiological Monitoring Program Work Order with Janicki Environmental**
6. **Approve SWFWMD Cooperative Funding Agreement 22CF0003723 for PRMRWSA Regional Acquisition of Project Prairie Pumping and Storage Facilities**
7. **Approve FDEP Grant Funding Agreement LPA0208 for Peace River Manasota Project Prairie Regional Pumping and Storage Facilities**
8. **Approve ‘Statewide Mutual Aid Agreement’ with Florida Division of Emergency Management**

Motion was made by Commissioner Truex, seconded by Commissioner Kruse, to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion was approved unanimously.

REGULAR AGENDA

1. Water Supply Conditions and Year-End Summary for FY 2021

Richard Anderson presented Water Supply Conditions at the Peace River Facility as of November 15, 2021 and the year-end summary for FY 2021.

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

November Water Demand	25.13 MGD
November River Withdrawals	53.00 MGD
<u>Storage Volume:</u>	
Reservoirs	6.68 BG
ASR	<u>8.76 BG</u>
Total	15.44 BG

Commissioner Maio thanked Mr. Anderson and pointed out that all storage elements were full, and our water supply is secure.

2. Peace River Reservoir No. 3 Project (PR³) Siting and Feasibility Study

Terri Holcomb along with Katie Duty from HDR Engineering, the Authority’s Consultant for the PR³ Project, provided the third project update to the Board as well as presented a summary of the draft Siting and Feasibility Report submitted to Authority staff on November 3rd for review and comment. The

presentation included an overview of the key alternative siting locations for the reservoir, reservoir sizing recommendation, intake pump station recommended location, conveyance piping (River to Reservoir No. 3, and Reservoir System to Water Treatment Facilities) as well as the associated mitigation requirements and opportunities.

Commissioner Truex complimented Ms. Duty on a good presentation and said he enjoyed it.

Commissioner Maio echoed the praise and expressed that the entire team has done an amazing job. With regard to the question on reservoir capacity of 6 – 9 BG, he offered that he felt this would end up being a 9 BG reservoir.

3. Updated Feasibility of Solar Power Options at the Peace River Facility

Richard Anderson along with Steven King from Black & Veatch presented the results of the recently completed update to the 2018 Renewable Energy Study at the Authority's Peace River Facility for Board consideration.

The update provided information on four solar project options evaluated in 2018 considering the current technology advancements that improve equipment performance, require less space at lower capital cost, which results in reductions to the payback periods for the four previously (2018) evaluated alternative configurations of ground mounted solar PV systems in the vicinity of the PRF.

Commissioner Deriso offered that he thought floating arrays might reduce evaporative losses from the reservoir system.

Commissioner Maio said that in holding the second signatory role on checks for the Authority, he knows how big the checks have been to FPL. He said that Sarasota County has been following some rulemaking developments and are considering solar arrays at lift stations. He thanked the team and asked staff to please keep watching this topic for further developments.

GENERAL COUNSEL'S REPORT

1. Revisions to Agreements for Project Prairie Pumping and Storage Facility

Mr. Tanner explained that at the October 1, 2021 meeting the Board approved an Interlocal Agreement, Purchase and Sale Agreement and Operational Protocol for Authority acquisition of the Project Prairie Pumping and Storage Facility from DeSoto County. Subsequent meetings and discussions with DeSoto County staff have yielded some proposed changes for the Authority Board to consider. Mr. Tanner reviewed the proposed changes to those agreements and asked for a Board motion to ratify the October 1, 2021 approved motion on this item incorporating the recent changes to the Interlocal Agreement and Purchase and Sale Agreement as presented.

Motion was made by Commissioner Truex, seconded by Commissioner Kruse, to (1) approve Interlocal Agreement Between Peace River Manasota Regional Water Supply Authority and DeSoto County for Regional Acquisition of Project Prairie Facilities, (2) approve Purchase and Sale Agreement for the Project Prairie Facilities, (3) approve and authorize the Executive Director to execute Project Prairie Facilities Operational Protocol, and (4) Authorize the Executive Director and General Counsel to approve changes to these documents that may be required for DeSoto County approval. Motion was approved unanimously.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Mr. Coates had no additional updates for the Board.

ROUTINE STATUS REPORTS

There were no Board comments on routine status reports.

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

There were no additional Board Member comments.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no additional public comments.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Next Authority Board Meeting

February 2, 2022 @ 9:30 a.m.

Peace River Facility

Water Quality and Training Facility

8998 SW County Rd. 769, Arcadia, Florida

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 10:31 a.m.

BOARD APPROVED

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Peace River Manasota
Regional Water Supply Authority



Commissioner Alan Maio
Chairman