

Minutes
Board of Natural Resources
2 Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive, S.E.
Suite 1252 East Tower
Atlanta, GA 30334

September 23, 2015

Attending:

Board Members

Ray Lambert, Chairman
William Bagwell, Vice Chairman
Aaron McWhorter, Secretary
Nancy Addison
Dwight Davis
Dwight Evans
Duncan Johnson, Jr.
Bill Jones
Rob Leebern
Mark Mobley
Mike Phelps
Matt Sawhill
Paul Shailendra
Bodine Sinyard
Brother Stewart
Philip Watt
Philip Wilheit
Dee Yancey

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The September 23, 2015 meeting of the Board of Natural Resources was called to order by Ray Lambert, Chairman of the Board of Natural Resources.

Chairman Lambert called on State Representative Andy Welch, District 110, who delivered the moment of inspiration.

Chairman Lambert read a Resolution honoring Sgt. Chris Hodge for his role in successfully resuscitating a driver involved in a serious accident.

A motion was made by Dr. Watt, seconded by Ms. Addison and carried unanimously to approve the Resolution honoring Conservation Sergeant Chris Hodge. (Resolution attached and made a part thereof)

Chairman Lambert adjourned the Board meeting to begin the Committee meetings.

The Board meeting was called to order by Chairman Lambert.

Chairman Lambert called for a motion to approve the minutes of the August 2015 Board meeting.

A motion was made by Mr. Sinyard, seconded by Ms. Addison and carried unanimously to approve the August 2015 minutes of the Board of Natural Resources.

Chairman Lambert called on Mark Williams, Commissioner of the Department of Natural Resources, for his Commissioner's Report.

Commissioner Williams recognized Cpl. Greg Wade for receiving the 2015 Conservation Law Enforcement Award from the Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies. He stated Cpl. Wade is known for his work in the area of waterfowl protection, boating safety and investigations. He further stated he was the recipient of the 2013 Rocky Wainwright Waterfowl Officer of the Year and the 2014 LED Ranger of the Year. He added that he was very proud of Cpl. Wade's work and national level achievement.

Commissioner Williams recognized Cpl. Jason Roberson for receiving the 2015 Boating Officer of the Year award from the National Association of State Boating Law Administrators. He stated Cpl. Roberson has been highly successful in enforcing BUI laws and pursuing those who participate in illegal drug activity around Lake Lanier. He further stated Cpl. Roberson was the Georgia DNR LED's 2014 Boating Officer of the Year and Boating Officer of the Year from the Southern States Boating Law Administrators. He added the work Cpl. Roberson does on Lake Lanier is essential to boating safety and protecting lives in Georgia and he was very proud of his accomplishments.

Commissioner Williams stated Amy Hillman had been named the next Chairman of the Georgia Natural Resources Foundation. He encouraged the Board members to attend the third annual Governor's Gala hosted by the Foundation at the Governor's Mansion on October 27th.

Commissioner Williams stated the Weekend for Wildlife Sponsorship Task Force met yesterday. He encouraged all the Board members to attend Weekend for Wildlife.

Commissioner Williams stated the Department would be holding a Legislative Listening Session at Charlie Elliott Wildlife Center in November. He further stated it would be an opportunity for staff to speak with key legislators about the upcoming license fee proposal.

Commissioner Williams called on Dr. Dave Crass, Director of the Historic Preservation Division, for his Division update.

Director Crass updated the Board on the Tax Incentive database; the Archaeological Site Predication Map; and CSS Georgia.

Commissioner Williams called on John Biagi, Chief of Fisheries, to give an update for the Wildlife Resources Division.

Mr. Biagi updated the Board on the marketing and social media efforts of WRD; the construction of the new headquarters building in Social Circle; and the ribbon cutting for the Shooting Sports facility at Georgia Southern University.

Commissioner Williams called on Col. Eddie Henderson, Director of the Law Enforcement Division, for his Division update.

Col. Henderson updated the Board on the Labor Day weekend boating statistics and the Law Enforcement Division transition.

Commissioner Williams called on Becky Kelley, Director of the Parks, Recreation and Historic Sites Division, for her Division update.

Director Kelley updated the Board on Your State Parks Day; the Land and Water Conservation Fund and Recreation Trails Program grants; SCORP; and the open house at the Parks office at Panola Mountain State Park.

Commissioner Williams stated the Capital Outlay Status Report for September was located in the Board Member's packet.

Commission Williams stated with no further business, his report was concluded.

Chairman Lambert called on Jud Turner, Director of the Environmental Protection Division, for his Director's Report.

Director Turner thanked the Board members who attended the EPD lab tour on Monday.

Director Turner updated the Board on the Supreme Court water case and the Water Quality Standards Report.

Chairman Lambert called on Mr. Johnson, Chairman of the Parks, Recreation and Historic Sites Division for the Committee Report.

A motion was made by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Stewart and carried unanimously that the Board adopt the Resolution to approve the proposed amendments to the Land and Water Conservation Fund Program, Chapter 391-5-13-.02. (Resolution attached hereto and made a part thereof)

Chairman Lambert called on Mr. Davis, Chairman of the Land Committee, for the Committee Report.

A motion was made by Mr. Davis, seconded by Ms. Addison and carried unanimously that the Board adopt the Resolution to authorize the Commissioner to seek State Properties Commission approval to acquire (purchase) 323± acres of real property, Big Hammock Wildlife Management Area, Jay Tillman Tract, Tattnall County. (Resolution attached hereto and made a part thereof)

A motion was made by Mr. Davis, seconded by Mr. Evans and carried unanimously that the Board adopt: the Resolution to authorize the Commissioner to seek State Properties Commission approval to acquire (purchase) 0.28± acres of real property, Robins Air Force Buffer Project, 129 Connie Lane, Houston County; the Resolution to authorize the Commissioner to seek State Properties Commission approval to acquire (purchase) 0.53± acres of real property, Robins Air Force Base Buffer Project, 107 Wyler Avenue, Houston County; the Resolution to authorize the Commissioner to seek State Properties Commission approval to acquire (purchase) 0.3± acres of real property, Robins Air Force Base Buffer Project, 200A Ferguson Street, Houston County; the Resolution to authorize the Commissioner to seek State Properties Commission approval to acquire (purchase) 0.34± acres of real property, Robins Air Force Base Buffer Project, 910 North Davis Drive, Houston County; the Resolution to authorize the Commissioner to seek State Properties Commission approval to acquire (purchase) 1.5± acres of real property, Robins Air Force Base Buffer Project, 303 Baker Road, Houston County; the Resolution to authorize the Commissioner to seek State Properties Commission approval to acquire (purchase) 0.37± acres of real property, Robins Air Force Base Buffer Project, 306 Baker Road, Houston County; the Resolution to authorize the Commissioner to seek State Properties Commission approval to acquire (purchase) 0.71± acres of real property, Robins Air Force Base Buffer Project, 102 Connie Lane, Houston County; the Resolution to authorize the Commissioner to seek State Properties Commission approval to acquire (purchase) 2.28± acres of real property, Robins Air Force Base Buffer Project, 102 Baker Road, Houston County; the Resolution to authorize the Commissioner to seek State Properties Commission approval to acquire (purchase) 18.78± acres of real property, Robins Air Force Base Buffer Project, 109 Travis Street/0 Connie Lane, Houston County. (Resolutions attached hereto and made a part thereof)

A motion was made by Mr. Davis, seconded by Mr. Stewart and carried unanimously that the Board adopt the Resolution to authorize the Commissioner to seek State Properties Commission

approval to request approval via Executive Order to demolish a Pool Concession /Bathhouse, Kolomoki Mounds State Park, Early County. (Resolution attached hereto and made a part thereof)

A motion was made by Mr. Davis, seconded by Mr. Mobley and carried unanimously that the Board adopt the Resolution to authorize the Commissioner to seek State Properties Commission approval to request approval via Executive Order to demolish Dorm #1, Dorm #2 and the Kitchen/Dining Hall, Magnolia Springs State Park, Jenkins County. (Resolution attached hereto and made a part thereof)

A motion was made by Mr. Davis, seconded by Mr. Yancey and carried unanimously that the Board adopt the Resolution to authorize the Commissioner to seek State Properties Commission approval to grant a Revocable License Agreement and Permanent Easement of 0.16± acres by the State Properties Commission and General Assembly to Excelsior Electrical Membership Corporation to install and maintain overhead and underground power lines at George L. Smith State Park, Emanuel County. (Resolution attached hereto and made a part thereof)

Mr. Davis stated the Committee moves to adopt item N with the expressed understanding that the pipeline will be installed within the ranges represented by Sabal.

A motion was made by Mr. Davis, seconded by Mr. Mobley and carried unanimously that the Board adopt the Resolution to authorize the Commissioner to seek State Properties Commission approval to grant a Revocable License Agreements and Permanent Easements totaling 0.27± acres by the State Properties Commission and General Assembly to Sabal Trail Transmission, LLC to install and maintain a natural gas pipeline under navigable waters of the State, Stewart, Dougherty, Colquitt, Brooks, and Lowndes Counties. (Resolution attached hereto and made a part thereof)

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Ray Lambert, Chairman

ATTEST:

Aaron McWhorter, Secretary

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Law Enforcement Committee
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The September 23, 2015 meeting of the Law Enforcement Committee was called to order by Chairman Ray Lambert.

Chairman Lambert called on Dr. Philip Watt, Chairman of the Law Enforcement Division, who called on Corporal Adam Loudermilk, who briefed the Board on the Underwater SAR Technology Use by LED.

Corporal Loudermilk gave an informative presentation on DNR Law Enforcement use of underwater imaging technology to aid in underwater search and recover operations. He stated this technology includes Side Scan Sonar, Sector Scan Sonar, and Underwater Remotely Operated Vessels. He added since 2013, the equipment has been deployed over 80 times.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Minutes
Parks, Recreation and Historic Sites Committee
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The September 23, 2015 meeting of the Parks, Recreation and Historic Sites Committee was called to order by Chairman Ray Lambert.

Chairman Lambert called on Duncan Johnson, Chairman of the Parks, Recreation and Historic Sites Committee.

Chairman Johnson called on Becky Kelley, Director of the Parks, Recreation and Historic Sites Division, to present the proposed amendments to the Land and Water Conservation Fund Program, Chapter 391-5-13-.02.

Director Kelley stated the PRHSD administers two federally funded matching grant programs, the Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) and the Recreation Trails Program (RTP). She further stated that this year the two grant cycles will overlap and clarity regarding the LWCF program is required.

Director Kelley stated because PRHSD are running overlapping funding cycles and the RTP grant program specifically addresses trails, the PRHSD recommends that all trail projects be excluded from the 2015 LWCF grant cycle.

Director Kelley stated she would request the Committee recommend that the Board approve the item as presented.

A motion was made by Mr. Sinyard, seconded by Ms. Addison and carried unanimously that the Committee recommend that the Board adopt the Resolution to approve the proposed amendments to the Land and Water Conservation Fund Program, Chapter 391-5-13-.02, as presented.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

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Land Committee
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The September 23, 2015 meeting of the Board of Natural Resources was called to order by Chairman Ray Lambert.

Chairman Lambert called on Dwight Davis, Chairman of the Land Committee, who called on Daniel Brown, Business Operations Specialist for the Real Estate Unit.

Mr. Brown stated the first item for consideration would be the acquisition of 323± acres of real property, Big Hammock Wildlife Management Area, Jay Tillman Tract.

Mr. Brown stated the Tillman Tract is 323± acres adjoining the Big Hammock WMA. He further stated the Tillman Tract supports a diverse habitat for wildlife along the Altamaha River. He added this property is of significant importance in the regeneration of the longleaf pine and preservation of species like the federally listed candidates gopher tortoise and eastern indigo snake.

Mr. Brown stated he would request the Committee recommend that the Board approve the item as presented.

A motion was made by Mr. Davis, seconded by Mr. Evans and carried unanimously that the Committee recommend that the Board adopt the Resolution to authorize the Commissioner to seek State Properties Commission approval to acquire (purchase) 323± acres of real property, Big Hammock Wildlife Management Area, Jay Tillman Tract, Tattnall County, as presented.

Mr. Brown stated Items B-J were all acquisitions in the Robins Air Force Base Buffer Project. He further stated all properties would be acquired using funds from DNR Bond 123.

Mr. Brown stated the first item for consideration would be the acquisition of 0.28± acres of real property at 129 Connie Lane in Houston County. He stated the purchase price of the property was \$2,800 and there were no structures on the property.

Mr. Brown stated the next item for consideration would be the acquisition of 0.53± acres of real property at 107 Wyler Avenue in Houston County. He further stated the purchase price of the property was \$7,100 and there were no structures on the property.

Mr. Brown stated the next item for consideration would be the acquisition of 0.3± acres of real property at 200A Ferguson Street in Houston County. He further stated the purchase price of the property was \$44,000 and the property contained a house which would be removed.

Mr. Brown stated the next item for consideration would be the acquisition of 0.34± acres of real property at 910 North Davis Drive in Houston County. He further stated the purchase price of the property was \$21,000 and the property contained a house which would be removed.

Mr. Brown stated the next item for consideration would be the acquisition of 1.5± acres of real property at 303 Baker Road in Houston County. He further stated the purchase price of the property was \$9,000 and there were no structures on the property.

Mr. Brown stated the next item for consideration would be the acquisition of 0.37± acres of real property at 306 Baker Road in Houston County. He further stated the purchase price of the property was \$3,000 and there were no structures on the property.

Mr. Brown stated the next item for consideration would be the acquisition of 0.71± acres of real property at 102 Connie Lane in Houston County. He further stated the purchase price of the property was \$6,600 and there were no structures on the property.

Mr. Brown stated the next item for consideration would be the acquisition of 2.28± acres of real property at 102 Baker Road in Houston County. He further stated the purchase price of the property was \$29,000 and there were no structures on the property.

Mr. Brown stated the next item for consideration would be the acquisition of 18.78± acres of real property at 109 Travis Street/0 Connie Lane in Houston County. He further stated the purchase price of the property was \$75,000 and there were no structures on the property.

Mr. Brown stated he would request the Committee recommend that the Board approve all items as presented.

A motion was made by Mr. Davis, seconded by Mr. Mobley and carried unanimously that the Committee recommend that the Board adopt: the Resolution to authorize the Commissioner to seek State Properties Commission approval to acquire (purchase) 0.28± acres of real property, Robins Air Force Buffer Project, 129 Connie Lane, Houston County, as presented; the Resolution to authorize the Commissioner to seek State Properties Commission approval to acquire (purchase) 0.53± acres of real property, Robins Air Force Base Buffer Project, 107 Wyler Avenue, Houston County, as presented; the Resolution to authorize the Commissioner to seek State Properties Commission approval to acquire (purchase) 0.3± acres of real property, Robins Air Force Base Buffer Project, 200A Ferguson Street, Houston County, as presented; the Resolution to authorize the Commissioner to seek State Properties Commission approval to acquire (purchase) 0.34± acres of real property, Robins Air Force Base Buffer Project, 910 North Davis Drive, Houston County, as presented; the Resolution to authorize the Commissioner to seek State Properties Commission approval to acquire (purchase) 1.5± acres of real property, Robins Air Force Base Buffer Project, 303 Baker Road, Houston County, as presented; the Resolution to authorize the Commissioner to seek State Properties Commission approval to acquire (purchase) 0.37± acres of real property, Robins Air Force Base Buffer Project, 306 Baker Road, Houston County, as presented; the Resolution to authorize the Commissioner to seek State Properties Commission approval to acquire (purchase) 0.71± acres of real property, Robins Air Force Base Buffer Project, 102 Connie Lane, Houston County, as presented; the Resolution to authorize the Commissioner to seek State Properties Commission approval to acquire (purchase) 2.28± acres of real property, Robins

Air Force Base Buffer Project, 102 Baker Road, Houston County, as presented; the Resolution to authorize the Commissioner to seek State Properties Commission approval to acquire (purchase) 18.78± acres of real property, Robins Air Force Base Buffer Project, 109 Travis Street/O Connie Lane, Houston County, as presented.

Mr. Brown stated the next item for consideration would be requesting the approval via Executive Order to demolish the pool concession/bathhouse at Kolomoki Mounds State Park.

Mr. Brown stated the Parks, Recreation and Historic Sites Division requests the removal of the 2,400 square foot pool concession/bathhouse at Kolomoki Mounds State Park due to its risk to public safety. He further stated this building was constructed in the 1960's and the condition of the pool concession/bathhouse has significantly deteriorated. He added the pool was closed several years ago and Parks has no intention of reopening it.

Mr. Brown stated that the Historic Preservation Division has determined the pool concession/bathhouse does not contribute to the historical significance of the site and may be removed with no significant impact to the area. He further stated structures of 2,000 square feet can only be removed via Executive Order.

Mr. Brown stated he would request the Committee recommend that the Board approve the item as presented.

A motion was made by Mr. Davis, seconded by Mr. Leebern and carried unanimously that the Committee recommend that the Board adopt the Resolution to authorize the Commissioner to seek State Properties Commission approval to request approval via Executive Order to demolish a Pool Concession/Bathhouse, Kolomoki Mounds State Park, Early County, as presented.

Mr. Brown stated the next item for consideration would be requesting approval via Executive Order to demolish Dorm #1, Dorm #2, and the Kitchen/Dining Hall at Magnolia Springs State Park.

Mr. Brown stated the Parks, Recreation and Historic Sites Division requests approval to remove these three structures in the Group Camping area due to the public safety risk that they pose. He further stated the Historic Preservation Division determined the dorms and dining hall have no historical significance. He added since the size of each building is greater than 2,000 sq. ft., the structures can only be removed via Executive Order.

Mr. Brown stated he would request the Committee recommend that the Board approve the item as presented.

A motion was made by Mr. Davis, seconded by Mr. Evans and carried unanimously that the Committee recommend that the Board adopt the Resolution to authorize the Commissioner to seek State Properties Commission approval to request to approve via Executive Order to demolish Dorm #1, Dorm #2, and the Kitchen/Dining Hall, Magnolia Springs State Park, Jenkins County, as presented.

Mr. Brown stated the next item for consideration would be the granting of a Revocable License Agreement and Permanent Easement of 0.16± acres by the State Properties Commission and General Assembly to Excelsior Electrical Membership Corporation to install and maintain overhead and underground power lines at George L. Smith State Park.

Mr. Brown stated Parks is constructing a new group shelter to support public recreation. He further stated approximately half of the easement area will be overhead power lines while the other half will be buried. He added the easement area is Heritage Preserve Designated (HP), but the HP resolution allows for Parks to erect facilities to support outdoor recreation.

Mr. Brown stated he would request the Committee recommend that the Board approve the item as presented.

A motion was made by Mr. Davis, seconded by Mr. Mobley and carried unanimously that the Committee recommend that the Board adopt the Resolution to authorize the Commissioner to seek State Properties Commission approval to grant a Revocable License Agreement and Permanent Easement of 0.16± acres by the State Properties Commission and General Assembly to Excelsior Electrical Membership Corporation to install and maintain overhead and underground power lines at George L. Smith State Park, Emanuel County, as presented.

Mr. Brown stated the final item for the Committee's consideration would be the granting of Revocable License Agreements and Permanent Easements totaling 0.27± acres by the State Properties Commission and General Assembly to Sabal Trail Transmission, LLC to install and maintain a natural gas pipeline under navigable waters of the State in Stewart, Dougherty, Colquitt, Brooks and Lowndes Counties.

Mr. Brown stated Sabal Trail Transmissions, LLC (Sabal) plans to build and operate a natural gas pipeline from Tallapoosa County, Alabama to Osceola, Florida and cross the southwest portion of the State. He further stated Sabal's proposed route crosses the southwest corner of Georgia and will cross several navigable streams and rivers. He added that titles to the beds of navigable streams and rivers are in the State of Georgia.

Mr. Brown stated Sabal requests Revocable License Agreements from the State Properties Commission and Permanent Easements from the General Assembly to construct and operate their pipeline under the water bodies and within the counties below:

- Chattahoochee River/0.11±acres/Stewart County
- Hannahatchee Creek/0.02± acres/Stewart County
- Flint River/0.08± acres/Dougherty County
- Ochlockonee River (1st Crossing)/0.01± acres/Colquitt County

- Ochlockonee River (2nd Crossing)/0.02± acres/Colquitt County
- Withlatchoochee River/0.03± acres/Brooks and Lowndes County

Mr. Brown stated that Sabal will use natural gas pipeline using a Horizontal Directional Drill. He further stated since the RLAs and PEs will not directly benefit the Department, the Department recommends that the amount of monetary consideration for the RLAs and PEs be set by the State Properties Commission.

Mr. Brown stated he would request the Committee recommend that the Board approve the item as presented.

Mr. Sinyard asked if the Horizontal Directional Drilling that Sabal will be using is a tested, environmentally safe method of drilling under water bodies.

Mr. Brown stated the pipeline is coated and a low voltage is used. He further stated the drilling will be done very deep to avoid obstacles. He added this is a much safer method of installation.

Discussion ensued regarding the depth of the drilling.

Chairman Lambert stated there were three speakers who signed up to speak on this action item. He asked that each speaker limit their comments to fewer than three minutes.

Mark Woodall, Sierra Club, requested the Committee delay granting the easement.

Chris Manganiello, Policy Director of the Georgia River Network, requested the item be tabled and the granting of the easements be delayed.

Gus McGlachlan, Sabal Trail Transmission, spoke in support of the proposed item.

Mr. Sinyard stated he has been involved with the natural gas pipeline for two years. He further stated that landowners in the Albany area have multiple issues with the proposed pipeline, which included the proposed location of the compressor station in Albany. He added Sabal should consider using electricity to power the compressor.

Discussion ensued regarding the final route of the pipeline.

Commissioner Williams stated the State Properties Commission must approve the final route but the Board must first approve the granting of the RLAs and PEs for Sabal to construct and operate the pipeline under the water bodies in each county.

Mr. Davis stated FERC may possibly change the route between the crossings but would not change the crossings that the Board will be approving today. He further stated if these crossings were changed, they would need to come back to the Board to approve the new crossing locations.

Mr. Stewart asked if the location of the crossings changed, would the depth of the pipeline under the riverbed change as well. He further stated he would like to know if the Board's adoption of this item was relating to the location or installation of the pipeline under the waterways.

Mr. Davis stated the Committee is voting with the expressed understanding that the pipeline will be installed within the ranges represented by Sabal Trail Transmission, LLC.

Discussion ensued regarding existing utilities or easements at the proposed crossing sites.

A motion was made by Mr. Davis, seconded by Mr. Evans and carried unanimously that the Committee recommend that the Board adopt the Resolution to authorize the Commissioner to seek State Properties Commissioner approval to grant Revocable License Agreements and Permanent Easements totaling 0.27± acres by the State Properties Commission and General Assembly to Sabal Trail Transmission, LLC to install and maintain a natural gas pipeline under navigable waters of the State, Stewart, Dougherty, Colquitt, Brooks and Lowndes Counties, as presented.

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