

MINUTES OF THE MEETING

Citrus/Hernando Waterways Restoration Council

October 20, 2014

The Citrus/Hernando Waterways Restoration Council met at 3:00 p.m. on October 20, 2014 at the Southwest Florida Water Management District, 1st Floor Conference Rooms A & B, Brooksville, Florida.

Council Members Present

Mike Moberley
Mike Czerwinski
Sandra Clodwick
Michael Liberton
Bill Eppley
Al Grubman
Charles Morton
Wayne Sawyer
Timothy Stoops

Technical Advisory

Group Members Present

Virginia Creighton, FDOT
Clay Black, Hernando Co
Richard Gant, SWFWMD

Recording Secretary

Jeanette Lopez, SWFWMD
Veronica Craw, SWFWMD

Council Members Absent

Nicholas Nicholson
Jim Polk
Eric Latimer
Robert Christensen
George Foster

Technical Advisory

Group Members Absent

James Davidson, USACOE
Mark Edwards, Citrus Co.
Allen Martin, FFWCC
Erin Rasnake, FDEP
Paul Thomas, FFWCC
Chris Zajac, SWFWMD

SWFWMD – Southwest Florida Water Management District
FDEP – Florida Department of Environmental Protection
CRBB – Coastal Rivers Basin Board Member

FFWCC – Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission
FDOT – Florida Department of Transportation
USACOE – United States Army Corp of Engineers

Erin Rasnake, FDEP and Paul Thomas, FFWCC tried to connect but the connection failed. Meeting agenda and minutes can be found on the District's Web site (www.WaterMatters.org/projects/waterways/citrus). The numbers preceding the items listed below correspond with the published agenda.

1. **Call to Order and Roll Call**
Mr. Mike Moberley convened the meeting. Ms. Jeanette Lopez called the roll and noted a quorum was present.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance**
Mr. Moberley led the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. **Approval of the 2013 Minutes**
No changes to the minutes; motion to approve made by Mr. Grubman and seconded by Mr. Czerwinski. Motion passed unanimously.
4. **Approval of the of the 2014 Report to the Legislature – Incorporating Citrus and Hernando County Task Forces**
Ms. Veronica Craw, SWFWMD, displayed the electronic draft of the 2014 Report to the Legislature for members' approval. She mentioned that the report is due in Tallahassee

no later than November 25, 2014. Ms. Craw went briefly through the CCTF Section with the changes that were incorporated during the previous meeting.

The Hernando County has only one new project this year; **Weeki Wachee State Park Parking Lot Retrofit**. It was suggested to change the picture for this project with one from the State Park Master Plan.

Virginia Creighton, FDOT said that it is not clear if the \$100,000 for the Lake Lindsey Habitat Restoration Project is correct. Mr. Morton explained that it is an ongoing project and some things have been funded by the Hernando County. It was suggested to modify the structure of this project. Ms. Craw suggested she could break it down by phases; it was accepted.

Mr. Czerwinski recommended to insert a dark line in the table separating the Citrus and Hernando Counties. Mr. Morton recommended to separate the tables into two; one after the other. It was accepted.

It was determined there would be no need for a follow-up meeting as everyone was in agreement with the changes discussed. The Council authorized Ms. Craw to proceed with the minor changes approved.

Mr. Morton made a motion to approve the report as final. Mr. Czerwinski seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

5. **Approval of the Report to the Legislature Cover Letter**

Ms. Craw stated the importance of not leaving without signing the two cover letters (House & Senate) by those members who were present. She noted Ms. Lopez would contact the absent members and make arrangements for signature. Mr. Morton recommended to explain in the cover letters that the Citrus County has ongoing projects and the Hernando County has only study projects. He withdrew his motion; accepted unanimously.

Mr. Grubman made a motion to accept the cover letters. Mr. Stoops seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

6. **Other Business**

Mr. Liberton made two suggestions for the next Hernando County Task Force meeting: (1) check the condition of Lake Bystre in the Hernando County, and (2) review model scenarios being done in the Withlacoochee River and that Mr. Mark Fulkerson speak to the group once these scenarios are done. Ms. Craw said that Mr. Fulkerson will be giving presentations in Citrus and Hernando Counties during the January 2015 meetings.

7. **Public Input**

None

8. **Adjournment**

There being no further business or announcements presented before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 3:37 p.m.