

**Minutes of the South Fulton Municipal Regional Water And
Sewer Authority Meeting Held on February 11th, 2020,
AT 509 Toombs Street, Palmetto, GA**

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: J. Clark Boddie, Elizabeth Carr Hurst, Shayla J. Nealy, Sonja Fillingame, Laura Mullis and James Whitmore

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Vince R. Williams

Consultants Present: Dennis Davenport, Dan Post, Laura Benz and Andrea Gray

Others Present: Hope Larisey with ISE

Call To Order: Chairwoman Shayla J. Nealy called the meeting to order at 7:07 PM.

Approval Of The Minutes: A motion was made by Sonja Fillingame to approve the minutes of the January 14th, 2020 meeting, seconded by J. Clark Boddie. A vote was taken, the motion passed unanimously.

New Business: None

Old Business: None

Reports:

Legal – Dennis Davenport stated that he had received the payment in the amount of \$8000.00 from 92 Sportsman Club. Mr. Davenport also stated that the 92 Sportsmen Club is interested in purchasing the property if the Authority wanted to sell.

Mr. Davenport updated the Board on the progress of the Local Act, that it is at the General Assembly and this would be a good time for the Board to contact their Local Delegation.

Finance – Dan Post reviewed with the Board:

1. The January 2020 financial statement.

2. Requested approval for draw number 202 in the amount of \$25,653.94 from the construction account.

J. Clark Boddie made a motion to approve draw number 202 in the amount of \$25,653.94 from the construction account seconded by James Whitmore. A vote was taken, the motion passed unanimously.

3. Revised cash flow report
4. Checks to be signed

Project Managers – Laura Benz and Andrea Gray reviewed with the Board:

See attached memorandum for details

1. Water Withdrawal Application Process:
 - a. Minimum Instream Flow
 - b. Comment Responses
 - c. District Audits
 - d. Updated Treatability Analysis
 - e. Swap
 - f. Next Steps
2. Compensatory Mitigation
 - a. Site Specific Sites
 - b. Resale Of Mitigation Credits

Elizabeth Carr Hurst made a motion to accept the Seventh Amendment to the Content Of Sale, seconded by Sonja Fillingame. A vote was taken, the motion passed unanimously.

Executive Session: None

James Whitmore made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Laura Mullis. A vote was taken, the motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 7:28 PM

Shayla J. Nealy, Chairwoman

April 14th, 2020

Date Minutes Approved by Board

MEMORANDUM

To: S. Fulton Municipal Regional Water & Sewer Authority Member Cities Councils
(Fairburn, Palmetto and Union City)

From: Laura Benz & Andrea Gray

Date: February 11, 2020

Re: S. Fulton Authority Project Update

Water Withdrawal Application/Process:

Minimum Instream Flow: EPD and the Authority have worked together over the past year to establish a minimum instream flow for the requested direct withdrawal. In August 2019, EPD agreed that a site-specific study was appropriate and, based on an agreed-upon scope, the Authority commissioned Schnabel Engineering and CCR Environmental to complete both the modeling and field work on a one-mile stretch of the Chattahoochee River. In September 2019, the study was presented to EPD which approved the parameters examined but later requested that the study be extended to the Whitesburg gage which is the closest node for which EPD already has modeling data. EPD also informed the Authority that it updated the Res Sim modeling to include the current drought which now shows only two days over the 73-year modeling period that the Authority would be partially without its full permitted withdrawal amount with shortages of 4.3 mgd (8 cfs) and 5.9 mgd (11 cfs).

At its December 2019 meeting, the Authority authorized Schnabel and CCR to extend the site-specific study to the Whitesburg gage. Schnabel's work was provided to EPD and based upon preliminary review, Wildlife Resources Division felt the engineering analysis was sufficient and the additional habitat assessment to the Whitesburg gage would not provide additional information. Therefore, the CCR fieldwork and report is no longer required which results in time and cost savings to the Authority. The Schnabel report shows that by implementing the alternative non-depletable flow of approximately 12 cfs less in November and 8 cfs less in December, the Authority will be able to meet its non-depletable flow throughout the 73-year period of record. The difference in flow depth will be 0.03ft or less (<1% of flow depth) and result in a 0.01 ft/second or less reduction in flow velocity. If approved, the alternate minimum instream flow will allow the Authority to meet its full 13.25 mgd need 365 days per year.

Comment Responses: The comment responses were submitted to EPD on January 30, 2020. EPD confirmed receipt of the documents and are in the process of reviewing the submittal. Upon completion of its review, EPD will inform the Authority as to whether the revisions in the draft permit will necessitate an additional 30-day public comment period.

District Audits: The Atlanta Regional Commission ("ARC") and the Metropolitan North Georgia Water Planning District ("MNGWPD") aid communities in completing audit documentation. Fairburn, Palmetto, and Union City representatives met with ARC and MNGWPD representatives and revised audits were submitted on January 14, 2020. EPD provided comments to Union City on January 30, 2020 and Palmetto on January 31, 2020.

Treatability Analysis: An engineering report will be required as a part of the Water System Permit (a separate permit required to operate the system which is issued upon construction of the facilities).

SWAP: ARC anticipates final SWAP being submitted to EPD in February 2020.

Next Steps: Coordinate with EPD regarding the comment responses, obtain EPD approval of the site-specific study to support alternate nondepletable flow proposal, update the engineering RFP for the preliminary engineering work and refine the budget and cost estimates accordingly and evaluate sources of funds including additional GEFA loans.

Compensatory Mitigation

Site Specific Sites: A new USACE project manager was assigned to the project and will be on medical leave for the next thirty (30) days. The Mitigation Bankers continue to work through the mitigation bank authorization process however have requested to extend closing date from June 30, 2020 to December 31, 2020. A modification to the purchase agreement to close on December 31, 2020 is proposed.

Resale of Mitigation Credits:

Monastery: A check for the sale of 3.68 wetland credits is currently being processed and will be provided to the Authority in the amount of \$71,760.00. There are Statements of Credit Availability for 32.99 wetland credits at \$50,000/credit which results in a total of an additional \$1,649,500.00 that is expected within the first quarter of 2020. There are an additional 5.87 wetland credits that are available.

Blue Creek: Correspondence releasing the Authority's interest in 746.17 stream credits was submitted to the USACE. No additional Statement of Credit Availability forms have been executed.