Jacksonville Environmental Protection Board

Monday, April 24, 2023

MONTHLY MEETING SUMMARY

MEMBERS PRESENT:

David Wood, Chair

Guillermo Simon

Sunil Joshi

Clint Noble

Adam Hoyles

MEMBERS NOT PRESENT:

Thomas Deck, Vice-Chair

Charles Garrison

Beth Leaptrott

STAFF/RESOURCES PRESENT:

James Richardson, JEPB Administrator

Melissa Long, Chief - EQD

Cherry Pollock, OGC

Mike Williams, EQD

VISITOR(s) PRESENT:

John Nooney

Felicia Boyd, Timucuan Parks Foundation

Casey Magee, Timucuan Parks Foundation

Ori Morehoki

Eric Luoto

Lynda Rubashka

CALL TO ORDER DAVID WOOD

INTRODUCTIONS

Chair Wood called to order the monthly meeting of the Jacksonville Environmental Protection Board (JEPB) at 5:03 pm. A quorum was established.

CHAIRMANS REMARKS

None

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

John Nooney shared various thoughts concerning FEMA, resiliency, and Pottsburg Creek. He provided a check for the artificial reef trust fund.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion to approve meeting summaries for the March 20th JEPB meeting was made (Joshi), properly seconded (Noble) and approved by the body.

CONSENT ORDERS

**Air/Noise**

* None

**Water**

* **BBK Investment, LLC** *[WP-23-05 at 4317 University Boulevard South]* Discharge of untreated wastewater to the ground and surrounding environment

Respondent’s corrective actions: Unknown

Consent Order settlement fee: **$8,000** with mitigation potential

03/21/2023 State water quality standards for E. Coli is not greater than 410 MPN / 100 ml for single day sampling Exceedance greater than 70%

Major potential for harm and Major extent of deviation - $8,000

Consent Order requirements: March 2023 – Start monthly status reports.

April 28, 2023 - Plumber or Engineering report

* **GSJ, L.P.,** *[WP-23-07 at* *7703 Hare-India-Jasper-Kona]* Unpermitted Discharge of untreated wastewater to the ground and surrounding environment; Failure to operate and maintain the System to remain operational; Failure to notify EQD of Discharge from the System

Respondent’s corrective actions: Unknown

Consent Order settlement fee: **$8,000** with mitigation potential

2/1/2023 Failure to maintain System at the Property which resulted in an unlawful discharge of untreated wastewater to the ground, surrounding environment, and stormwater draining to adjacent surface water

Water sample taken at point of discharge has a reading of 241,960 MPN / 100 ml

State water quality standards for E. Coli is not greater than 410 MPN / 100 ml for single day sampling. Exceedance greater than 70%

Major potential for harm and Major extent of deviation - $8,000

Consent Order requirements: March 2023 – Start monthly status reports.

April 28, 2023 - Plumber or Engineering report

* **First Coast Energy, LLP**, *[WP-22-59 at 7750 Normandy Boulevard]* Unpermitted Discharge of untreated wastewater to the ground and surrounding environment; Failure to operate and maintain the System to remain operational; Failure to notify EQD of Discharge from the System

Respondent’s corrective actions: Unknown

Consent Order settlement fee: **$8,000** with mitigation potential

11/14/2022 State water quality standards for E. Coli is not greater than 410 MPN / 100 ml for single day sampling - Exceedance greater than 70%

Major potential for harm and Major extent of deviation - $8,000

Consent Order requirements: March 31, 2023 – Start monthly status and maintenance reports.

May 31, 2023 - Engineering report

August 31, 2023 – Final Completion of Construction

A motion was made to approve the consent orders as presented (Hoyles), properly seconded (Simon) and approved by the body.

ENFORCEMENT REPORT MELISSA LONG

No questions or concerns.

PRESENTATION(s)

* Therapeutic Parks Dr. Casey Magee

Dr. Magee shared information on therapeutic parks and the benefits to the community. She also responded to member questions.

PUBLIC HEARING(s)

None

OLD BUSINESS

* + Retreat – Follow-up Points?
  + Education & Public Outreach

NEW BUSINESS

* Noise Variance – Living Stream Church
  + ACTION – Waive JEPB Rule 1.602(e)

Mr. Richardson provided background on the variance request and the rationale for waiving the requirement to have the application reviewed by committee first. A motion to waive the rule was made (Hoyles), properly seconded (Joshi) and approved by the body.

* + ACTION – Noise Variance Application

Representatives from the church and contractor provided details of the project and the need for the variance. Mike Williams provided his technical review of the application and recommended conditions for the variance. A motion to approve the variance with the conditions recommended was made (Hoyles) and properly seconded (Simon). During discussion, the ending date for the project was considered. A motion was made to extend the variance through September 30th. The variance application was then approved by the body as amended.

COMMISSION & JEPB COMMITTEE UPDATES

* **Waterways Commission** – Mr. Hoyles shared that the primary discussion centered around a sedimentation study being considered for Clapboard Creek and inshore reefs.
* **KJB Commission** – No report.
* **JEPB Water Committee** – Mr. Carr discussed information from the Water Branch report and responded to member questions.
* **JEPB Air Committee** – Mr. Williams discussed information from the Air Branch report and responded to member questions.

EPB ADMINISTRATOR REPORT

Mr. Richardson shared that the 2023 Florida Legislative session recently concluded. Bills of note right were HB1197/SB1240 which related to Land and Water Management. Both were referred to committees and were not heard. He shared comprehensive end of session legislative reports. He shared the theme for the symposium and asked if members had specific areas of interest to be included, please be sure to let him know.

ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY DIVISION REPORT

Chief Long shared that we are deep into the budget season and no other updates from the Division.

ITEMS REFERRED TO COMMITTEES

None

NEXT SCHEDULED BOARD MEETING(s)

* JEPB Committees

Air Committee – TBD

Water Committee – TBD

* JEPB Steering Committee – Monday, May 8, 2023, at 4:00 pm
* JEPB Monthly Meeting – Monday, May 15, 2023, at 5:00 pm

The meeting was adjourned at 6:33 pm.