

City of Jacksonville, Florida
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION BOARD
Monday, March 11, 2013
5:00 p.m.

Meeting Summary

Members Present

Steven T. Jenkins, Chair
Michelle Tappouni, Vice Chair
Bobby L. Baker, P.E.
Tony C. Bellamy, P.E. (arrived 5:05 pm)
Nick Howland (arrived 5:03) – (left 5:43)
Lucinda Sonnenberg, Ph.D.
Michelle L. Mahoney, P.E.

Members Not Present

Gary Bowers, M.D.

Staff/ Resources Present

Vince Seibold, P.E., Chief
James Richardson, EPB Administrator
Ruby Tucker, Executive Secretary I
Cherry Shaw, OGC
Craig D. Feiser, OGC
Steve Pace, Environmental Engineering Manager Senior
Dana Brown, Environmental Enforcement Administrator
Richard Robinson, P.E., Environmental Engineering Manager

Visitors

Jay Worley, JEA
Scott Shine
Mark Casper, Windsor Parke Golf Course

Call to Order

Chair Steven Jenkins called the regular meeting of the Environmental Protection Board (EPB) to order at 5:00 p.m.

Chairman's Remarks

None.

Approval of February Board Minutes

Chair Jenkins entertained a motion to approve the meeting summary of the February Board Meeting, which was properly seconded and approved by the body.

Program Administrator Report

EPB Administrator James Richardson shared the following:

- Two EPB volunteers are needed to serve as judges joined by Meaghan Atkinson with CSX for the Earth Day Poster Contest. Board members who are interested should contact Mr. Richardson.
- The Jacksonville Harbor Deepening Project will release their draft report in April. A public meeting will be held on on March 12th at 6:30 pm. in the Main Library which will focus on confined blasting.
- The State of the River Report funding request (2013-138) will go before the Waterways Commission on Wednesday and will be heard in Rules, Finance, TEU and PHS next week.
- The Environmental Symposium is scheduled for August 23rd and staff has issued a Call for Abstracts to determine the presentation topics.

Department Report

Vince Seibold, Chief of the Environmental Quality Division, reported the following:

- Florida Association of Counties Legislative Day in Tallahassee is April 4, 2013.
- Florida Forestry Service legislation passed the Mayor's Budget Review Committee (MBRC) which gives the City authority to continue to permit and handle land clearing opening burning in Duval County.
- The LID Subdivision Standard Policy Advisory Committee (SSPAC) passed the draft manual for consideration. Staff will provide the Board copies of the draft manual for review.
- Legislation is being prepared for a Phase II reorganization proposal which will move EQD and Mosquito Control Divisions from the Neighborhoods Department into the Public Works Department along with Solid Waste as activities under a newly formed Environmental Services Division.

Approval of February Committee Minutes

Chair Jenkins entertained a motion to approve the meeting summaries for both the Water Committee and the Air and Odor Committee for the month of February. The motions were properly seconded and approved by the body.

Consent Agenda

(Water)

- San Miguel Management, LP as agent for CH B Caroline Square, LLC (WP-12-27)

Board Member Bobby L. Baker disclosed a conflict of interest under the Consent Agenda for San Miguel Management, LP. A Memorandum of Voting Conflict form was completed by Mr. Baker.

Chair Jenkins entertained a motion to approve the San Miguel Management, LP consent order, which was properly seconded and approved with Mr. Baker abstaining.

(Air/Odor)

- Republic Services of Florida LP d/b/a Southland Waste Systems of Jax (AP-12-05)

Chair Jenkins entertained a motion to approve the above consent order which was properly seconded and approved by the body.

Legislative Update

Dana Brown, Environmental Enforcement Administrator shared the following:

- HB999 will preempt local governments from regulating well construction and will change the Title V fee structure. The bill will clarify how fees are assessed against pollution sources.

Presentation(s)

None.

Public Hearing Petition for Rule Making

Chair Jenkins suspended the Board Meeting at 5:20 p.m. in order to conduct the Rulemaking Hearing for JEPB Rule 4.

Mr. Jenkins reconvened the Board Meeting at approximately 6:48 p.m.

Old Business

- Open Variances – no report
- Riverside Duck Pond Maintenance – no update
- Tree Hill Geothermal Project – none
- Environmental Protection Fund - Chair Jenkins will prepare a handout concerning the committee's current commitments and things that are being considered.
- Board Member Michelle Tappouni provided an update regarding the EPB Awards subcommittee. The Subcommittee is proposing to revise the criteria for the EPB Environmental Awards and categories, the Christi P. Veleta and Charles E. Bennett awards. The award winners ceremony will be held at the Environmental Symposium and the award recipients will also be acknowledged at the Mayor's Environmental Luncheon. It was also suggested that the Board establish a new award in partnership with the Duval County School System – the EPB-DCPS Environmental Champion award. The subcommittee will provide further updates to the Board in the future.

New Business

None.

Comments from the Public

None.

Item(s) referred to Committees

None

Next Board Meeting Date

Monday, April 8, 2013

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 6:58 p.m.

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Respectfully Submitted

Ruby Tucker, Executive Secretary I
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