

**Air Odor Noise Committee**

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**City of Jacksonville, Florida**  
**ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION BOARD**  
**Monday, January 12, 2015**  
**5:00 p.m.**  
**Board Meeting Summary**

**Members Present**

Michelle Tappouni, Chair  
Nick Howland, Vice Chair  
Amy Y. Fu, P.E.  
Mobeen Rathore, M.D.

Bobby L. Baker, P.E.  
Steven T. Jenkins  
Lucinda Sonnenberg, Ph.D.  
Tony C. Bellamy, P.E.

**Members Not Present**

None.

**Staff/ Resources Present**

James Richardson, EPB Administrator  
Jody Brooks, OGC  
Melissa Long, EQD Chief  
Tree Kilbourn, EQD Enforcement

**Visitors**

Steve Patterson  
Stacey Ferguson  
Kevin Holbrook

**Call to Order**

Chair Michelle Tappouni called the monthly meeting of the Environmental Protection Board (EPB) to order at 5:02 p.m. A quorum of members was established.

**Chairman's Remarks**

Chair Tappouni welcomed everyone to the first Board meeting this New Year 2015.

**Approval of December Board Minutes**

Chair Tappouni entertained a motion to approve the EPB meeting summaries of the December 8, 2014 Board Meeting and Public Hearing (Sonnenberg) which was properly seconded (Rathore) and approved by the body.

**Approval of December Committee Minutes**

None.

## Comments from the Public

None.

## Consent Agenda

Tree Kilbourn presented several consent orders through the Board for approval (each consent order was taken separately). No committee meetings were held in the month of December.

(Air/Odor/Noise)

- none

(Water/Haz Mat)

- **Princeton Heritage on the River Limited Partnership, through Heritage GP, LLC, its General partner (WP-14-14)** – Failure to comply with design standards – settlement fee \$400 (1,600 less the mitigation credit of \$1,200 (75%))

An inquiry was made regarding organizations that are repetitively in noncompliance and a discussion ensued as to how to address the trends observed through education and outreach.

A motion was made to approve the consent order (Rathore) which was properly seconded (Bellamy) and approved by the body.

- **Walgreen Co. and Harb Brothers of Jacksonville, Inc. (WP-13-35)** – Unlawful discharge of wastewater; Failure to maintain system to function as intended; Failure to comply with sewerage design standards; Failure to notify EQD of discharge – settlement fee \$3,680

A motion was made to approve the consent order (Rathore) which was properly seconded (Sonnenberg) and approved by the body.

- **Wal-Mart Stores East, LP (WP-13-32)** – Construction or modification of wastewater collection/transmission system without a permit – settlement fee \$6,400

A motion was made to approve the consent order (Baker) which was properly seconded (Bellamy) and approved by the body.

- **Commons on Anniston Acquisition, LLC (WP-13-28)** – Unlawful discharge of sewage or other untreated waste or wastewater; Failure to maintain the wastewater collection/transmission system so as to function as intended; Failure to comply with design standards; Failure to post sign with owner information; Failure to perform required maintenance; Failure to notify EQD – settlement fee \$5,900

A motion was made to approve the consent order (Rathore) which was properly seconded (Bellamy) and approved by the body.

## Legislative

None.

## Presentation(s)

None.

## Public Hearing(s)

Chair Tappouni suspended the EPB meeting at 5:15 pm in order to conduct a public hearing for the noise variance extension request for the Parador Parking Structure project.

The EPB meeting was reconvened at 5:21 pm.

## Program Administrator Report

Mr. Richardson reminded the Board that the Steering Committee Meeting will be moved to the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday in each month. The first Steering Committee meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, January 27, 2015 (a revised calendar appointment will be sent out). Monday, January 19, 2015 is a federal holiday and the Water

Committee meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 20, 2015. February 16, 2015 is also a holiday and the Water Committee Meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 17, 2015.

Information has been sent to the Board regarding NASA Chief Research Scientist Dennis Bushnell series of meeting with COJ officials, senior staff and community stakeholders. The events will be held January 22<sup>nd</sup> and January 23, 2015 at Jacksonville University Gooding Auditorium and the UNF University Center respectively. Board members are encouraged to attend.

The Water Education Festival is scheduled for Saturday, February 7, 2015 at the Museum of Science and History (MOSH) from 10:00 am – 4:00 pm.

The Ethics Office is beginning Ethic Training for Boards and Commissions members on a quarterly basis. The first training sessions are scheduled for Tuesday, January 20, 2015 (1hr sessions) at 12pm and 5pm. Although the training sessions are not mandatory, board members are encouraged to attend at least one of the quarterly sessions to be held later in April, July and October.

The Riverkeeper has been made a request to attend the EPB February meeting to discuss their agreement involving the Rodman Dam.

The Port Dredging Report is anticipated to be released by April and members of the Task Force are open to have the EPB consider hosting a few community meetings.

An inquiry was made regarding whether it's appropriate for the board to take a position on a particular issue or serve as a public forum. Is the Board's role to share information only? It was stated that the Board served as a public forum during the Georgia Pacific permit renewal and did not take a position. Presentations were made by Georgia Pacific and the Riverkeeper. The Board did take a position on water withdrawal supporting the City of Jacksonville.

Chair Tappouni shared that the Mayor's Office has setup a port task force with representation from the industry, environmental and science side. When the report is released and reviewed by the Board, the Board will then discuss what the next step is or whether it's in the Boards purview to take a position.

Keep Jacksonville Beautiful's 37<sup>th</sup> Annual Fundraiser event is scheduled for Thursday, at City Hall honoring Jimmy Orth.

### **Departmental Report**

Chief Melissa Long shared that the new FDEP Secretary is John Steverson and the Deputy Secretary is Paula Cobb. Paula Cobb was the Director for the Division of Air and now the Deputy Director Justin Green will be filling in until that position is filled. The draft of the SOA for Air Quality has not yet been provided.

### **Old Business**

- Chief Long shared, in response to an inquiry, that staff is looking at a company named Micro Lift who manufactures microbial organisms that can potentially treat water by adding the microbial organisms to a treatment pond in order to produce total nitrogen and fecal coliform reductions. Four ponds were sampled in December and the results of all four ponds were extremely clean. Staff sampled two ponds at the Jacksonville Zoo and the Riverside duck pond last week. The results of the fecal coliform were elevated, the results of the total nitrogen levels have not been provided. A six week test will be conducted to see just what the microbial organisms are capable of doing if added to the selected ponds; will there be reductions in the fecal coliform and nitrogen levels.

**New Business**

- Consolidated Task Force Recommendations
  - I. 2015-2 – Water Quality Reporting Requirement of EPB
  - II. 2015-3 – EPB ex-officio membership on Waterways Commission

Chair Tappouni shared with the Board members that two bills out of the Consolidated Task Force were introduced. One of the bills adds a requirement to the EPB to compile and distribute an annual report on water quality within Duval County. Staff will meet with Councilwoman Boyer for clarification of EPB's duties. The second legislation adds a member of the EPB and member of the Planning Commission to the Waterways Commission as ex-officio members. The Bills will be introduced to City Council on Tuesday, January 13, 2015 and the Public Hearing on Tuesday, January 27, 2015.

**Comments from the Public**

None.

**Item(s) referred to Committees**

- none

**Next Scheduled Board Meeting(s)**

Monday, February 9, 2015 at 5:00 pm.

**Adjournment**

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 6:02 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted

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Ruby Tucker, Executive Assistant to the Chief  
Environmental Protection Board