

Air Odor Noise Committee

Roi Dagan, M.D. – Chair
Michelle Tappouni
David Wood
Gabriel DuPree
Leo Hearn - Alt

Education & Public Outreach

Michelle Tappouni - Chair
Lucinda Sonnenberg, Ph.D.
Bobby Baker, P.E.

**Water Committee**

Bobby L. Baker, P.E. – Chair
Gabriel DuPree
Amy Fu, P.E.
David Wood – Alt
Leo Hearn

Lucinda Sonnenberg, Ph.D. – Chairman
Amy Fu, P.E. – Vice Chairman
Bobby L. Baker, P.E., Roi Dagan, M.D., Gabriel DuPree
Leo Hearn, Michelle Tappouni, David Wood

Jacksonville Environmental Protection Board

Monday, August 13, 2018
BOARD MEETING SUMMARY

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Lucinda Sonnenberg, Ph.D., Chair
Amy Fu, P.E., Vice Chair
Gabriel DuPree

David Wood
Bobby Baker, P.E.
Roi Dagan, M.D.

MEMBERS NOT PRESENT:

Michelle Tappouni

STAFF/RESOURCES PRESENT:

James Richardson, JEPB Administrator
Jeff Close, OGC

Tree Kilbourn, EQD Enforcement

VISITOR(s) PRESENT:

none

CALL TO ORDER**DR. SONNENBERG**

Chair Sonnenberg called the retreat of the Jacksonville Environmental Protection Board (JEPB) at 4:15 pm.

BOARD BUSINESS**SONNENBERG**

- SJR Report Funding request vote
Administrator Richardson shared a memo from the Education & Outreach Committee recommending continued funding of the St. Johns River Report. After brief discussion, a motion was made (Baker) to approve the funding as recommended by the Education & Outreach Committee, was properly seconded (DuPree) and approved by the body.
- EPB Awards recommendations and vote
Administrator Richardson shared the recommendations from the Education & Outreach Committee for the annual Environmental Achievement Awards to be presented at the symposium. A motion was made to approve the recommendation (DuPree), was properly seconded (Fu) and was approved by the body.

GOALS FOR THE DAY

Dr. Sonnenberg shared her thoughts of what she would like to cover and discuss during the retreat. She hoped it to be informative and encouraged intereaction as much as possible.

- Who are we and how did we get here?
- What is it that we do?
- What is it that we want to do?
- Money, money, money EPB trust fund

WHO WE ARE AND HOW DID WE GET HERE?

- History of EPB and Jacksonville Environment

Kilbourne

Ms. Kilbourne and Dr. Sonnenberg shared presentations (attached) showing the history of the JEPB and some key milestones that were occurring at various points in it's history.

WHAT IS IT THAT WE DO AND HOW DO WE DO IT?

- Routine maintenance –enforcements, variances, hearings

Close

Board Counsel Close shared some information on Robert's Rules of order and how to best conduct Board business during meetings.

- Looking to the future - Hearing platform, rulemaking

Kilbourne

Ms. Kilbourn shared information on the Rulemaking authority of the JEPB and the processes in place to conduct it, when it would be applicable and other pertinent information.

- Community outreach and education

Was discussed later in the retreat.

WHAT DO WE WANT TO DO?

Sonnenberg

Dr. Sonnenberg led a discussion of areas of focus and areas of concern that members would like to see the JEPB address or discuss at some point in the near future.

- Emerging issues of concern

There was discussion and brainstorming of issues from the members. Items that emerged as compiled by Dr. Sonnenberg include:

- Reducing SSOs in private infrastructure
- Council approach about plastic bags, fees
- Nonpoint source nutrient pollution
 - Fertilizer,
- Better communications with the public; specific impacts in Jax
- What is the Duval County impact on SJR water quality (compared to upstream sources)?
- Recycling waste education
- Toilet wipes
- SSOs
- Recycling education – refuse, reduce, reuse, emphasis (recycle last)
- More public education
- Offshore drilling – advocate ban
- Sustainable building incentives massive downtown developments
- Air monitoring on Westside
- Increasing penalties to help compliance
 - Effective structure

- Effective structure
 - Role of air and water committees

There was discussion of the need for the committees. There was general consensus that the information shared during the meetings could be provided and discussed during the monthly meeting. Mr. Richardson reminded that there is a specific role for the committees in some processes such as variances. However, they can be convened when there is a specific need. The group decided that they would forego the August committee meetings and continue the discussion about the meetings and committees at the September board meeting.

- EOC – permanent?

There was discussion regarding the role of the EPO committee. It continues to be ad hoc and should it be made permanent. Concern was noted that in the vetting of funding requests, there may not be adequate opportunity for members to ask questions. After further discussion, there was consensus that the current system of vetting funding requests by the committee and board approval was acceptable.

MONEY, MONEY, MONEY – EPB TRUST FUND

Richardson/Sonnenberg

- What are we funding?
- What do we want to fund?

Mr. Richardson shared information regarding the structure of the EPTF, trends regarding what is coming in and what has been funded and the balance remaining. This prompted discussion of any desire to prioritize funding objectives, suspend funding for a period of time or other options. There were several comments to accept what good, appropriate requests come along within the budget.

Dr. Sonnenberg thanked everyone for coming and for the good discussion. Several items will be continued at future meetings.

The meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm

Respectfully Submitted

James Richardson, EPB Administrator

Air Odor Noise Committee

Roi Dagan, M.D. – Chair
Michelle Tappouni
David Wood
Gabriel DuPree
Leo Hearn - Alt

Education & Public Outreach

Michelle Tappouni - Chair
Lucinda Sonnenberg, Ph.D.
Bobby Baker, P.E.



Lucinda Sonnenberg, Ph.D. – Chairman
Amy Fu, P.E. – Vice Chairman
Bobby L. Baker, P.E., Roi Dagan, M.D., Gabriel DuPree
Leo Hearn, Michelle Tappouni, David Wood

Water Committee

Bobby L. Baker, P.E. – Chair
Gabriel DuPree
Amy Fu, P.E.
David Wood – Alt
Leo Hearn

To: JEPB Members
From: JEPB Education & Outreach Committee
Subject: Funding Request – St Johns River Report (FY2018 – 2020)
Date: August 13, 2018

Over the past few months, members of the St Johns River Report Team has met with the EPO committee and EQD staff to discuss plans for the upcoming series of reports and to understand potential changes discussed. They took input from the committee and staff and came up with a final funding request that was submitted for consideration.

The committee reviewed a funding request from the river report team in the amount of \$311,863 for the Twelfth, Thirteenth and Fourteenth editions of the State of the River Report .

After a review of the request, and after several meetings with the team, the JEPB Education & Outreach committee determined that continued funding would be of substantial environmental benefit and is a worthy use of Environmental Protection Trust Fund dollars and recommends seeking City Council approval of the \$311, 863 request with the following conditions:

1. The \$311,864 request be funded as presented
 - a. Payments in the amounts of \$99,443, \$103,880 and \$108,540
2. A waiver of Sections 111.755(f) and 360.602(f) Ordinance Code to continue funding of the State of the River Report.
3. Invoke an exception to Sec. 126.107(g) Procurement Code allowing the use of professional services of Jacksonville University

Air Odor Noise Committee

Roi Dagan, M.D. – Chair
Michelle Tappouni
David Wood
Gabriel DuPree
Leo Hearn - Alt

Education & Public Outreach

Michelle Tappouni - Chair
Lucinda Sonnenberg, Ph.D.
Bobby Baker, P.E.

**Water Committee**

Bobby L. Baker, P.E. – Chair
Gabriel DuPree
Amy Fu, P.E.
David Wood – Alt
Leo Hearn

Lucinda Sonnenberg, Ph.D. – Chairman

Amy Fu, P.E. – Vice Chairman

Bobby L. Baker, P.E., Roi Dagan, M.D., Gabriel DuPree

Leo Hearn, Michelle Tappouni, David Wood

Recommendation from the EPB Education & Public Outreach Committee **2018 EPB Environmental Awards**

2018 Charles E. Bennett – Champion of the Environment Award

John Crescimbeni – for longtime commitment to scenic beauty and the environment.

2018 Christi P. Veleta Environmental Award

Jimmy Orth – for long time education and advocacy about sustainable living and protection of the natural environment.

2018 EPB Environmental Achievement Awards

2018 EPB-DCPS Environmental Champion Awards

Jessica Brothers, Jacksonville Beach Elementary and Nathan Heffner, Alden Road Exceptional Student Center - (approved at May 2017 meeting)

Government/Institutional

Jacksonville Transportation Authority (JTA) – for their demonstrated high regard for environmental stewardship and commitment to sustainability efforts in the community.

Duval County Master Gardener Program – for their efforts to educate individuals about how the overuse of fertilizers, pesticides and irrigation can have a negative impact on the environment

Community/Civic

Timucuan Parks Foundation – for their efforts to preserve, promote, and protect the vast network of parks, preserves and conservation areas within Jacksonville.

Individual

Dr. Scott Sowell – for his award winning efforts to encourage public school students to become more knowledgeable and appreciative of our natural resources and environment.

Environmental Awards of Merit

Dr. Radha Pyati – for significant impact to the Jacksonville community as a scientist, educator and advocate.

Christopher Hong and Nate Monroe – for exceptional media reporting with the “As the Ocean Creeps In” series.