

South Florida Water Management District

Public Meeting to Discuss Regulatory Matters

January 16. 2013
10:00 a.m.
South Florida Water Management District - B-1 Auditorium
3301 Gun Club Road, West Palm Beach, FL 33406

MEETING MINUTES

Staff Present:

Sharon M. Trost, Director Regulation Division
Anthony Waterhouse, Assistant Executive Director, Regulation Division
Anita Bain, Bureau Chief, Environmental Resource Permitting
Brian Tilles, Bureau Chief, Environmental Resource Compliance
Maria Clemente, Bureau Chief, Water Use
Charles Walter, Regulatory Administrator, Orlando Service Center
Ricardo Valera, Regulatory Administrator, Lower West Coast Service Center
Kelly Cranford, Section Leader, Okeechobee Service Center

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Regulatory Division Director Sharon M. Trost at 10:07 a.m. Ms. Trost reviewed the purpose and requested all comments be regarding regulatory issues. Ms. Trost introduced staff in the service centers. There were three members of the public present at District Headquarters in West Palm Beach; no members of the public were present at any of the service centers.

2. Applications of Heightened Public Concern Pending Final Action

There were no public comments regarding this item.

3. Applications of Heightened Public Concern Not Complete

Application 080103-6 Town of Big Cypress

Public Comment: Drew Martin representing the Sierra Club requested an update regarding this application.

Ms. Bain responded that a time extension has been granted so the applicant can work with the federal agencies on the panther issues.

Application 120703-6 Lake Worth/Lyons Residential Property

Public Comment: Drew Martin requested clarification on the location of the property. Mr. Martin expressed concern regarding the wetland on-site.

Staff responded that this property is located between SR 7 and the Turnpike. Also staff is working with the developer regarding wetland preservation and hydrologic contribution to the wetland.

Application 090109-7 Crosstown Parkway Extension (Bridge over North Fork)

Public Comment: Drew Martin requested an update on this application regarding the wetlands.

Staff responded that the applicant is working to resolve the road alignment. Also the State of Florida and the City have worked on water quality and recreational improvement programs for any impacts to the state park.

Application 081114-3 Facilities at Krome

Public Comment: Drew Martin inquired regarding any wetland impacts.

Staff responded that the property has a new owner and the District has not received an updated wetland mitigation plan. A time extension has been granted to the new owner.

4. Public Comment on other Pending Permit Applications

Application 070102-5 Seminole Pratt Whitney Road and Northlake Blvd

Public Comment: Alex Larson expressed concerned regarding water drainage.

Application 120910-1 Palmdale Sand Mine

Public Comment: Rosa Durando inquired regarding the location of this project.

Application 121212-4 Venture Park

Public Comment: Rosa Durando inquired regarding this application.

Application 121204-2 Proposed Riprap

Public Comment: Rosa Durando inquired regarding the land use on this application.

5. Public Comment on General Regulatory Issues

Public Comment: Alex Larson commented regarding Permit 28-00643-P issued to Lightsey Brothers Partnership. Ms. Larson inquired if this property will be used for agricultural purposes and water quality.

Public Comment: Alex Larson expressed concern regarding the City of West Palm Beach water usage. Ms. Larson also commented on an agreement with the Indian Trail Improvement District and the City of West Palm Beach.

Public Comment: Alex Larson inquired regarding state of emergency permit applications and the timeframes for expiration of each emergency order.

Public Comment: Rosa Durando expressed concern regarding wetland preservation, water levels and wildlife in the STA-1 East area.

Public Comment: Rosa Durando expressed concern regarding water discharge from the Homeland canal into the E-1 canal.

Public Comment: Drew Martin commented regarding Permit 50-09237-P issued to Bethesda Hospital.

Public Comment: Drew Martin inquired regarding water restriction in the City of Lake Worth.

Public Comment: Drew Martin inquired regarding the District's involvement when there is a proposed operational change of a canal.

6. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 11:33 a.m.