

UPPER OCONEE BASIN WATER AUTHORITY  
NEGRC HEADQUARTERS  
E.H. CULPEPPER CONFERENCE ROOM  
MARCH 28, 2018  
9:30 A.M.

MINUTES

**Members Present:**

Pat Graham, Chair  
Eric Klerk  
Frank Stephens  
Nancy Denson  
Mike Renshaw  
John Daniell  
Amrey Harden

**Alternates Present:**

Joey Leslie  
Sam Mark

**Others Present:**

Jim Dove, NEGRC Executive Director  
Mott Beck, NEGRC Executive Assistant  
Alicia Page, NEGRC Comptroller  
Hope Pendergrass, Mauldin & Jenkins  
Brad Lanning, Jacobs  
Bobby Sills, Nelsnick  
Chip Ferguson, Atkinson Ferguson  
Cassidy Lord, Upper Oconee Watershed Network

**CALL TO ORDER AND APPROVAL OF JANUARY MEETING MINUTES**

Chairperson Pat Graham called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. and asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the January meeting. **Action: A motion to approve the minutes was made by Mayor Nancy Denson, seconded by Commissioner John Daniell, and passed unanimously.**

**FINANCIAL REPORT**

NEGRC Comptroller Alicia Page presented the financial statement ending January 28, 2018. **Action: A motion to accept as presented was made by Mr. Mike Renshaw and seconded by Mr. Amrey Harden. The motion carried unanimously.**

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Engineering:** The Engineering Committee met on March 13<sup>th</sup> to discuss several items of interest. Committee Chairman Joey Leslie prepared an in-depth report regarding the meeting, and it will be attached to the Action Minutes. One item discussed requires action by the Authority: **Action: Motion to accept the recommendation of Committee and execute letter authorizing South Jackson Fire Department to withdraw water from the reservoir at the boat ramp in an emergency situation; and authorize UOBWA Engineering Chairman Leslie to draft a letter regarding water availability in a 50-year drought was made by Mr. Harden and seconded by Mayor Denson. The motion carried unanimously.**

**Finance:** The Committee met prior to the Authority to review and discuss the FY17 Audit. Mr. Harden introduced Hope Pendergrass of Mauldin and Jenkins who gave the Audit report to the Authority. Ms. Pendergrass advised that the Audit received an Unmodified Opinion, which is the highest rating given, and there were no findings. **Action: Motion to accept the recommendation of the Finance Committee and accept the FY17 Audit as presented was made by Mr. Harden, seconded by Commissioner Daniell, and carried unanimously.**

## **TREATMENT CAPACITY LEASE AGREEMENT**

Legal Counsel Chip Ferguson explained the Intergovernmental Treatment Capacity Lease Agreement between the Upper Oconee Basin Water Authority, Oconee County, Barrow County, and Jackson County. The document was forwarded to Authority members prior to the meeting and will be attached to the Action Minutes.

**Action: Motion to approve the Lease Agreement signed by each County (except Clarke) was made by Mr. Harden and seconded by Mr. Daniell. The motion carried unanimously.**

## **OPERATIONS AND MANAGEMENT**

Mr. Lanning's report was provided to members prior to this meeting, and will be attached to official minutes. No action was taken regarding his report.

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION AND PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was no Executive Session, and there were no Requests for Comment.

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

Mr. Dove advised that CW4 Daniel Button with the U.S. Army contacted him and requested to use Bear Creek Reservoir for Blackhawk water bucket training as they have done in the past. **Action: Motion to approve this request was made by Mayor Denson, seconded by Mr. Eric Klerk, and passed unanimously.** An orientation flight

will take place on either April 18<sup>th</sup> or April 27<sup>th</sup>, and the dates for the training are June 2<sup>nd</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup>.

The next meeting will be held on May 23<sup>rd</sup>.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:15 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Martha "Mott" Beck  
UOBWA Secretary