

### Northeast Georgia Regional Commission Atrium October 23, 2024 – 10:00 A.M.

## **Minutes**

### **Attendees**

Members: Alternates:

John Daniell Jim Hix (Voting)

Jim Dove Chuck Horton

Kelly Girtz Adam Layfield

Pat Graham Chris Yancey (Voting)

Joey Leslie Harry Sims Mark Saxon

#### Others:

Amber Bailey, NEGRC
Marty Clark, Jackson County
Charles Ferguson, Atkinson Ferguson
Alisha Gamble, Jackson County
Wes Geddings, Barrow County
Pamela Hendrix
Tom Kelley, Jacobs
Sophia Primer, NEGRC
Gina Roy, Jackson County
Judy Smith, JCWSA
Andrew Tritt
Burke Walker, NEGRC
Jim Woodward

#### Call to Order

Chairman Pat Graham called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.

# Approval of First Amendment to the Intergovernmental Reservoir and Raw Water Supply Agreement

Charles Ferguson, attorney for the UOBWA, stated that the amendment to the Intergovernmental Agreement for the reservoir and raw water supply would extend the term an additional fifty years between the four member counties in the Authority.

**Action**: A motion to approve the Amendment to the Intergovernmental Agreement was made by John Daniell and seconded by Harry Sims. The motion passed unanimously.

## Approval of Second Amendment to the Intergovernmental Water Treatment and Transmission Agreement

Charles Ferguson stated that the Second Amendment would extend the agreement term for an additional fifty years, establish new entitlement shares as a result of the expansion of the treatment plant and establish how the treatment plant expansion costs will be allocated between three of the member counties.

**Action**: A motion to approve the Second Amendment to the Intergovernmental Agreement was made by Mark Saxon and seconded by Jim Dove. The motion passed unanimously.

# Approval of Bond Resolution Authorizing the Issuance of the Upper Oconee Basin Water Authority Revenue Bonds, Series 2024 and Series 2025

UOBWA Finance Committee Chair John Daniell stated that the Finance Committee met prior to this meeting to review the bond resolutions. The bond resolution states that the amount issued would not exceed \$140 million , not exceed a 5.5% interest rate and not exceed \$9.5 million in annual debt services. The maximum maturity date would be July 1, 2057. The first bond issuance would be for \$75 million, and the second would be at a later date after final pricing for the project has been received.

**Action**: Chairman Daniell motioned to approve the bond resolution authorizing the issuance of Upper Oconee Basin Water Authority revenue bond Series 2024 and Series 2025 for the purpose of financing the expansion of the Bear Creek Water Treatment Facility and to approve the execution and delivery of supplemental contracts to Barrow, Jackson and Oconee Counties and for other related matters. Jim Dove seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

### **Executive Session**

There was no need for an Executive Session.

#### **Public Comment**

There were no public comments.

### Other Business

There was no other business.

### Adjournment

There was no further business. Chairman Graham asked for a motion to adjourn.

**Action:** A motion to adjourn was made by Harry Sims and seconded by John Daniell. The meeting was adjourned at 10:05 a.m.

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NEGRC Executive Assistant	