

Minutes

Attendees

Members:

John Daniell
Jim Dove
Kelly Girtz
Pat Graham
Joey Leslie
Mark Saxon
Vickie Short
Harry Sims

Alternates:

Nathan Hester
Adam Layfield
Hollis Terry
Chris Yancey

Others:

Amber Bailey, NEGRC
Chip Ferguson, Atkinson Ferguson
Tom Kelley, Jacobs
Brad Lanning, Jacobs
Judy Smith, Jackson County
Sophia Primer, NEGRC
Burke Walker, NEGRC

Call to Order and Approval of the July 26, 2023 Meeting Minutes

Vice Chair John Daniell called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Action: A motion to approve the July minutes was made by Jim Dove and seconded by Kelly Girtz. The motion passed unanimously.

Financial Report

Sophia Primer, NEGRC Chief Financial Officer, presented the financial report for the period ending August 31, 2023.

Action: A motion to approve the Financial Report was made by Harry Sims and seconded by Mark Saxon. The motion passed unanimously.

FY24 Proposed Budget

Vice Chair John Daniell discussed the FY24 proposed budget.

Action: A motion to transmit the budget to the member counties for review prior to approval at the November meeting was made by Jim Dove and seconded by Harry Sims. The motion passed unanimously.

Water Treatment Plant Expansion Update

Tom Kelley updated the Authority on the design progress for the Water Treatment Plant Expansion. He discussed the Preliminary Engineering Report (PER) that will be submitted to Joey Leslie for review before it is sent to the Environmental Protection Division (EPD).

Action: No action was necessary.

Operations & Management Report

Brad Lanning discussed plant operations. He gave the Authority an update on supplies, repairs, and upgrades that would be needed at Bear Creek Water Treatment Facility.

Action: No action was necessary.

Executive Session

There was no need for an Executive Session.

Public Comment

There were no public comments.

Other Business

- **ARPA Funding**

Chairman Pat Graham informed the Authority that she would be meeting with Governor Kemp's office to request ARPA funds for the Water Treatment Plant Expansion.

Action: No action was necessary.

- **Disclosure Release**

Chip Ferguson discussed the need for a letter from Chairman Pat Graham to authorize Atkinson Ferguson, LLC to continue disclosing information on behalf of the Authority.

Action: A motion to authorize Atkinson Ferguson, LLC to continue to submit continuing disclosure materials on behalf of the Upper Oconee Basin Water Authority was made by Mark Saxon and seconded by Harry Sims. The motion passed unanimously.

Adjournment

With no further business, Vice Chair John Daniell asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Action: A motion to adjourn was made by Kelly Girtz and seconded by Harry Sims. The meeting was adjourned at 9:21 a.m.



Julie Ball

NEGRC Executive Assistant

November 15, 2023

Date of Approval

