



MINUTES
MEETING AUGUST 4, 2020 - 10:00 AM
TELECONFERENCE CALL MEETING

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Martin at 10:00AM. Executive Director gave the invocation.

The following board members were present: Chairman Bob Martin, Board Members Kerry Van Moore and Jason Winters. Attending members of the Commission were Conservation Manager Robert Amos, Urban Program Manager Ben Ruzowicz, Office Manager Karen Bruce and Administrative Assistant Jerri Helbing. Other participants were Roger Bowman District Chairman and Woody Snell from GACD.

Mr. Attaway asked for approval of the minutes from the March 3, 2020 meeting. There was a motion by Kerry Van Moore to approve them a second from Bob Martin and agreed upon by Jason Winters.

Executive Director Mitch Attaway stated that most of the staff have been teleworking since March with only 2 people in the office and the office has been closed to the public. In late May early June more staff have been manning the office approximately 6 – 8 people at one time but still closed to the public. We will maintain the closure for now because of Covid-19. Staff are making safe site visits especially dam visits. Mr. Attaway went on to say that GSWCC started with a 14% cut but it was lowered to 11%. The District allotments will not change. They did however cut a plan review position and the 2% pay raise will not be realized. Mr. Attaway asked for approval of the Supervisor Appointments which was motioned by Kerry Van Moore, seconded by Jason Winters and unanimously approved by Bob Martin. Then Mr. Attaway asked for approval of the Budget Allotment for the districts which Bob Martin made a motion to approve it was seconded by Jason Winters and approved by Kerry Van Moore.

Urban Program Manager Ben Ruzowicz reported that the plans have not slowed down they are receiving between 250-280 plans per month. Mr. Ruzowicz stated the Melissa Finn a plan reviewer has left and Mazen an Intern has also left. A new Intern McEver Dugan started Aug 3. Trainers are still having courses and Mr. Ruzowicz has applications for 2 new trainers.

Conservation Manager Robert Amos stated he has been attending district meeting via Zoom and teleconference calls. He has helped the districts close out their FY'20. He has also resubmitted paperwork to the Fish & Wildlife Program to reinstate the agreement that GSWCC had with them. This will help with funding for the district's projects. Mr. Amos also stated he had one resignation from Mr. Cox for the Flint River district that need approval by the board. Kerry Van Moore made a motion to approve, Jason Winters seconded it and Bob Martin made the final approval.

Woody Snell made a brief GACD update.

Roger Bowman wanted to know if there was any news about the Special Appointments for Supervisors by the Governor Kemp.


Mitch Attaway announced he would be taking some time off at the end of August for the arrival of his second child.

With all business concluded Mr. Bob Martin adjourned the meeting at 10:30 AM.

The next board meeting has not been decided.

Respectfully Submitted by Jerri Helbing

Approved by:

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