

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING**  
**of the**  
**LAKE COUNTY WATER AUTHORITY**  
**June 26, 2019**

The Regular Hearing of the Board of Trustees of the Lake County Water Authority was held at 3:30 p.m. on Wednesday, June 26, 2019, in the Lake County Administration Building, County Commissioners Chambers at 315 West Main Street, Tavares, Florida.

**Members Present-District #**

Carolyn Maimone, Vice Chair (#3)  
Trampis BonJorn (#2)  
Peggy Cox (#1)  
Keith Farnar (At-Large)  
Courtney Stokes (At-Large)

**Staff Present**

Michael J. Perry, Executive Director  
Ron Hart, Water Resources Director  
Dr. Jason Danaher, Water Res. Project Manager  
Biago Gugliotti, Land Resources Director  
Patricia Burgos, Environmental Projects Director  
Christina Rider, Administrative Services Manager  
Anna Ely, Recording Secretary  
Kevin Stone, Attorney

A list of others present that signed the attendance roster is filed in the permanent files of the Water Authority.

**1. CALL TO ORDER / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The meeting was called to order at 3:30 p.m. and everyone stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

**2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - MAY 22, 2019 - REGULAR MEETING**

**MR. FARNER MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE LAKE COUNTY WATER AUTHORITY MEETING OF THE MAY 22, 2019 - REGULAR MEETING.** Ms. Cox seconded the motion.

**Motion approved 5-0.**

**REGULAR AGENDA:**

- a. BCC Request to the USACOE for Study of Flood Risk Management in the North Palatlahaha River Basin

Commissioner Tim Sullivan addressed the Board and explained that during the hurricanes he and Public Works were getting numerous phone calls regarding flooded ditches within his jurisdiction (District 1).

He explained that the County completed a survey of everything that they were in control of (ditches, right-of-way's, culverts, etc.) and he went out and visited some of the sites and talked with citizen in those areas.

He stated that he had also talked to the Army Corp of Engineers who had stated that they aren't concerned with lake levels but there is money available from the Corp of Engineers for infrastructure.

He explained that the County can't afford a major infrastructure project, but if a basin study is completed and the study indicates that there are infrastructure projects that could alleviate the problem, they could possibly receive funding assistance from the Army Corp of Engineers.

Mr. Farner noted that the Water Authority had completed several studies in that area in the past, so if they could help with that information they would be glad to.

Commissioner Sullivan stated that the Corp of Engineers would want to have that type of information and Mr. Farner stated that he believed that they were involved in the studies. Ms. Cox noted that the Army Corp of Engineers was not involved in those studies.

Mr. Perry explained that originally it sounded like the letter from the County was concerning Emerald Lakes and making changes in the Clermont Chain lake levels, but it is has nothing to do with lake levels, but rather the area between Cherry Lake and Lake Harris.

Mr. Farner stated that he didn't know what Commissioner Sullivan had in mind, but he was agreeable to any assistance the Water Authority could give.

Commissioner Sullivan explained that they are just looking to a study of the basin at this time to identify areas of concern. He explained that the County is still waiting on FEMA reimbursement of seven and a half million dollars from Hurricane Michael and their funds are tight.

He stated that without the Water Authority's cooperation they won't be able to do the study the way it needs to be done.

Mr. BonJorn asked for clarification that the study is about infrastructure and trying to get the standing water back into the areas that it should be, and not to lower the levels of any basin.

Mr. Sullivan stated that was correct and noted that all the people that have been to the Water Authority to talk about this issue have also been to the County to express their concerns. He stated that what is happening in the Okahumpka area can't be related to lake levels anywhere else in the chain. He stated that any time the Water Authority has any questions to feel free to contact him.

### **3. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT**

Mr. Perry addressed the Board and gave the water level and rainfall reports. He stated that with all the rain in June, Lake Apopka had gone from near the minimum desirable to well above the regulatory schedule. He stated that the lake is currently headed back down toward the regulatory schedule. He explained that to accomplish this, the District was releasing almost 250 cfs over the spillway and we were treating approximately 50 cfs through the NuRF.

He stated that Lake Dora water levels have increased with all the water coming through the Apopka-Beauclair Spillway and Lake Eustis and Lake Harris are actually below the regulatory

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schedule due to water being released through the Burrell Spillway at over 1000 cfs at the end of June.

He noted that Lake Griffin has been on and around the regulatory schedule and the District has been releasing approximately 1200 cfs through the Moss Bluff when the lake was creeping up on the top of regulatory schedule.

Mr. Perry noted that at the end of May, Lake County had about a three-inch rainfall deficit, but noted that South Lake County has had in excess of nine inches of rain in June so far.

He stated that the Clermont Chain is still slightly below the regulatory range. He explained that water levels were doing well until the dry spell last week and the flow from Big and Little Creeks dropped to five cfs. He noted that Lake Minnehaha is still slightly below the regulatory range but noted that at this time last year the lake level was going down, whereas this year it is still rising.

Ms. Cox asked how much evaporation there is because of the hot weather and Mr. Perry explained that it is a combination of sunshine and humidity. He stated that while it is hot, it is also humid and there is less evaporation when there is high humidity. He noted that the lakes can lose as much as one quarter to one half inch a day due to evaporation. He stated that as of yesterday, Big and Little Creeks were at a combined flow of approximately 4 cfs. He noted that in 2014 -2015 and 2002 the water levels were much lower than they are at this time.

Mr. Perry noted that the scroll for the NuRF should be back from being repaired around the third of July and they hope to have the NuRF up and fully operational by the middle of the month. He stated that currently they are moving and dosing about 50 cfs through the NuRF and into the ponds.

Mr. Perry stated that Chairman Stone has asked that if the August meeting could be moved to August 14<sup>th</sup> if possible as she would out of town and a professional conference. Vice Chair Maimone stated that she would not be able to attend the original date either. All those in attendance were okay with the changing the meeting to August 14<sup>th</sup>.

Mr. Perry informed that he just recently turned 62 and in July he will have been with the Water Authority for 19 years. He noted that he has attended over 270 Board Meetings without missing any. He stated that his DROP period goes through December of 2020 and would like to retire within the next nine to twelve months.

He stated that he has talked to Chairman Stone and to Vice Chair Maimone and they would both like to take some time at the Budget Workshop to talk about what skills, ability and experience they might want from whoever replaces him.

He noted that there are several senior staff members who are looking to retire within the next three to five years, including Chris Rider and Brian Nagy.

He stated that Chairman Stone would like to take some time before discussing the budget for the Board to discuss what they want the Water Authority to look like in the short term and possibly long term. He stated that between now and the workshop they can think about what

kind of a person they would like to have as a Director. He noted that the Water Authority doesn't have an engineer on staff, or perhaps they want someone who is more a strict accountant/manager. He stated that ultimately the choice is up to them.

**4. CONSENT AGENDA**

Both items were removed and put on the Regular Agenda.

**5. REGULAR AGENDA**

b. Lake Norris Acquisition Agreement Extension

Mr. Perry stated that he had provided them with a summary and chronology of the proposed purchase of the Lake Norris Property. He noted that it was first brought to the Board's attention in June of 2015 and staff was directed to talk with the Seminole State Forest to see if they would be willing to help in the purchase of the property.

He noted that Bear track preserve is located below the property and the Seminole State Forest is also adjacent to the property.

Mr. Perry stated that in September of 2015 he had some real concerns about the proposal as it seemed like we were being forced to take some action based on the land owner's timeline and we wouldn't have time to do the things we would normally do such as an appraisal or to the due diligence we needed to do.

He stated that in November 2015 former Board Member Doug Bryant informed the Board that there wasn't any action needed at that time as the bank wasn't going to take any steps to take the property as long as some state agency was considering the acquisition. He explained that the Board decided at that time to cooperate with St. Johns River Water Management District to obtain an appraisal with our share of the cost not to exceed \$3,500.

He noted that in January of 2016, the District informed the Water Authority that they were busy with their own acquisitions and were going to use a contracted appraiser. He stated that in March of 2016 the Water Authority was informed that we would have the appraisal in 45 days.

Then in Mid-May we 2016 we finally received the appraisal, but at the same time the District also St. Johns was still working on the appraisal – Received in May then the District decided not to partnership in the acquisition.

My Perry stated that staff offered some other options for partnerships to the Board and as staff started to investigate the options throughout the summer, even those options were starting to dwindle.

He explained that in September 2016 the Division of State Lands said they were willing to partner, but as Hurricane Hermine had just passed through they were busy at that time. He stated that in November 2016 the Division of State Lands contacted to Water Authority to say they didn't have money to partner at that time.

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He stated that in the meantime the Green Bank Foundation stated that they would be willing to partner in the amount of \$50,000 and Chairman Doug Bryant at that time had suggested a partial acquisition of 18 acres for \$175,000. He noted that the Board was agreeable to that purchase and in February 2017 the Agency received the money from the Green Bank Foundation to supplement the acquisition of the 18 acres.

Mr. Perry explained that in April 2017 staff went back to the Department of Environmental Protections land acquisition staff and they stated that they were now willing to partner and would do all the due diligence, handle the negotiations, update the appraisal, take the closing cost and retain the title. He noted that Seminole State Forest had stated that they would manage the property.

He stated that then in October 2017, the State had stated that were not going to move forward with the acquisition due to some easement issues. He explained that the easement issues were very complicated, and it took the Water Authority several months to work through those issues.

He stated that the State had stated that if the Water Authority could work out the easement problems, to come back and talk with them again and they would see if they are to partner at that time.

He stated the easement issues were finally resolved in May 2018 and the State put the project back into the funding process and the Board approved a new MOU (Memorandum of Understanding) with the State with the same conditions as the original MOU. In June 2018 the Board acted to change the name of the Chairman on the MOU and changed the date closing date from November 30, 2018 to June 28, 2019.

Mr. Perry explained that after all that the State has stated that they will be ready to close on or before July 10, but the agreement expires on June 28. He stated that it is not up to staff to allow an extension, it is up to the Board whether they can extend the contract and move forward. He stated that if the Board wants to extend the MOU they need to take some action, but if they don't want to extend the MOU and just want to let it expire if the State doesn't close by June 28, they don't need to take any action. He stated that they are under no obligation to extend the MOU.

Ms. Cox asked how much of the property is included in the purchase and Mr. Perry explained that it includes all but the 18 acres that have already been purchased by the Water Authority.

She asked if the Water Authority's contribution is still the \$225,000 that was originally agreed upon and if the Seminole State Forest was still planning on managing the property and Mr. Perry stated that was correct.

Mr. Farner noted that the Water Authority will retain ownership of the original 18 acres that were purchased, and the upcoming purchased property will go to the State. He stated that maintenance of the original 18 acres will remain with us.

Mr. BonJorn questioned whether it was in the best interest of the Water Authority to be spending money for property that we won't be keeping when the Agency could use it toward more hydrilla treatment, etc.

Mr. Perry stated that while this has been budgeted and carried along for a couple of years, there are always new needs that come up. He noted that yes, they could use the money for additional hydrilla treatment or to help fund the new boat ramp in Clermont, but the Board has included the money in the budget for the acquisition and it has been there for at least a couple of years. He stated that it is up to the Board how to expend any funds, but there is a contractual obligation through Friday, June 28.

Ben Gugliotti stated that at this point the State is planning to close by June 28.

Vice Chair Maimone stated that she had voted against this purchase, as she doesn't think the Water Authority needs to own more land. She stated that part of her doesn't want to continue with the purchase, but as another Board had acted on it she felt they should continue.

Mr. Farner agreed that at this point he would rather they complete the process.

Mr. Perry noted that Mr. Hendrick has asked if they could defer the decision until next month and Vice Chair Maimone stated that they couldn't do to the time constraints.

Ms. Cox stated that she would agree that maybe it wasn't the best idea in the first place, but it is probably a good idea to finish the process as the Water Authority has already set the money aside.

**MS. COX MADE A MOTION TO AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO AMEND THE AGREEMENT WITH THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION, DIVISION OF STATE LANDS TO EXTEND THE TERMINATION DATE FROM JUNE 28, 2019 TO JULY 31, 2019.** Mr. Farner seconded the motion.

**Motion approved 4-1 with Mr. BonJorn in opposition.**

- c. Authorization to Transfer Funds for Lake Norris Acres

**MS. COX MADE A MOTION TO AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TOTRANSFER \$225,000 FROM 9898720-860610 LAND ACQUISITIONS TO 9898720-880810 AID TO GOVERNMENT AGENCIES FOR THE PARTNERSHIP WITH FLORIDA DSL TO PURCHASE LAKE NORRIS ACRES.** Mr. Farner seconded the motion.

**Motion approved 5-0.**

- d. Revised Structure Operations Manual for Clermont Chain

Mr. Hart went over the changes made to the verbiage of the Palatlahaha River Dam Operation Manual.

Mr. BonJorn asked if they could add that the Board Members should be notified when water is going to be discharged and Mr. Hart stated that they could.

Vice Chair Maimone agreed that this definitely needs to be in the manual and that Board members need to be informed when water is being released.

Mr. Farner stated that he would like to see the actual language added to the manual before the changes are approved. He stated that they can bring it back on the consent agenda for approval.

e. Status of Lake Denham - Phase II Environmental Assessment

Mr. Hart stated that last month the directions from the Board were to contract with a consultant to review the studies done on Lake Denham and well as the Lake Apopka studies. He explained that he felt the best way to get that done was to hire one of the consultants who performed the greatest majority of the work on the Lake Apopka North Shore Area because hiring someone with no knowledge of what is going on would be a very long process and the cost would be prohibitive.

He stated that he had contacted the St. Johns River Water Management District and they had stated that Susan Tobin had completed over one third of the studies done on the North Shore of Lake Apopka. He stated that in talking with Ms. Tobin she had informed him that it would cost over \$100,000 for her to do that type of review.

He stated that she had explained to him that the projects that her company worked on created well over 100,000 pages in documents and they were only one of the three companies working on those North Shore studies. He noted that there are probably well over 250,000 pages of reports that were generated and there is no way we would be able to get a company to come in and do such a review for anywhere near the amount the Board had given staff permission to expend.

He explained that what he was able to do was to contract with Ms. Tobin to oversee and review the work that was being performed on Lake Denham and then use the general knowledge she already has from working on Lake Apopka to inform of decisions she would advise on Lake Denham.

He explained that the Water Authority has Ms. Tobin under contract for \$5,000 for her to undertake that review and she has been working on helping to revise the scope of work for our consultant which is Aerostar.

Mr. Hart noted that some of her comments were almost identical to Aerostar's recommendations, so there hasn't been a lot of changes, other than just a few added suggestions for sampling.

He explained that even with the additional sampling, the cost is within the amount previously approved by the Board. He stated that the total cost of the new proposal is \$49,943.00, which is just a bit higher than Aerostar's previous cost.

He noted that the report should be ready toward the end of August which will be very late in the process of purchasing the property so in the meantime they will be meeting with our attorney, Kevin Stone next week to go over the process we need to implement in order to move the purchase on a dual track to completion.

He noted that the Board had already approved expending \$70,000 for the cost of sampling and Mr. Hendrick had requested that it be kept below \$50,000, so the cost is within the amount approved by the Board and they don't need to take any action unless they want to do something different.

In response to questions from Ms. Cox about who was completing the work, Mr. Hart explained that Aerostar is our consultant that is performing the work and TASK is reviewing the work and making recommendations.

Ms. Cox asked is if any of this process would hinder the closing and Mr. Hart stated that it won't as that is up to the Board's discretion.

Ms. Cox asked if the owners were getting antsy and Mr. Hart stated that some of them are as they are concerned that they aren't getting the best price, but they haven't backed out at this point.

He noted that the owners have indicated that The Villages has expressed interest in the property for growing their own sod and Black Cow is interested in the property as a peat farm.

f. Lake Joanna Water Quality Study

Mr. Hart stated that Lake Joanna and Loch Leven and stated that an interesting fact about these two lakes are that they are the two highest lakes in elevation in the State of Florida. He stated that the surface elevation for Loch Leven is about 172 msl and Lake Joanna is approximately 169 msl. He explained that they have a very solid plate layer that keeps water from seeping down into the aquifer.

He explained that although some people think these lakes are spring-fed, it is just the opposite. He stated that if either of those lakes had a connection to the aquifer they would drain like a bathtub and never come back. He explained that there is over a hundred-foot difference in elevation between the Floridan Aquifer pressure and those surface water body elevations. He noted that the lakes do receive seepage water from rainfall from the slopes, hills and wetlands adjoining the lakes and into the lakes.

He stated that the water quality in Lake Joanna has been degrading and that is why the residents are concerned. He stated that historically Lake Joanna has been one of the cleanest waterbodies in Lake County, especially in the developed areas.

He explained that when the residents start to see algal blooms, it causes alarm, as historically they have seen anything like this in the past.

Mr. Hart stated that there has been a lot more development in that basin and with that development the ditch that interconnects Loch Leven to Lake Joanna and the stormwater ponds have started to show high nutrient levels and algal blooms.

He stated that in 2010 we contacted Lake Watch and they created a mini report by looking at the historical water quality data which showed that the water quality of the lake had been declining



over the long term. He explained that they also took water quality samples in the ditch and found that the nutrients were elevated in the ditch than what was in the lake.

He explained that because of that report, the Water Authority contacted HOA's in the area and they have tried everything to reduce the nutrient loading from their stormwater systems into their ponds. He stated that they have greatly improved the water quality within their own stormwater systems which can be seen by the clarity shown in aerial photography of the area.

Mr. Hart stated that it wouldn't hurt to have better water quality sampling within the ditch and the lake to identify what likely sources are for that continua decline in the lake.

He provided information on the past nutrient levels and stated that there has been an obvious trend of rising nitrogen and chlorophyll-a after 2010 and explained that the residents have been concerned and have been contacting the County asking for help.

He explained that the County has contacted the Water Authority and stated that they have funds to partially fund a study to determine the sources of the nutrients going into that lake in order to make recommendation on how to address those sources and are asking the Water Authority to partner with them in order to fully fund the study.

He stated that staff is recommending approval to award the funding requested by Lake County that is necessary to complete the study.

**MR. BONJORN MADE A MOTION TO AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO FUND THE BALANCE OF LAKE COUNTY'S LAKE JOANNA WATER QUALITY STUDY FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$32,175.** Ms. Stokes seconded the motion.

Ms. Cox noted that when the water is high in Loch Leven it flows into Lake Joanna. She asked about the quality of water in Loch Leven and Mr. Hart explained that quality is good in Loch Leven, but part of the problem is what the water is picking up on its way to Lake Joanna.

Mr. Farner asked if some of the water also flows Wolf Branch and Mr. Hart stated that although some water will flow in that direction when Loch Leven is high, but there is not a natural connection.

Mr. Farner asked how long the study would take and Mr. Hart explained that it would take approximately nine months to a year, as the sampling portion would take at least six months.

**Motion approved 5-0.**

**MS. STOKES MADE A MOTION TO AUTHORIZE THE TRANSFER OF \$32,175 FROM 710-340 CONTRACTOR SERVICES TO 710-810 AID TO GOVERNMENT AGENCIES.** Ms. Cox seconded the motion.

**Motion approved 5-0.**

- g. Revised Approach to Lake Yale Sediment Inactivation Project

Dr. Danaher stated that in February the Board asked staff to release a request for proposal for treating the phosphorous levels in the Lake Yale sediment. He explained that they put together a draft request for proposals which is basically a design/build where the Agency would solicit responses from qualified vendors where they would look over the data from the recent study of the lake that we would provide and apply their technology and provide a solution to the nutrient loading.

He stated that one of the RFP's evaluation criteria was to evaluate price up front so that the Agency could have an idea as to where it would fit into the Agency's potential budget.

He explained that looking at the Consultant Competitive Negotiation Act and Florida State Statutes it was determined that we are not allowed to request pricing up front for that type of design/build project. He noted that once the Water Authority had received responses back they would be able to read through them and rank the respondents and then enter into negotiations on the cost of implementing their technologies.

Dr. Danaher explained that if we can't do that with the first firm, we would then proceed to the next ranked firm, etc. until they can reach a price and treatment technology that we are agreeable to.

He stated that the process could be time consuming to evaluate any new technologies and the history of those technologies and whether they would have long-term benefits on the water quality in Lake Yale.

He explained that once we enter into negotiations, the vendor would know what our budget would be, and we might not get the best the best solution for the money.

He explained that with a project as large scale as this one could and the potential budget the Florida State Statutes require that one of the staff members that would be involved in the negotiations would have to be a certified contract negotiator and stated that the Water Authority doesn't have anyone on staff with that certification.

Dr. Danaher stated that the way Lake County is able to do some of their larger scale projects is by defining a scope of work and then putting out a Request for Bid rather than an RFP (Request for Proposal), so that companies are competing against each other up front and the County also knows the cost of the project up front.

He noted that rather than releasing an RFP, the Water Authority could release a Request for Bids and we would define the scope of work and put it into the paperwork when we solicit the responses, and it would clearly define what we want the contractors to accomplish and the technologies we may want them to use for the project.

**MR. BONJORN MADE A MOTION TO DIRECT THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO RELEASE EITHER A REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS OR REQUEST FOR BIDS TO TREAT PHOSPHORUS CONCENTRATIONS PRESENT IN LAKE YALE SEDIMENT.**

Ms. Cox seconded the motion.

Mr. Farner stated that he is okay with staff moving forward with the project. He asked when the last time staff had been out to look at the lake and Dr. Danaher stated that they have been out recently and the phosphorous levels in the lake are still elevated

Mr. Perry reminded the Board that they always have the option to reject all bids should they not be happy with the responses they receive.

**Motion approved 5-0.**

## **6. PUBLIC COMMENT**

Michelle Miller addressed the Board and explained that she and some of her neighbors were there to discuss their concerns about Turkey Lake and Pumpkin Center Lake which is fed by the Dilly Marsh via a ditch that feeds into the lakes.

She stated that in 2017 after the hurricanes came through there was quite a bit of water and for a while it had seemed like the natural flow of water had returned to Turkey Lake and Pumpkin Center Lake and water was also flowing under Number 2 Road.

She showed pictures taken by drone a couple of weeks ago and explained that recently they were able to locate where the natural flow of water has been impeded by a makeshift road that was built without a culvert and the water that normally flows into Turkey Lake and Pumpkin Center Lake is backing up and creating standing water on the side of the road.

Ms. Miller stated that residents in the area would like to see a culvert installed under that road so that the flow of water to the lakes can be restored.

She explained that Lyden Properties owns the property and rents it out and the renters grow watermelons and hay. She stated that the residents have sent a friendly letter to the property owners, as suggested by staff at St. Johns River Water Management, asking that the issue be rectified. They were also told to report it to Code Enforcement if the owners not respond.

She stated they have not gone to Code Enforcement yet as they are trying to resolve it in a friendly and neighborly fashion if possible.

Ms. Cox asked what is normally where the water is standing, and Ms. Miller explained that it is Dilly Marsh. She stated that the road has stopped the flow of water from Dilly Marsh and the water is standing in the marsh.

Mr. Hart stated that the Water Authority owns and operates the gated culvert on the ditch at Dewey Robbins Road along Highway 27 and it appears that the property owner has blocked the flow by adding fill to create the road.

He explained for about fifteen years before the road was created the area was dry due to lack of rain, but once there were rainfall events where there should have been water flow, it couldn't because it was blocked off at that location.

He stated that the reason that there was water again in the Turkey Lake area, is that this past year is that the property owner had become concerned about how high the water was getting in Dilly Marsh and had opened up the ditch and allowed some flow through to reduce the water in the marsh. Ms. Miller noted that the property owner has filled the ditch in again since then and the culvert is now dry again.

Ms. Cox asked what the property owner does with the land and Ms. Miller explained that they rent the property out to others so there has been cattle, hay and watermelon over the last few years.

Vice Chair Maimone stated that it is probably the tenants that are blocking the flow and Ms. Miller stated that is why they sent a letter to the owner, as the owner may not even know what has been happening.

Mr. Hart stated that this is a sticky situation and he had been made aware of the blockage by the residents. He explained that it is on private property. He stated that he has spoken with another nearby property owner who is going to speak with property owner.

Ms. Miller noted that the letter to Lyden Properties LLC was just mailed that week, so they haven't yet received a response.

Mr. Hart stated that if they get no response, the residents can speak with Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) as the Water Authority can't control the amount of water that is reaching or not reaching the culvert.

Vice Chair Maimone stated that she would make Commissioner Sullivan aware of this part of the meeting.

Mr. Hart stated that the aerials show that this was a natural lake in the 1980s.

Ms. Miller stated that she would appreciate any assistance the Water Authority can provide.

**MR. FARNER MADE A MOTION TO DIRECT STAFF TO WORK WITH THE RESIDENTS.** Mr. BonJorn seconded the motion

**Approved 5-0.**

## **7. LEGAL COUNSEL REPORT**

Attorney Stone stated that there have been some new legislative changes this year that might affect the Water Authority.

He stated that some of the changes could mean some possible content changes on the website and noted that there has been an addition to the Constitution regarding ethics regarding government employees that making disproportionate use of their position.

He stated that at this time, the Ethics Commission is in the process of making rules in light of those changes.

**8. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS**

Mr. BonJorn stated that he agreed with Mr. Farner that they should look into what they can do to help the residents on Turkey Lake.

**9. BOARD MEMBER ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDA**

None

**10. INFORMATION ITEMS**

- a. Staff Reports
- b. Monthly Financial Reports – May 2019

**11. ANNOUNCEMENT OF UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS**

**12.** Budget Workshop - Wednesday, July17, 2019 (11:00am)  
LCWA Conference Room

**13.** Board Meeting - Wednesday, July 24, 2019 (3:30 pm)  
BCC Chambers/Admin. Building

**13. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 5:28 p.m.