



Jacksonville Environmental  
Protection Board

### **Jacksonville Environmental Protection Board Members**

Thomas Deck - Chairman  
Adam Hoyles – Vice Chairman  
Megan Ferer, Josh Gellers, Ph.D., Desiree C. Jones, LMHC, Sunil Joshi, MD,  
Clint Noble, P.G., Guillermo Simon, P.E., Margarete Vest, P.E.

### **Air Odor Noise Committee**

Clint Noble, P.G. – Chair  
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Megan Ferer  
Sunil Joshi, MD  
Margarete Vest, P.E.

### **Water Committee**

Adam Hoyles – Chair  
Megan Ferer  
Desiree Jones, LMHC  
Guillermo Simon, P.E.  
Margarete Vest, P.E.

## **Jacksonville Environmental Protection Board** **Monday, July 21, 2025** **MONTHLY MEETING SUMMARY**

### **MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Thomas Deck, Chair  
Adam Hoyles, Vice-Chair  
Clint Noble, P.G.

Josh Gellers, Ph.D.  
Desiree Jones  
Guillermo Simon, P.E.

### **MEMBERS NOT PRESENT:**

Megan Ferer

Sunil Joshi, M.D

### **STAFF/RESOURCES PRESENT:**

James Richardson, JEPB Staff  
Cherry Pollock, OGC

Terry Carr, EQD

### **VISITOR(s) PRESENT:**

John Nooney  
Ted Mikelson

## CALL TO ORDER

TOM DECK

## INTRODUCTIONS

Chair Deck called to order the monthly meeting of the Jacksonville Environmental Protection Board (JEPB) at 5:00 pm. A quorum was established.

## CHAIRMAN'S REMARKS

None

## COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

Mr. John Nooney shared his request for a JEPB resolution recognizing his efforts in advancing various FIND potential land acquisition projects, and also statements on the hearing authority being granted the JEPB in upcoming legislation before the City Council.

## APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- June 16, 2025 Monthly Board Meeting Summary

A motion was made (Hoyle) to approve the meeting summary, properly seconded (Jones) and approved by the body.

## CONSENT ORDERS

JAMES RICHARDSON

### Air

None

### Water

**Merrill Road Storage Inc, D&K Development Group LLC, Lion Construction Inc, [WP-25-12] at 9383 Merrill Road, Illicit discharge of non-stormwater to the MS4; and emissions of fugitive particulate to public right-of-way causing a nuisance.**

#### Corrective Actions:

*NTC due by June 2, 2025 – stated dewatering pump was turned off*

#### Consent Order settlement fee:

**\$2,300**

#### Consent Order requirements:

*Penalty payment only*

**Hawk Normandy, LLC; Smith Trucking Company, Inc., [ESC-25-07] at 0 Forest Trail Road,** Discharge of non-stormwater or turbid water to City municipal separate storm sewer system ("MS4"); Failure to comply with erosion and sediment control requirements.

Corrective Actions:

*NTC due by June 2, 2025 – stated dewatering pump was turned off*

Consent Order settlement fee:

**\$3,500**

Consent Order requirements:

*Penalty payment only*

**Lockwood Estates Holdco LLC, V.J. Usina Contracting, Inc., [ESC-25-08] at 3922 Jones Road and 9260 Lockwood Road;** Discharge of non-stormwater or turbid water to City municipal separate storm sewer system ("MS4"); Failure to comply with erosion and sediment control requirements.

Corrective Actions:

*The site's BMPs were reinstalled in accordance with specifications.*

Consent Order settlement fee:

**\$3,500**

Consent Order requirements:

*Penalty payment Only*

**Young Kids in Motion Academy, [WP-25-10] at 6211 Terry Rd,** Discharge of untreated wastewater to the ground, surrounding environment and stormwater system; and Failure to notify EQD of Discharge from the System and Failure to provide required records.

Corrective Actions:

*Sewer line repaired*

Consent Order settlement fee:

**\$1,500**

Consent Order requirements:

*Penalty payment only*

A motion to approve the consent orders as presented was made (Noble), properly seconded (Simon) and approved by the body.

## ENFORCEMENT REPORT

MELISSA LONG

There were no questions or concerns.

## NEW BUSINESS

- Funding Request – 18<sup>th</sup> State of the River Report

Mr. Richardson acknowledged that Dr. Pinto was out of the country. He then shared his review of the funding request along with background information. He made the following recommendation:

Based on the foregoing, it is the recommendation of the JEPB staff that the funding request be approved with the following conditions:

1. Seek approval of an appropriation of \$112,962 to Jacksonville University to provide funding for the Eighteenth State of the River Report to be disbursed per terms outlined in a research agreement.
2. Seek approval of the research agreement
3. Seek waivers of Sec. 111.755 and Sec 360.602 to allow for continued funding of the report
4. Seek a waiver of Sec. 118.107 to allow for a direct contract with Jacksonville University without a competitive evaluated award.
5. Seek exception to Sec. 126.107(g), Ord Code as Jacksonville University will be listed in the authorizing legislation.
6. Seek waiver of Sec. 110.112, Ord Code to allow for the advance of City funds

A motion to approve the funding request as recommended was made (Hoyle) and properly seconded (Gellersn). During discussion, it was confirmed that QR codes are included on the brochure and that there would be an opportunity to include something about litter in the report at the request of the SJRWMD. The motion was approved by the body.

## OLD BUSINESS

- None

## PRESENTATION(s)

- [Groundwork Jacksonville](#)  
[Update on the McCoys Creek Branches Water Quality Project](#)

Kay Ehas introduced John Keiffer who shared information on the project and its success. The information obtained through the project is being considered by FDEP as criteria for water quality credits for stream restoration projects statewide.

## PUBLIC HEARING(s)

- None

## COMMISSION & JEPB COMMITTEE UPDATES

- **Waterways Commission** – no update
- **KJB Commission** – Chief Long shared that the administration has launched a new litter campaign, and that the ICC was coming up the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of September.
- **JEPB Water Branch** – Terry Carr discussed information from the Water Branch report and responded to member questions.
- **JEPB Air Branch** – Chief Long discussed information from the Air Branch report and responded to member questions.

### EPB ADMINISTRATOR REPORT

Mr. Richardson again shared that JEPB committees will not meet for July, however he was recommending that the Water Committee meet for the month of August. He shared that this would be to review language for a rule change which would incorporate the process for new administrative hearings of the JEPB. He shared that the sessions for the symposium are already determined and that announcements about new elements and keynote speakers was forthcoming. He acknowledged Dr. Gellers appointment as the first Faculty Fellow for Artificial Intelligence at UNF.

### ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY DIVISION REPORT

No report.

### ITEMS REFERRED TO COMMITTEES

None

### NEXT SCHEDULED BOARD MEETING(s)

- JEPB Committee Meetings
  - I. JEPB Water Committee – August 25, 2025 at 4:30 pm
  - II. JEPB Air Committee – TBD
- JEPB Steering Committee – Monday, August 11, 2025, at 4:00 pm
- JEPB Monthly Meeting – Monday, August 18, 2025, at 5:00 pm

The meeting was adjourned at 6:05 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

*James A Richardson, II*

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Program Administrator