



Jacksonville Environmental  
Protection Board

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**Water Committee**

Adam Hoyles – Chair  
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Beth Leaptrott  
Guillermo Simon

Jacksonville Environmental Protection Board  
Monday, January 16, 2024  
MONTHLY MEETING SUMMARY

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Thomas Deck, Chair  
Guillermo Simon  
David Wood

Adam Hoyles, Vice-Chair  
Josh Gellers

**MEMBERS NOT PRESENT:**

Clint Noble  
Sunil Joshi

Beth Leaptrott

**STAFF/RESOURCES PRESENT:**

James Richardson, JEPB Administrator  
Melissa Long, Chief - EQD

Cherry Pollock, OGC  
Mike Williams, EQD

**VISITOR(s) PRESENT:**

Santiago Simon  
Ronald Fick, UF CCS  
Joey Swegheimer, RD Michaels  
Jason Flower, RD Michaels

John Nooney  
Dan Durbec  
Tricia Kyzar, UF CCS  
Christine Angelini, UF CCS

CALL TO ORDER

THOMAS DECK

INTRODUCTIONS

Chair Deck called to order the monthly meeting of the Jacksonville Environmental Protection Board (JEPB) at 5:03 pm. A quorum was established.

CHAIRMANS REMARKS

None

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

John Nooney addressed the members regarding various topics including a parcel on Pottsburg Creek, waterways access and resilience.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion to approve meeting summaries for the November 20, 2023, JEPB meeting was made (Simon), properly seconded (Gellers) and approved by the body.

CONSENT ORDERS

Air/Noise

- **CRUSH-IT, Inc.** [AP-23-10 at 6602 Colray Court] Failure to submit relocation notice at least one (1) business day prior to relocation.

Corrective Actions:

Permittee provided relocation form

Consent Order settlement fee: **\$600**

Consent Order requirements:

Payment only.

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

Water

- **Jacksonville 194 LLC** [WP-23-03 at 7557 Arlington Expressway] Discharge of untreated wastewater to the ground, stormwater, and surrounding environment; Failure to operate and maintain the System to remain operational; Allowing stormwater to enter the wastewater sewer; failure to comply with Wastewater Collection/Transmission System design standards; failure to notify EQD of Discharge from the System

Corrective Actions:

Wet well was pumped out and cleaned to remove debris and rags

Consent Order settlement fee: **\$3,500**

Consent Order requirements:

Payment only

- **DD FGL 32.4 LLC [WP-23-45 at 13924 Egrets Nest Drive]** Discharge of non-stormwater to City Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System ("MS4"); Failure to comply with erosion and sediment control requirements.

Corrective Actions:

Improved BMPs.

Consent Order settlement fee: **\$3,500**

Consent Order requirements:

Payment only.

- **Lighthouse Jax LLC, and Beauclerc Bay Apartments LTD [WP-23-58 at 9047 San Jose Blvd]** Discharge of untreated wastewater to the ground, surrounding environment and surface water; Failure to comply with Wastewater Collection/Transmission System design standards; and Failure to perform required maintenance, Failure to notify EQD of Discharge from the System.

Corrective Actions:

Jetted FM sewer to break up clog. Aqualis on site to prime and pump down tank.

Consent Order settlement fee: **\$8,000** with mitigation potential.

Consent Order requirements:

- Initial Engineer review within 60 days.
- Final Engineer report within 120 days or deadline established in report.
- Submit Monthly Status Reports starting in January.
- Submit Monthly Maintenance Reports starting in January.

- **Meritage Homes of Florida, Inc. [WP-23-60 at 0 Soutel Drive]** Discharge of non-stormwater to City Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System ("MS4"); Failure to comply with erosion and sediment control requirements.

Corrective Actions:

Construction entrance was enhanced, and dewatering pump shut off.

Consent Order settlement fee: **\$2,800** [\$3,500 less 20% good faith efforts to comply]

Consent Order requirements:

Payment only.

- **SREIT Courtney Manor L.L.C. [WP-23-62 at 5620 Collins Road]** Discharge of untreated wastewater to the ground, surrounding environment, and stormwater system; Allowing stormwater to enter the wastewater sewer; Failure to notify EQD of Discharge from the System and Failure to provide required records.

Corrective Actions:

Grease blockage was cleared.

Consent Order settlement fee: **\$1,000**

Consent Order requirements:

- Within 30 days of the effective date: Submit Education Campaign.
- Within 60 days of the effective date: Submit Jetting/Inspection report.

- Last Day of each month: Submit monthly status reports.
- **Homestead San Jose MF Owner LLC, RangeWater Development, LLC; Summit Contracting Group, Inc.; Pipeline Constructors, Inc.; Universal Engineering Sciences, LLC.** [WP-23-65 at 6765 St. Augustine Road] Discharge of non-stormwater to City Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System ("MS4"); Turbidity discharge to surface water in exceedance of surface water quality standards

Corrective Actions:

Improved BMPs (or restored BMPs)

Consent Order settlement fee: \$3,500

Consent Order requirements:

Payment only

- **Charlottes Point Investment Inc. and Smith Trucking Company, Inc.** WP-23-66 at 0 Cedar Point Road] Discharge of non-stormwater to City Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System ("MS4"); Failure to comply with erosion and sediment control requirements.

Corrective Actions:

Improved BMPs

Consent Order settlement fee: \$2,300.

Consent Order requirements:

Payment only

- **TBR One Riverside Owner, LLC, Live Oak Contracting, LLC, and W. Gardner, LLC** [WP-23-52 at 1 Riverside Avenue] Failure to comply with erosion and sediment control requirements.

Corrective Actions:

Inlet protection installed around onsite inlets.

Consent Order settlement fee: \$900.

Consent Order requirements:

Payment only.

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

**ENFORCEMENT REPORT**

MELISSA LONG

Chief Long reminded all that the format is changed a bit and that at future meetings there will be more time spent on reviewing the report a little more in detail.

**NEW BUSINESS**

- Noise Variance Application – RD Michaels General Contractor
  - Waive JEPB Rule 1.602(e)

Chair Deck asked for background information. James Richardson shared information on the project and the rationale for it being expedited. He asked the members to approve the waiver allowing the application to be considered first by the full board.

A motion was made to approve the waiver (Hoyles), properly seconded (Simon) and approved by the body.

Chair Deck asked that a representative from RD Michaels come forward to share information on the project and request. Jason Flowers provided details on the project and why the variance was being requested. Mike Williams, EQD, then shared his review of the application and his recommendation of approval with conditions.

A motion to approve the variance application as presented by staff was made (Hoyles) and properly seconded (Simon).

During the discussion, there was discussion around the ending date of the variance and with the permits not being place yet, if that date should be extended to November 1<sup>st</sup>. The motion was amended to reflect the November 1, 2024, ending date and was approved by the body.

- Funding Request – Duval County Septic System Vulnerability Assessment

James Richardson shared some insights as to how he learned of this project and then introduced Tricia Kyzar, Christine Angelini and Ronald Fick from the University of Florida Center for Coastal Solutions to share details about the funding request. They responded to questions from the members.

Mr. Richardson then provided his review of the request and if it met the requirements along with affirming that there was adequate funding in the Environmental Protection Fund.

A motion was made to approve the funding request as presented in the staff report (Hoyles), and properly seconded (Simon).

During discussion, there were questions as to how the information would be used and how valuable it would be to city and JEA decision makers regarding future septic to sewer conversion projects. All questions and considerations being addressed, the motion was approved by the body.

**PRESENTATION(s)**

None

**PUBLIC HEARING(s)**

None

**OLD BUSINESS**

**COMMISSION & JEPB COMMITTEE UPDATES**

- **Waterways Commission** – Mr. Hoyles shared that the River Accord task force has begun meeting to discuss water quality in the main stem of the St Johns.
- **KJB Commission** – no report.
- **JEPB Water Committee** – Mr. Carr discussed information from the Water Branch report and responded to member questions.
- **JEPB Air Committee** – Mr. Williams discussed information from the Air Branch report and responded to member questions.

**EPB ADMINISTRATOR REPORT**

Mr. Richardson expressed birthday wishes to two members, that the committees may start meeting again during the first quarter of the year and that he had received a funding request for the State of the River Report and would have it ready for consideration at the February meeting.

**ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY DIVISION REPORT**

No report.

**ITEMS REFERRED TO COMMITTEES**

None

**NEXT SCHEDULED BOARD MEETING(s)**

- **JEPB Committees**
  - Air Committee – TBD
  - Water Committee – TBD
- **JEPB Steering Committee** – Monday, February 12, 2024, at 4:00 pm
- **JEPB Monthly Meeting** – Tuesday, February 20, 2024, at 5:00 pm

The meeting was adjourned at 6:44 pm.