

Acquisition and Restoration Council Meeting Results

Council Meeting: April 9, 2021
Time: 9:00 a.m.
Location: Webinar meeting

Members in Attendance:

Dr. Tim Parsons, DHR
Mr. Erin Albury, FFS
Ms. Lynetta Griner, Citizen Member
Dr. Thomas Eason, FWC
Ms. Elva Peppers, Citizen Member
Mr. Shawn Hamilton, ARC Chair, DEP

ARC Staff Director: Ms. Shauna Allen, DEP

Item 1: Call to Order at 9:00 a.m.

Item 2: Consider the February 12, 2021 meeting and March 2, 2021 regional hearing summaries.

ARC Action: Chair Hamilton made the motion to approve the summaries with Ms. Peppers seconding. ARC approved the item unanimously.

ARC STAFF REPORTS

Item 3: Items approved by the Division of State Lands via the online negative response process since the February 2021 ARC meeting.

ARC Action: No action required.

Item 4: Consider a request to approve revisions to the Interim Management Guidelines.

ARC Action: Chair Hamilton made the motion to approve the guidelines with Dr. Eason seconding. ARC approved the item unanimously.

MANAGEMENT PLANS

Item 5: Consider a 10-year update to the Julington-Durbin Preserve Management Plan (Lease No. 4402).

ARC Action: Chair Hamilton made the motion to approve the management plan with Ms. Peppers seconding. ARC approved the item unanimously.

Item 6: Consider an update to the Ichetucknee Springs State Park Management Plan (Lease No. 2459).

ARC Action: Chair Hamilton made the motion to approve the management plan with Ms. Griner seconding. ARC approved the item unanimously.

FLORIDA FOREVER

Item 7: Hear presentations and take Public Testimony on the Florida Forever 2021 Cycle 1 Proposals and other Florida Forever Projects.

ARC Action: No action required.

Item 8: Adopt the FY 2021-22 Division of State Lands Annual Florida Forever Work Plan for presentation to the Board of Trustees of the Internal Improvement Trust Fund.

ARC Action: Chair Hamilton made the motion to adopt the annual work plan with Ms. Griner seconding. ARC approved the item unanimously.

Item 9: Consider project evaluation reports for Big Pine Preserve and Wilson Ranch 2021 Cycle 1 Florida Forever proposals.

ARC Action: Chair Hamilton made the motion to approve project evaluation reports with Mr. Albury seconding. ARC approved the item unanimously.

Item 10: Vote on whether to add two 2021 Cycle 1 Florida Forever proposals to the 2022 Florida Forever Priority List.

ARC Action: ARC voted unanimously by six members to add Big Pine Preserve and Wilson Ranch proposals to the 2022 Florida Forever Priority List.

ARC voted unanimously by six members to amend the Longleaf Pine Ecosystem boundary to add Big Pine Preserve.

Item 11: Vote on whether to amend the Strategic Managed Area Lands List Florida Forever Project Boundary for the FWC to add one parcel totaling approximately 158 acres in Charlotte County with a tax assessed market value of \$604,350 and remove one property totaling approximately 40 acres in Taylor County.

ARC Action: Mr. Albury made the motion to approve the boundary amendment with Ms. Peppers seconding. ARC voted unanimously by six members to approve the amendment.

Item 12: Vote on whether to amend the Strategic Managed Area Lands List Florida Forever Project Boundary for the DRP to add five properties totaling approximately 184 acres in Columbia and Sumter counties with a tax assessed market value of \$707,769 and remove one parcel totaling approximately 91 acres in Washington County.

ARC Action: Chair Hamilton made the motion to approve the boundary amendment with Ms. Griner seconding. ARC voted unanimously by six members to approve the amendment.

CLOSING COMMENTS

The meeting was adjourned at 10:18 a.m.