



ALACHUA COUNTY LAND CONSERVATION BOARD

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Mission Statement

To acquire, improve,
and manage
environmentally
significant lands that
protect water
resources, wildlife
habitats and natural
areas suitable for
resource-based
recreation.

Brian Block

Chair

Melissa Hill

Vice-Chair

Kristen Young

Secretary

Aubrey Heupel Greene

BJ Bukata

Bruce A. Blackwell

Dewayne Baines

Jason Teisinger

Mark Hostetler

Paul Lyrene, Dr.

Russ Weber

Alternate

Catherine (Kate) Lee

Meeting Minutes

May 25th, 2023 5:30 P.M.

Grace Knight Conference Room

12 SE 1st Street, Second Floor,

Alachua County Administration Building

In-Person Meeting

LCB attendees: *Brian Block, Melissa Hill, Kristen Young, Aubrey Heupel Greene, Dewayne Baines, Jason Teisinger, Mark Hostetler, Russ Weber, Catherine Lee, BJ Bukata*

Staff attendees: *Andi Christman, Emily Uhlmann, Cory Gillis, Ryan Kennelly, Michael Bird; Virtual: Mike Nelson, Andy Natwick, Jesse Natwick*

Public attendees: *Dennis Clayton, Kali Blount, Tom Kay (virtual)*

1) Call to Order

Meeting called to order by Chair Brian Block at 5:49 PM

2) Agenda

a) Approval of Agenda

Russ Weber moved to approve the meeting agenda; BJ Bukata seconded the motion; Motion passed 10-0

3) Approval of Minutes from April 27th, 2023

Jason Teisinger moved to approve the minutes from the February 23, 2023 LCB meeting; BJ Bukata seconded the motion; Motion passed 10-0

4) Property Evaluations – Staff Presentations

a) Watermelon Pond – Sheffield - Presented by Corey Gillis, Nominated by owner

BJ Bukata moved to place the property in the eligibility pool. Aubrey Heupel Greene seconded the motion. Motion passed 10-0.

BJ Bukata moved to place the property in the priority pool Russ Weber seconded the motion. Motion passed 10-0

b) Lake Forest Creek – Friedman - Presented by Ryan Kennelly

Nominated by owners; Dennis Clayton, broker for the property, was present and answered questions;

Jason Teisinger moved to place the property in the eligibility pool; BJ Bukata seconded the motion; Motion passed 9-1

- c) **Paynes Prairie Additions – Koppaka Family Foundation - *Presented by Emily Uhlmann; Nominated by owners***

Tom Kay from Alachua Conservation Trust shared potential conservation status of adjacent properties and a potential conservation corridor from Serenola Forest Preserve to Paynes Prairie Preserve

Jason Teisinger moved to the place the property in the eligibility pool, BJ Bukata seconded the motion; Motion passed 10-0

Jason Teisinger moved to place the property in the priority pool; Catherine Lee seconded the motion; Motion passed 10-0

5) Old Business

- a) **LCB Workshop discussion**

A new poll will be emailed to board members to indicate their availability for the LCB Workshop

6) New Business

- a) **Election of Vice Chair**

Kristen Young nominated Aubrey Heupel Greene to serve as Vice Chair of the LCB; Melissa Hill seconded the motion, Motion passed 10-0

7) Staff Updates

- a) **Acquisition Updates - Presented by Michael Bird**

Dihn Property - Lake Santa Fe in due diligence period, expecting to close later in the summer;

Lochloosa Slough - Colasante in due diligence period, expecting to close later in the summer;

Mill Creek - Rembert - LOI sent, negotiations started;

Lochloosa Creek Flatwoods - Sherouse & Flowers;

Lochloosa Creek Flatwoods - Jackson Heirs Property

8) Other Business

- a) **Next meeting date – June 22nd, 2023**

9) Public Comment

Kali Blount provided public comment on potential development of the Gainesville Power District

Secretary Kristen Young requested staff bring information regarding the parcel owned by Alachua County located south of the Lake Forest Creek - Friedman Paul Trustee parcel to the next LCB meeting.

10) Adjourn - Meeting adjourned by Chair Brian Block at 7:28 PM

A public speaker who meets the definition of “lobbyist” per Alachua County Code Section 68.02 shall disclose that he or she is a registered lobbyist when addressing the Board.