

# 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
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Vice-Chair
Kristen Young
Secretary

Amy Schwarzer
BJ Bukata
Bruce A. Blackwell
Dewayne Baines
Jason Teisinger
Mark Hostetler
Paul Lyrene, Dr.
Russ Weber

Alternate
Catherine (Kate) Lee

## **Meeting Minutes**

June 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2023 5:30 P.M. Grace Knight Conference Room 12 SE 1<sup>st</sup> Street, Second Floor, Alachua County Administration Building In-Person Meeting

LCB attendees: Brian Block, Jason Teisinger, Bruce Blackwell, Kristen Young, Amy Schwarzer, Paul Lyrene, Russell Weber, Mark Hostetler, Aubrey Greene, BJ Bukata, Bruce Blackwell, Dewayne Baines

Staff attendees: Andi Christman, Emily Uhlmann, Andy Natwick (virtual), Michael Byrd, Ryan Kennelly

Public attendees: Andrew Hirshik (virtual)

### Call to Order

Meeting called to order by Chair Brian Block at 5:30

## 2) Agenda

a) Approval of Agenda

*Motion:* Jason moved to approve the agenda. Bruce seconded the motion. *Action:* The agenda was approved with a unanimous vote

### 3) Approval of Minutes from May 25th, 2023

Motion: Bruce Blackwell moved to approve the minutes from the May 25, 2023 LCB meeting. BJ Bukata seconded the motion.

Action: The minutes for the May 25, 2023 LCB meeting were approved with a unanimous vote of 12-0.

### 4) Introduction of New Member – Amy Schwarzer

### 5) Desktop Evaluations – Staff Presentations

a) Gainesville Archipelago – Modern Trends Development LLC Gainesville Archipelago – Modern Trends Development LLC presented by: Andy Natwick; Nominated by: Brian Cotter One of the owners, Andrew Hirshik, was present virtually and answered questions about the property.

Motion: Jason Teisinger moved to place the Gainesville Archipelago — Modern Trends Development property in the eligibility pool as a bargain share agreement. Mark Hostetler seconded the motion. Motion passed with a vote of 10-2, with Paul Lyrene and Dewayne Baines in dissent.

Action: The Gainesville Archipelago — Modern Trends Development property was placed in the Eligibility Pool as a Bargain -Share agreement.



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Public comments: None

## LCB members requested that:

- The greenway presentation given to the Gainesville City Commission at their June 22<sup>nd</sup> 2023 meeting to be provided to LCB members by email
- ACF Staff provide updates on previously nominated properties within the Gainesville city boundaries which might be candidates for partnership now that the City may have an avenue of funding to acquire properties
- ACF Staff share the outcome of conversations with the City of Gainesville and Alachua Conservation Trust regarding this property specifically (Modern Trends Development LLC)
- The Infinity Loop presentation given to the Gainesville City Commission provided to LCB members by email

### 6) Old Business

- a) Revisit Odom Evaluation Removed from agenda
- b) Update on County-owned parcel south of Friedman

Parcel is on the list of potential affordable housing sites. List is managed by the Alachua County Community Support Services department. Additional information is being gathered.

c) LCB Workshop discussion

Morning of July 29<sup>th</sup> identified as a date for workshop

### 7) New Business

None

#### 8) Staff Updates

a) Acquisition Updates - presented by Michael Bird

<u>Lochloosa Slough – Colasante</u>: due diligence period with possible closing in *July* 2023

<u>Lake Santa Fe - Dinh</u>: due diligence period with possible closing in July 2023

<u>Mill Creek - Rembert conservation easement</u>: LOI accepted, contract to be negotiated

Lochloosa Creek - Sherouse & Flowers: appraised in May 2023

<u>Lochloosa Slough - Jackson Heirs</u>: reappraised in May 2023, offer being developed

<u>Lochloosa Forest Connection - Rimes</u>: appraisal occurring on June 23<sup>rd</sup> 2023

<u>Watermelon Pond - Lebowitz & Poucher</u>: co-owner accepted a buy-out offer from a fellow co-owner. Conversations with remaining owners will continue.

## b) Stewardship Update

Third quarter stewardship update presented by Andi Christman



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## 9) Other Business

a) Next meeting date – July 27<sup>th</sup>, 2023

## 10) Public Comment No public comment

## 11) Adjourn

Chair Brian Block adjourned the meeting at 7:18 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.