



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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Paul Lyrene, Dr.

Russ Weber

Alternate

Catherine (Kate) Lee

Meeting Minutes

August 24th, 2023 5:30 P.M.

Grace Knight Conference Room

12 SE 1st Street, Second Floor,

Alachua County Administration Building

In-Person Meeting

In attendance:

LCB Members: BJ Bukata, Kate Lee, Aubrey Huepel Greene, Dewayne Baines, Kristen Young (Arrived 6:00), Paul Lyrene, Russ Weber, Jason Teisinger, Brian Block

Staff – Emily Uhlmann, Kevin Ratkus, Andi Christman, Michael Bird, Dave Forziano, Andy Natwick, Corey Gillis

Public - Aimee Oelrich

Call to Order – Chair Block Called the meeting to order at 5:33

1) **Agenda**

- a) Approval of Agenda – Motion to approve the Agenda = Russ Weber, Second = BJ Bukata; Passed Unanimously

2) **Approval of Minutes from July 27th, 2023** – Motion to approve the Minutes = BJ Bukata, Second = Russ Weber; Passed Unanimously

3) **Sunshine Law Presentation** – Presented by County Attorney Dave Forziano

4) **Property Evaluations – Staff Presentations**

- a) Watermelon Pond – Oelrich – Presented by Emily Uhlmann

Motion to move the Watermelon Pond - Oelrich Property to the Eligibility Pool as a Bargain Share Purchase: Motion = BJ Bukata, Second = Kate Lee, Motion Passes with Dewayne Baines Dissenting.

Motion to move the Watermelon Pond - Oelrich Property to the Priority Pool as a Bargain Share Purchase: Motion = Kristen Young, Second = Aubrey Huepel Greene, Motion Passes Unanimously.

5) **Old Business**

- a) Barr Hammock – Sheffield
- i) Response from DEP on interest in managing - Presented by Emily Uhlmann If ACF acquires the property, DEP would be willing to manage it as part of Paynes Prairie Preserve State Park; Emily read email from DEP

Motion to move the Barr Hammock – Sheffield Property to the Priority Pool: Motion = Kristen Young, Second = Aubrey Huepel Greene, Motion Passes with Dewayne Baines dissenting.

- b) Lochloosa Slough – Odom – Presented by Andi Christman

Motion to move the Lochloosa Slough – Odom Property to the Eligibility Pool:

Motion = Dewayne Baines, Second = Paul Lyrene; Motion Passes

Unanimously.

Motion to move the Lochloosa Slough – Odom Property to the Priority Pool:

Motion = Dewayne Baines, Second = Russ Weber; Motion Passes

Unanimously.

6) New Business

7) Staff Updates

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

- b) Turkey Creek Preserve Boardwalk and Observation Platform

- i) Discussion of construction plans and FRDAP grant application

8) Public Comment

9) Other Business

- a) Next meeting date – September 28th, 2023

10) Adjourn – *Meeting adjourned at 8:02*

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.