The New River Solid Waste Association Board of Directors met for a Regular Board Meeting at 5:00 p.m. on November 8, 2018 with the following members present:

Commissioner Karen Cossey, Chairwoman
Commissioner Kenny Thompson, Secretary/Treasurer
Commissioner Chris Dougherty
Commissioner Cathy Rhoden
Commissioner Jimmy Tallman

Others present were: Perry Kent, Executive Director
Joel Woolsey, Assistant Director
Lydia Greene, Office Manager/Admin. Asst.
Melissa Waters, Finance Officer
Russ Wade, Board Attorney

Chairwoman Cossey called the meeting to order. Prayer was led by Commissioner Dougherty followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairwoman Cossey called for a motion on agenda item #2, Approval of Expenditures for September and October 2018. Commissioner Dougherty made a motion to approve the expenditures for September and October 2018. Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Chairwoman Cossey called for a motion on agenda item #3, Approval of Regular Board Minutes for September 13, 2018. Commissioner Thompson made a motion to approve the minutes for the Regular Board Minutes for September 13, 2018. Commissioner Tallman seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Chairwoman Cossey asked if there were any questions or comments from the public. There were none.
Chairwoman Cossey called for discussion of agenda item #5, Engineering Updates/Other. Ms. Carol Sawyer, Jones Edmunds, said there were two Engineering Work Orders to present to the board for approval.

Ms. Sawyer said Agenda Item 5A is for Work Order #88, EGC (Exposed Geomembrane) Construction Engineering in the amount of $229,000 and will provide for the engineering activities for the EGC materials to begin closure of a portion of the landfill. Mr. Kent said this is like the material on the bioreactor but newer and better. Mr. Kent added that we will use closure money for this project.

Chairwoman Cossey called for a motion on Work Order #88 for $229,000 as presented. Commissioner Dougherty made a motion to approve the work order. Commissioner Rhoden seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Mrs. Sawyer said Agenda Item #5B is for Work Order #89, Cell 7 Construction Assistance in the amount of $198,500 for the engineering responsibilities for construction of Cell 7 which will be the last 20 acre cell of New River’s Phase I landfill site.

Chairwoman Cossey asked for a motion on Work Order #89 for $198,500. Commissioner Thompson made a motion to approve the work order as presented. Commissioner Tallman seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Chairwoman Cossey called for discussion of Agenda Item #6, LGTE Project Update and Contract Status. Mr. Kent said that two meetings have been held with Fortistar. The first was a site tour by staff at New River for them to collect information. All the information requested was handed over promptly and efficiently by Jones Edmunds and so their scheduled two day meeting took only part of one day. The second meeting was with management to discuss what both sides wanted to see in the contract. Mr. Kent said Fortistar stated at that time that New River would be moving to the top of their project list. The contract will be reviewed now by the attorneys. In conjunction with contract review, Fortistar is moving forward on the pipeline and other steps needed to make this project happen. Mr. Kent said from everything that has taken place, he feels this should be a successful project.

Chairwoman Cossey asked for discussion for Agenda Item #7, Discuss Bids received for IFB 18-02 Asbestos Excavation and Relocation. Mr. Kent said that unlike last time about three years ago when only one bid
was submitted which was for far more than the budgeted amount and rejected, this time we received five bid submittals for relocation of the asbestos. A bid summary has been provided to the board. The lowest bid amount was submitted as an incomplete bid package and could not be considered. The next lowest complete bid package submitted was from Best-Tec for $92,500. Mr. Woolsey said that this company is qualified and has done other asbestos removal projects in Florida with good reviews. Mr. Kent said staff recommendation is to award the bid to Best-Tec for Asbestos Material Excavation and Relocation.

Chairwoman Cossey asked for a motion on awarding the bid to Best-Tec as recommended. Commissioner Dougherty made a motion to award the bid for Asbestos Excavation and Relocation to Best-Tec. Commissioner Rhoden seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Chairwoman Cossey called for discussion under agenda item #8, Discuss Request from UF to renew additional Service Agreement Contract Titled New River Regional Landfill FY 18-19 Technical and Permitting Assistance. Mr. Kent said last year we used UF for additional tasks and projects under this same contract wording. Mr. Laux now teaches at UF and is working on New River’s projects with his students. Mr. Kent said the contract presented is for $20,000 which is the same amount approved last year and will be for UF work performed and billed to this contract amount for an amount not to exceed. Mr. Laux said that new research and techniques are being developed as time goes on and UF is being called on to provide support for Jones Edmunds and New River as these issues come up.

Chairwoman Cossey called for a motion to approve the contract with UF in the amount of $20,000 as presented. Commissioner Rhoden made a motion to approve the contract with UF in the amount not to exceed $20,000 for technical and permitting assistance. Commissioner Tallman seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Chairwoman Cossey asked for discussion of Agenda Item #9, Discuss Budget Amendments for FY 1017-2018 and FY 2018-2019. Ms. Waters said that two budget amendments have to do with the asbestos project. A total of $11,975 for unused expenses in a Jones Edmunds work order and $150,000 for the asbestos relocation will be moved from the 2017-2018 budget to the budget for 2018-2019 to cover the asbestos removal project expenses occurring in the current year.
Chairwoman Cossey called for a motion to approve the budget amendments. Commissioner Dougherty made a motion to approve the budget amendments as presented for FY 2017-2018 and 2018-2019 as presented. Commissioner Tallman seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Chairwoman Cossey called for discussion of Agenda Item #10, Discuss Change of start time for NRSWA regular board meetings. Mr. Kent said that typically no one from the public comes to our meetings and he would like to see if the board was agreeable to changing the start time to 12:00 noon instead of the current 5:00 p.m. which could be followed by the library meeting. Mr. Kent said that if we were contracted by someone from the public that wanted to speak to the board we could change the meeting time to accommodate that need. Chairwoman Cossey said we could also contact the library to coordinate the meetings since the same board members attend both. Commissioner Dougherty said this should work for him but would let someone know if it becomes a problem.

Chairwoman Cossey asked for a motion to change the regular board meeting time to noon. Commissioner Rhoden made a motion to change the meeting time to noon. Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Chairwoman Cossey asked for any discussion under Agenda Item #11, Alachua County Issues/Items. There was no one from Alachua County present. Mr. Kent said no issues that we know of. We are also working less Saturdays now than we used to due to much fewer requests lately from Alachua County to be open on Saturdays.

Chairwoman Cossey asked for discussion of agenda item #12, Attorney Issues/Items. Mr. Wade did not have anything for discussion.

Chairwoman Cossey asked for discussion under agenda item #13, Executive Director Issues/Items. Mr. Kent said he did not have anything for discussion.

Chairwoman Cossey called for any discussion under agenda item #14, Board/Chairman Issues/Items. Commissioner Thompson said he was glad to be back after the election. Chairwoman Cossey asked about the trailer that
was stolen. Mr. Kent said it had not been found but a claim had been filed with the insurance company and we did get some money back.

Chairwoman Cossey called for a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Thompson made a motion to adjourn which was seconded by Commissioner Tallman. The meeting was adjourned.