

Wakulla Springs Alliance

Annual General Meeting

Friday, January 27, 2023
9:00 AM – 9:30 AM

Leon County's Renaissance Community Center second floor conference room
(457 W Virginia St, Tallahassee, FL 32301) <https://fsu.zoom.us/j/97207430086>

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9:00 Opening

- Welcome and introductions – Michael Keys
- Agenda review – Keys
- Quorum determination – Keys
WSA has 38 members. 12 are needed for a quorum; more than that are participating. (Appendix A)
(Bob Deyle left at this point to attend another meeting, his presence not being necessary to maintain a quorum in this meeting.)

9:15 Annual Financial Report - Jim Davis (Appendix B)

- Albert Gregory made the motion to approve the Financial Report, seconded by Gail Fishman and passed unanimously.

9:18 Election of directors

- Presentation of nominees – Howard Kessler/Brian Lupiani
Nominees presently on the Board of Directors to serve new two-year terms:
 - Bob Deyle
 - Tom Taylor
 - Lindsay Stevens
 - Rob Gelhardt
 - Cal Jamison

Nominees to fill vacant positions on the Board of Directors to serve two-year terms:

- Chad Hanson
- Anthony Gaudio

Short bios of Director nominees to fill vacant positions: See Appendix C.

- There were no nominations from the floor and no discussion.
- Tom Taylor made the motion to approve election of the slate, seconded by Albert Gregory and passed unanimously.

9:20 Adjourn

- Cal Jamison made the motion to adjourn, seconded by Debbie Lightsey and passed unanimously.

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Board of Directors Meeting

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9:25 Minutes of November 18, 2022, meeting - Tom Taylor

Jim Davis made the motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Brian Lupiani and passed unanimously

9:25 Election of officers

- Presentation of nominees – Howard Kessler / Brian Lupiani
Chair: Anthony Gaudio
Vice-Chair: Michael Keys
Secretary: Brian Lupiani
Treasurer: Jim Davis
- There were no nominations from other directors and no discussion.
- Debbie Lightsey made the motion to approve election of the slate, seconded by Albert Gregory and passed unanimously.

9:30 Florida springs 2023 legislative update (and more)- Ryan Smart, Executive Director, Florida Springs Council

(Jim Davis left the meeting at about 10:00. A quorum of the Board remained.)

10:45 Springshed and river update - Cal Jamison

- Wildlife, grasses, and submerged vegetation are coming back (large die-off of vultures, though); can't say why.
- Water is very dark and visibility continues to decrease.
- 40,000 gallon sewage spill directly into Munson Slough.
- Preparations underway for dye trace from Meeting House to Wakulla Springs.

10:50 Cave exploration updates – The big connection! - Werner / Hagberg *[may need to set aside more time at the February meeting for a more in depth presentation]*

11:00 Draft Wakulla Ordinance updating the Springs Protection Ordinance regarding underground storage tanks – draft to be released 01/27, public comment until 02/08 – Chad Hanson

- Michael Keys made a motion to establish a subcommittee, led by Chad Hanson, to draft a letter in response to the ordinance in enough time for the Executive Committee to review at least one day prior to the deadline for public comment. The motion was seconded by Brian Lupiani and passed unanimously. Lupiani volunteered to be on the subcommittee. Bob Deyle was volunteered by Keys.

11:15 Membership update - Michael Keys: We currently have 38 paid members; about a dozen former members have not yet paid.

11:20 Other Topics:

1. Chad Hanson proposed organizational and financial support from WSA for a Wakulla Springs symposium for the community and elected officials this spring. Tom Taylor made a motion to expend funds up to \$200.00 on the symposium, with the actual amount to be approved by the Executive Committee. The motion was seconded by Brian Lupiani and passed unanimously.
2. Michael Keys made a motion to expend funds up to \$150.00 per year to rent a P.O. Box for official business, seconded by Debbie Lightsey and passed unanimously.
3. Outreach / field trips for legislators during session – Keys/Jamison/Smart
4. New gas station proposal in the vicinity of Mack's Meats at SR 61/CR 365 (??) – Jamison/Damon
5. Florida Right to Clean Water campaign - Gaudio

Upcoming meetings and events –

Currently, reservations have been made for use of the conference room at the Renaissance Center for the following dates in 2023 from 08:45 - 12:30:
February 24, March 24, April 28, May 19, June 23, July 28, August 25, September 22, October 27, December 1 (conference room not available November 17)

11:50 Adjourn

- Gail Fishman made the motion to adjourn, seconded by Debbie Lightsey and passed unanimously.

Submitted by Brian Lupiani though mostly written by Tom Taylor, Secretary Emeritus.

Appendix A

1-27-23 WAKULLA SPRINGS Annual General Meeting Participants

* Indicates those physically present

Officers

Michael Keys, Interim Chair *

Robert E. Deyle, Vice-Chair

Tom Taylor, Secretary *

Jim Davis, Treasurer *

Directors

Gail Fishman *

Rob Gelhardt

Albert Gregory *

Andreas Hagberg

Cal Jamison

Howard Kessler

Robert Williams

Debbie Lightsey

Brian Lupiani *

Members and Guests

Anthony Gaudio

Scott Hannahs

Chad Hanson

Chuck Hess *

Ryan Smart *

Jim Stevenson

Sophie Wacongne-Spear *

Chris Werner

Appendix B

Appendix C

Wakulla Springs Alliance Nominating Committee Slate of Nominees for January 27, 2023, Elections

Nominating Committee Members: Howard Kessler, Brian Lupiani, Michael Keys

Nominees for Board of Directors

To be elected by WSA members in the annual general meeting

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Nominees for Officers of the Board of Directors To be elected by the Board of Directors.

Chair Anthony Gaudio
Vice-Chair Michael Keys
Secretary Brian Lupiani
Treasurer Jim Davis

Wakulla Springs Alliance Nominating Committee Slate of Board and Officers' Biographic Sketches

Anthony Gaudio was born in 1949 and has lived in Tallahassee for 42 years, and now in the Grassroots Community Land Co-op with his partner Susan Hales. He was married to Lyn Kittle for 35 years. She died after dealing with the debilitating challenges of ALS after 7 years. He has 6 Children ranging in ages from 26 to 54 with 4 grandchildren and 3 great grands. He owned and operated two businesses in Tallahassee Apalachee Septic Tank Inc., sold in 2007 and Apalachee Excavating Inc. sold in 2009. He worked for Harvard and Associates CPA PA as the Senior Business Management consultant until he retired in 2019. He has been an Onsite Wastewater consultant for the New York based Gerson Lehrman Consulting Group Inc. for 20 years. He has a BS in Business Administration from the University of Tampa and has held professional certifications as a State of Florida Master Septic Tank Contractor and also an Underground Utility and Excavating Contractor. He is currently on the Board of Envision Credit Union. He has served on non-profit boards for over 40 consecutive years. He has served as Chair of the Board for; The Tallahassee Housing Foundation, Leon County Food Co-op, The School of Arts and Sciences Charter School (that he and his wife Lyn helped start), Sustainable Tallahassee, and others. He was part of the team that published the EPA Manual for Onsite Wastewater in 2010. He also served on the FL DEP BMAP committee, Leon County Water

Resource Committee, Leon County Septic Ordinance Committee, and the State of FL Septic Tank Code Committee, FL DOH Septic Variance Board, and the FL DOH Research Review Advisory Committee.

Lindsay Stevens, J.D. AICP, is the Director of Protection and the Sustainable Communities Strategy for The Nature Conservancy in Florida. Prior to joining TNC, Lindsay was the Planner in Residence and Research Faculty III with the Florida State University Department of Urban and Regional Planning. Her over twenty years of experience in research and applied project work includes the potential impact of automated vehicles on the future growth and development of urban areas, planning for climate change and sea level rise, park and trails master planning, land use and comprehensive planning. Prior to working with FSU, she served on the executive team for Wakulla County, Florida as Assistant County Administrator, and was responsible for overseeing both the Public Safety and Planning and Community Development Departments. Ms. Stevens also worked on land acquisition and conservation planning matters with The Trust for Public Land, as a land use and real estate attorney with Baker & Hostetler LLP, and as a community planner with Glatting Jackson Kercher Anglin.

Dr. Tom Taylor, AICP, is a part time professor and private consultant. He was the Associate Director of the FCRC Consensus Center for 20 years. This program was created by the legislature to address critical problems facing Florida by promoting and supporting the use of mediation, facilitation and other collaborative processes. Dr. Taylor has worked with public and private parties to seek solutions to case-specific conflicts and policy disputes, and to reach consensus on strategic plans and visions for organizations and communities. His projects range from facilitating a few people for a few hours to multi-meeting processes that take over a year, large groups with as many as 2000 in one meeting and one with a settlement of over five hundred million dollars. Hundreds of elected officials, administrators, staff, mediators, attorneys and others have participated in his trainings.

Dr. Taylor has a Ph.D. in Environmental Design and Planning and is an adjunct professor of Urban Planning at Florida State University. He co-directs the FSU Social Science Scholars Leadership Program and teaches leadership seminars and a negotiation, conflict resolution and consensus building class for planners. Prior to coming to the CRC he was a professor at the University of Oklahoma, a practicing planner, consultant and trainer.

Calvin Jamison BA, MS in Anthropology/Archaeology/Higher Education
DEP Florida Springs Initiative, Wakulla Springs Ambassador 2002-2011. Wakulla Soil and Water Conservationist District, Supervisor, 2013 to present. Beginning third term. Continuing the Wakulla Springs Ambassador role as a volunteer since 2011. Springswatch Volunteer. Friends of Wakulla Springs State Park board member. Wakulla Springs Alliance Board Member. [edit by the preparer: Cal is also the most knowledgeable karst expert in Wakulla County, having absolutely encyclopedic knowledge about the location, natural history, and human history of every swallet, sinkhole, spring vent, sinking stream and spring run in the entire Woodville Karst Plain.]

Robert E. Deyle, PhD. is Professor Emeritus of Urban and Regional Planning at Florida State University, where he taught courses in environmental planning and conducted research on natural hazard mitigation, sea level rise adaptation, and community resilience. He retired in August 2013. He currently serves as coordinator of the Wakulla Springs State Park volunteer wildlife monitoring program and as Secretary of the Capital Area Justice Ministry Executive Board. Deyle holds degrees in biology, environmental management, and environmental science.

Brian Lupiani is a concerned citizen who has regularly attended WSA meetings and has been concerned with the health of Wakulla Springs. He is a long-term and consistent team member responsible for testing the water quality of Wakulla Spring on the weekly water quality surveys and is an advocate for springs protection and restoration.

Appendix D
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