

## **St. Marys River Management Committee**

P.O. Box 251 Folkston, Georgia 31537

### **MINUTES OF MEETING**

**November 2, 2009**

The St. Marys River Management Committee (SMRMC or committee) held its regularly scheduled meeting on November 2, 2009, at the Nassau County Building in Callahan, Florida. Committee members and visitors in attendance are listed on a separate sheet. A quorum of members was present.

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

Co-Chairman Dean Woehrle called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m. The minutes from the October meeting were distributed and approved. The Treasurer's report was reviewed and approved.

#### **Watershed Action Volunteer (WAV) program**

Paula Staples, with the Watershed Action Volunteer program, told the committee that she is looking for volunteers from the Hilliard area to help host an upcoming Water Education Science Night.

#### **Administrative Assistant**

Geoff Sample, with the St. Johns River Water Management District, suggested that the SMRMC consider hiring an administrative assistant to help with the monthly meetings and other committee projects. Sample suggested a pay scale of approximately \$200 per month with an expectation of 30-35 hours of work completed monthly. A motion was made to hire an administrative assistant for four months, at no more than \$250 per month, and then the position will be reviewed after four months. The motion was approved.

#### **University of Georgia/Septic "Think Tank" Update**

Trish Gramajo-St. John, with the Nature Conservancy, encouraged the SMRMC to apply for the Georgia 319 grant. She suggested the committee draft a letter of support, and said the grant should be completed by either Camden or Charlton County. The letter of support is due on Nov. 13, 2009, and the grant application is due Nov. 30, 2009. The grant application must include a match of in-kind services that the committee would be able to provide. Committee member Ken Hase, Camden County, made a motion to authorize the co-chairs to draft a letter of support. The motion was approved and the members suggested the committee could provide \$5,000 worth of in-kind services over a three-year period.

#### **End of the Year Meeting**

The end of the year meeting will be held on Dec. 4, 2009, at White Oak Plantation. The mailing list for invitees will be the same list as was used for the 2008 event.

The meeting adjourned at 9:17 p.m.