



Northeast Georgia Regional Commission  
E.H. Culpepper Conference Room  
July 25, 2019 - 9:00 A.M.

## Minutes

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### Attendees

**Members:**

John Daniell  
Pat Graham  
Kelly Girtz  
Amrey Harden  
Eric Klerk  
Mike Renshaw  
Mark Saxon  
Harry Sims

**Alternates:**

Glenn Coleman  
Autron Hayes  
Joey Leslie

**Others:**

Burke Walker, NEGRC Executive Director  
Julie Ball, NEGRC Executive Assistant  
Alicia Page, NEGRC Comptroller  
Chip Ferguson, Atkinson Ferguson  
Al Sosebee, Jacobs Engineering  
Ron Bridgeman, Mainstreet Newspapers

### Call to Order and Approval of May Meeting Minutes

Chairperson Pat Graham called the meeting to order at 9:02 a.m. and asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the May 22, 2019 meeting.

**Action:** A motion to approve the minutes was made by Mark Saxon and seconded by Harry Sims. The motion passed unanimously.

### Financial Report

Alicia Page, NEGRC Comptroller, presented the financial report for the period ending June 30, 2019.

**Action:** A motion to approve the Financial Report as presented was made by Mark Saxon and seconded by Harry Sims. The motion passed unanimously.

### Operations and Management

The Bear Creek Dam, Reservoir and Water Treatment Facilities Operation and Maintenance Report was presented by Al Sosebee. No action was taken on this agenda item.

### **Nominating Committee Report**

The UOBWA Nominating Committee met before the meeting at 8:40 a.m. Chairperson of the Nominating Committee, Amrey Harden, reported that the Nominating Committee recommends Kelly Girtz to serve as the Secretary to the UOBWA.

**Action:** The recommendation of the Nominating Committee, made in the form of a motion by Amery Harden, to nominate Kelly Girtz to serve as Secretary of the UOBWA was made. The motion was seconded by Mark Saxon. The motion passed unanimously.

### **Operations and Management**

Chip Ferguson reported on the USGS Joint Funding Agreement. Ferguson noted several, minor corrections to the document's text and otherwise recommended its acceptance for signing.

**Action:** A motion to accept for signing was made by John Daniell. The motion was seconded by Harry Sims. The motion passed unanimously.

### **Executive Session**

There was no Executive Session needed.

### **Public Comment**

Cassidy Lord, an UGA Master's student and President of the Upper Oconee Watershed Network, distributed informational materials and provided a brief description of the group's activities, research, and upcoming educational event. Kelly Girtz commented in support of the event and encouraged members to attend. Chairperson Graham thanked Ms. Lord for her time and comments.

### **Other Business**

Chairperson Graham noted an updated UOBWA contact list was prepared by NEGRC staff with committee assignments identified. This list will be made available to members for their reference.

### **Adjournment**

With no further business, Chairperson Pat Graham adjourned the meeting at 9:22 a.m.

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Julie Ball  
NEGRC Executive Assistant

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Date of Approval