

Minutes
Wildlife Resources Committee
Lake Blackshear Resort Conference Center
Ballroom A
2459-H US Highway 280 West
Cordele, GA 31015

December 13, 2016

Attending:

Committee Members

Aaron McWhorter, Chairman
Brother Stewart, Vice Chairman
Dwight Davis
Dwight Evans
Mark Mobley
Philip Watt
Philip Wilheit
Dee Yancey
William A. Bagwell, Jr., Board Chairman, Ex-Officio

Board Members

Nancy Addison
Duncan Johnson, Jr.
Bill Jones
Ray Lambert
Matt Sawhill
Paul Shailendra
Bodine Sinyard
Miki Thomaston

Guests

Bryan Tolar, Georgia Agribusiness Council
Ronnie Just, Georgia Power
Bill Hodges, Hodges, Harbin, Newberry & Tribble
Mark Walker, Georgia Natural Resources Foundation
Mark Osterhaus, Coral Hospitality
Christopher Schaeffer, Coral Hospitality

Staff Members

Mark Williams
Walter Rabon
Artica Gaston
Kyle Pearson
Melanie Johnson
Wes Robinson
Cathy Barnette
Amber Carter
Dave Crass
Steve Friedman
Rusty Garrison
Col. Eddie Henderson
Becky Kelley
Spud Woodward
Bill Donohue
John Erbele
Jac Capp
Richard Dunn
Lauren Curry
Jeff Cown
John Bowers
Chuck Mueller
Bill Murphey
Josh Purdy, *Parks*
James Hamilton, *NGMA*

The December 13, 2016 meeting of the Wildlife Resources Committee was called to order by Chairman William Bagwell.

Chairman Bagwell called on Aaron McWhorter, Chairman of the Wildlife Resources Committee.

Mr. McWhorter called on John Bowers, Chief of Game Management of the Wildlife Resources Division, to present the proposed amendments to Hunting Regulations for Wildlife Management Areas (WMAs) and Other State Lands, Chapter 391-4-2-.70.

Mr. Bowers stated that he has one action item to bring before the Board today, concerning the Alapaha Creek WMA. He further stated that this is a newly acquired property consisting of 3,088 acres located in Wheeler County. He added that these regulations would add turkey hunting dates for 2017.

Mr. Bowers stated that he would return to the Board at the February meeting for consideration after a public comment period and public hearing was held.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.