

Minutes

Georgia Outdoor Stewardship Trust Fund Board of Trustees

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April 9, 2024

Attendees:

Board Members

Walter Rabon, Chairman

Bo Butler

Jeff Cown

Truitt Eavenson

Doug Haymans

Angie Johnson

Tim Lowrimore

Russell McMurry

Aaron McWhorter

Ted Will

Staff

Taylor Brown

Bethany Carnes

Soheila Naji

Trevor Santos

Guests

Stacy Blackmon, Attorney at law, Tisinger Vance, P.C.

Emily Camargo, Project Manager, Trust for Public Land

Michelle Morgan, chair of the Carroll County Board of Commissioners

Chairman Rabon called the meeting to order.

Chairman Rabon called for a motion to approve the minutes of the January 16, 2024, and March 12, 2024 Board of Trustees meetings.

A motion was made by Mr. Butler, seconded by Mr. McMurry, and carried unanimously that the Board approve the Minutes for the January 16, 2024, and March 12, 2024 Board of Trustees meetings.

Chairman Rabon gave opening remarks.

Chairman Rabon called on Michelle Morgan, chair of Carroll County Board of Commissioners, and Emily Camargo, Project Manager, Trust for Public Land to present the GOSP funded project.

Ms. Morgan and Ms. Camargo presented the Expansion of McIntosh Reserve project.

Chairman Rabon called on Soheila Naji, Georgia Outdoor Stewardship Program Coordinator, to present the program updates.

Mrs. Naji presented her report of the past funding cycles, and the 2023-2024 GOSP Second-level Application progress.

Mrs. Naji proposed an action item for the Board to approve the 2024-2025 funding cycle dates.

Chairman Rabon called for a motion to approve the Department's proposed 2024-2025 funding cycle dates.

A motion was made by Mr. McMurry, seconded by Mr. Lowrimore, and carried unanimously that the Board approve the 2024-2025 Funding Cycle Dates.

Mrs. Naji proposed an action item for the Board to vote on the State Parks and Historic Sites Division request for early acquisition of the Grizzard Tract at Black Rock Mountain State Park.

Chairman Rabon called for questions.

Chairman Rabon called for a motion to approve an early acquisition waiver for the Grizzard Tract at Black Rock Mountain State Park.

A motion was made by Mr. Cown, seconded by Mr. Eavenson, and carried unanimously that the Board approve an early acquisition waiver for the State Parks and Historic Sites Division for the Grizzard Tract at Black Rock Mountain State Park.

Chairman Rabon gave closing comments and there being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.