Minutes
Land Committee
Red Top Mountain Visitor Center
50 Lodge Road, SE
Acworth, GA  30102

September 28, 2021
9:00 a.m.

Attendees:

**Committee Members**
Dwight Evans, Chair  
Dwight Davis, Vice Chair  
William Bagwell  
Randy Dellinger  
Patrick Denney  
Bill Jones  
Rob Leebern  
Tim Lowe  
Billy New  
Bodine Sinyard  
Miki Thomaston  
Dee Yancey, Board Chair, Ex-officio

**Staff Members**
Mark Williams, Commissioner  
Walter Rabon  
Kyle Pearson  
Kate Iannuzzi  
Cathy Barnette  
Donald Kirkland  
Artica Gaston  
Thomas Barnard  
Jeff Cown  
Steve Friedman  
Doug Haymans  
Ted Will  
Taylor Brown

**Board Members**
Nancy Addison  
Nick Ayers  
Joe Hatfield  
Duncan Johnson  
Ray Lambert  
Paul Shailendra  
Gary Vowell  
Richard Dunn, Director  
John Eunice  
Jac Capp  
Karen Hays  
Chuck Mueller  
Laura Williams
The September 28, 2021 meeting of the Land Committee was called to order by Dee Yancey, Chairman of the Board of Natural Resources.

Chairman Yancey called on Dwight Evans, Chairman of the Land Committee. Mr. Evans called on Steve Friedman, Chief of Real Estate.

Mr. Friedman stated the first item is the renewal of a Twenty-Five (25) Year Lease with the Department of Transportation (GDOT) of 1.6± acres, Hofwyl-Broadfield Plantation Historic Site, Glynn County. He further stated the Department first entered into this lease with the GDOT in December 1996, and the 1.6 acres has a parking lot and trail head on it and will be renewed at no cost.

A motion was made by Mr. Dellinger, seconded by Mr. Jones, and carried unanimously that the Committee recommend the Board adopt the Resolution to authorize the Commissioner to seek State Properties Commission approval of the Renewal of a Twenty-Five (25) Year Lease with the Department of Transportation (GDOT) of 1.6± acres, Hofwyl-Broadfield Plantation Historic Site, Glynn County.

Mr. Friedman stated the second item is requesting approval to enter into an agreement with Echols County to lease the 2.2± acres, Echols County Boat Ramp. He further stated the Department has operated a boat ramp at this location since the mid-1990s and will renew the lease at no cost for a twenty-five (25) year term. He added the County will provide general maintenance at no cost to the Department. He further added the Wildlife Resources Division (WRD) will continue to operate the boat ramp and parking area and perform any structural and maintenance repairs, as needed. He stated that no renovations are currently planned.

A motion was made by Mr. New, seconded by Mr. Bagwell, and carried unanimously that the Committee recommend the Board adopt the Resolution to authorize the Commissioner to seek State Properties Commission approval to enter into an agreement with Echols County to lease the 2.2± acres, Echols County Boat Ramp.

Mr. Friedman stated the third item is requesting a Revocable License Agreement (RLA) and Permanent Easement (PE) be granted to Greystone Power Corporation at Sheffield Forest WMA, in Paulding County. He further stated that Greystone Power Corporation has requested a RLA and PE of up to 1,500 feet to install buried underground power lines to a residence that can only be accessed through the WMA. He added the area is not Heritage Preserve dedicated, therefore a change of use is not necessary. He further added that providing buried underground power lines requires a RLA be issued by the State Properties Commission (SPC) and a PE be
granted by the General Assembly (GA). He stated that since the power lines has no benefit to the Department, SPC will determine a cost for this request.

A motion was made by Mr. Davis, seconded by Mr. Dellinger, and carried unanimously that the Committee recommend the Board adopt the Resolution to authorize the Commissioner to seek State Properties Commission approval of the Granting of a Revocable License Agreement (RLA) and Permanent Easement (PE) of up to 1,500 feet by the State Properties Commission and General Assembly to Greystone Power Corporation at Sheffield Forest WMA, in Paulding County.

Mr. Evans stated that Item D, regarding the demolition of a barn located on Clybel WMA, in Jasper County, was approved by the Land Committee on August 24, 2021, so no action was required from the committee.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.