Chatham County Environmental Review Board Meeting April 16, 2009

Meeting Minutes

Meeting called to order at 6:47 p.m.

ERB members present: Martha Girolami, Catherine Bollinger, Tara Allden, Mike Dunn, Sonny Keisler and Elaine Chiosso (Chair)

Staff present: Fred Royal, Environmental Resources Director, Wendy Paschal, Administrative Assistant

Also present: Commissioner George Lucier and Bill Sommers.

Approval of Meeting Minutes

Catherine Bollinger moved to approve minutes from previous meeting; seconded by Martha Girolami; vote unanimous.

Public Input

Mr. Sommers commended the ERB for their efforts.

Staff Report

Fred Royal read over his recommendations to the BOC for comments on the US ACE EIS for the Western Wake WWTP. The ERB endorsed his comments and thanked him for his work on this.

Climate Change

Dr. William Schlesinger joined the meeting via telephone and talked with the ERB concerning climate change as it relates to local impacts, preparedness and mitigation. (please see attached notes from this discussion submitted by Elaine Chiosso)

EA Reviews

Catherine Bollinger recommended and made a motion that the ERB endorse the Cooper Subdivision Environmental Assessment as written. Seconded by Martha Girolami. Vote unanimous.

After reading the McGill & Associates Parks and Rec. Master Plan, Catherine Bollinger voiced concerns with what they had written regarding the responsibilities of the Recreation Advisory Board.

Tara Allden recommended that Catherine put together a document listing the concerns and send to the Board for comments and send it to McGill and the POG group. Seconded by Elaine. Vote unanimous.

Request for Nominations

Elaine asked members to think about nominations for chair and the need for new members.

Adjournment

Tara Allden moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:27 p.m. seconded by Catherine Bollinger. The vote was unanimous.

Next meeting is scheduled for May 21, 2009 at 6:30 p.m. at the Dunlap Building classroom.