



Utility Committee Meeting

AGENDA

September 2, 2014

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. MATTERS BEFORE COMMITTEE

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 [Reservoir Management Plan](#)

WATER, LIGHT & GAS COMMISSION

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS:

The State of Georgia requires that local instrumentalities owning small water supply reservoirs adopt Reservoir Management Plans, as described in the Georgia Department of Natural Resources, Environmental Protection Division Rules; and

WHEREAS:

The City of Monroe, Georgia, through the Monroe Water, Light & Gas Commission d/b/a Monroe Utilities Network (MWLGC) wishes to ensure that the John T. Briscoe, Jr., Reservoir (Reservoir) is used solely for municipal raw water storage and intake; and

WHEREAS:

Public access to the Reservoir needs to be restricted to adjacent landowners for the protection of water quality in the reservoir; now, therefore:

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the MWLGC that the following John T. Briscoe, Jr., Reservoir Management Plan (Plan) is hereby adopted. The effective date of this Resolution shall be January 1, 2003. This resolution shall remain in effect until such time as it is repealed or superseded by a subsequent Plan. This resolution supercedes the February 15, 1995 John T. Briscoe, Jr., Reservoir Management Plan Resolution.

Definitions

A. *Buffer* means a natural or enhanced vegetated area with no or limited minor land disturbances, such as trails and picnic areas.

B. *Impervious Surface* means a man-made structure or surface that prevents the infiltration of storm water into the ground below the structure or surface. Examples include buildings, roads, driveways, parking lots, decks, swimming pools, or patios.

C. *Reservoir Boundary* means the edge of a water supply reservoir defined by its normal pool elevation. The reservoir boundary of the expanded reservoir shall be at approximately elevation 764 NGVD (National Geodetic Vertical Datum).

D. *Reservoir* means all of the water supply reservoir, plus adjacent lands owned by the MWLGC.

E. *Utility* means public or private water or sewer piping systems, water or sewer pumping stations, electric power lines, fuel facilities, telephone lines, roads, driveways, bridges, lake access facilities, stormwater systems, railroads and other utilities identified by the MWLGC.

F. *Adjacent Landowner* means property owners whose lands are contiguous to land owned by the MWLGC.

Prohibitions

As required in the State Criteria for Water Supply Watersheds, both the general public and adjacent landowners to the Reservoir shall be prohibited from the following on property within the Reservoir Boundary:

- Possession or consumption of alcohol or illegal drugs
- Possession of firearms, ammunition, archery equipment, or explosives
- Operation of audio and/or noise-producing devices that unreasonably annoy or endanger others
- Soliciting
- Glass Containers
- Littering or dumping
- Boats with gasoline-powered motors
- Boats longer than 16 feet in length
- Cleaning boats with soap or solvents
- Unregistered boats, or boats without Personal Floatation Devices
- Unlicensed vehicles or drivers
- Trail bikes, minibikes, go-karts, and motorcycles not equipped for street use
- Discharge of any pollutant
- Destruction, removal, injury, or defacing MWLGC property
- Withdrawal of water

- Fishing or swimming, except of adjacent owners, from roads, banks, dams, or boats. Adjacent owners must obtain a fishing and access permit from MWLGC. Adjacent owners cannot fish except from boats and points directly adjacent to their property and only four persons shall be in a boat.

Buffer Restrictions

As described in the Walton County Watershed Protection ordinance, there shall be a Reservoir buffer zone around the entire Reservoir boundary. The buffer distance around the Reservoir shall be one hundred fifty feet horizontally from the Reservoir boundary. Buffer areas may also include maintained turf areas in portions of the Reservoir boundary that are currently cleared of trees and shrubs. However, adjacent landowners are encouraged to maintain buffer vegetation without the use of chemical fertilizers or pesticides of any type. There shall be no vegetable or flower gardens in the buffer area. Landowners may cut natural grass but must not cut lower than 4 inches.

Where buffer areas are also wetlands, adjacent landowners must obtain concurrence for any land-disturbing activity from the MWLGC and obtain the proper permit from the US Army Corps of Engineers under Section 404 of the Clean Water Act prior to the initiation of such activities. In areas designated as wetland restoration and/or preservation areas by the Corps, no disturbance will generally be permitted.

Identification

Persons entering the MWLGC property of the reservoir boundary shall be required to show proper identification and original permit (no copies) to Walton County Sheriff's Officers, City or MWLGC employees charged with monitoring use of property and enforcement of this Resolution. Walton County Sheriff's Officers may ticket, cite, or arrest any unauthorized persons for illegal use of Reservoir with trespass or other violations of State law.

Access Permits

Landowners adjacent to the Reservoir may obtain access permits to the Reservoir from the MWLGC, provided that the following evaluation criteria are met.

- Erosion and sediment control measures planned for any new development adjacent and tributary to the Reservoir must be certified adequate by a registered professional engineer, landscape architect or surveyor.
- Septic tanks installed in Reservoir tributary areas outside buffers must meet all State and local standards for installation.

- A maximum development of one housing unit per two (2) acres will apply to all residential structures and subdivision developments adjacent to the Reservoir.
- No commercial use of property adjacent to the Reservoir will be permitted, except for home occupations.
- Adjacent landowners will have access to the Reservoir only at points of direct adjacency. No access will be allowed from public roads adjacent to Reservoir (Double Springs Road).
- Adjacent landowners shall receive one permit only which shall not be copied or duplicated. Only landowners, which shall include immediate family members, shall be allowed access to use of the Reservoir. Landowners and their immediate family members must have the original access permit on their person when accessing or using the Reservoir.
- No docks, decks or boat moors will be permitted on land adjacent to the Reservoir. Existing docks, as of February 14, 1995, will be allowed. Improvement to existing dock will be approved by MWLGC.
- Any use, maintenance, construction and access to Reservoir property through the use of boat ramps (which shall be gravel only) across buffer or the reservoir boundary by adjacent landowners shall be by written permit and approval from General Manager of MWLGC. All boats shall be removed from Reservoir property and buffer after each use. No storage on Reservoir or buffer allowed.
- Adjacent landowners who may obtain an access permit to Reservoir property must own property that actually touches the Reservoir. No Property Owners Association may grant access to Reservoir through a common access point on the Reservoir.
- Any subdivision of land after January 1, 2002 must have at least two (2) acres of property and 150 feet of Reservoir frontage to obtain a permit to access the Reservoir. All tracts or parcels of land that were recorded of record in the Clerk's Office of the Walton County Superior Court prior to January 1, 2002 may be granted an access permit as set forth herein except any subdivision of said tracts after January 1, 2002 have to meet the two (2) acres minimum and 150 foot reservoir frontage to obtain an access permit.


In addition, the Mayor and Council of the City of Monroe and MWLGC may approve an access permit to the Reservoir at its discretion. Noncompliance with the above guidelines may lead to revocation of a landowner's access permit. MWLGC will issue landowners in noncompliance with the guidelines a notice describing the noncomplying actions. Such Notice of Noncompliance will request that the landowner immediately cease and desist in such actions, and request that the

landowner take corrective actions as appropriate. The landowner will have thirty (30) days to comply with the cease and desist request, and to contact MWLGC for a hearing. If the landowner fails to take appropriate corrective actions or does not respond within thirty (30) days of receipt of the Notice of Noncompliance, the MWLGC Board of Commissioners may revoke the landowner's access permit.

Expulsion

The MWLGC, acting in concert with the City of Monroe, reserves the right to expel persons engaged in unlawful, dangerous or disruptive activities on the Reservoir property. In addition, other legal remedies may be sought against such persons.

APPROVED and ADOPTED by the Commission this the 10th day of December 2002.



Nathan Little


Nathan Little, Chairman
Water Light & Gas Commission

[Official Seal]

Deborah M. Kirk

Deborah M. Kirk, Clerk
Water Light & Gas Commission

APPROVED and ADOPTED by the City of Monroe this the 7th day of January, 2003.



Harry Knight

Harry Knight, Mayor
City of Monroe

[Official Seal]

Julian L. Jackson

Julian L. Jackson, City Administrator & Acting City Clerk
City of Monroe



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[Reconductor Info](#)

Beverly Harrison

From: Brian Thompson
Sent: Thursday, August 28, 2014 12:40 PM
To: Beverly Harrison
Subject: <no subject>
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Approval

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Will use multiple suppliers and contractors.