# SUWANNEE COUNTY CONSERVATION DISTRICT

## BOARD MEETING MINUTES

January 16, 2025

Approved in the SCCD Board of Supervisors Meeting held on February 20, 2025 with a motion by James Williams and a second by Terry Reagan.

The Suwannee County Conservation District Board of Supervisors held their regularly scheduled meeting Thursday January 16, 2025 at The USDA Service Center located at 1525-B Ohio Avenue South in Live Oak, FL 32064. Supervisors attending were Andy Jackson, Chairman; James Williams, Secretary/Treasurer; and Larry Sessions, Supervisor. Also attending were Garrett McCray, SCCD Programs Administrator; Joni Sapp, SCCD Administrative Assistant; John Garrison, SCCD Conservation Technician; Alton Goff, SCCD Conservation Technician; Joel Love, UF/IFAS BMP Education Coordinator; and Pedro Faria(Guest).

Chairman, Andy Jackson, called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

The Minutes of the previous meeting held December 19, 2024 were reviewed. James Williams made a motion to approve the minutes, and there was a second by Larry Sessions.

The Financial Reports were reviewed. Larry Sessions made a motion to approve those reports, and there was a second by James Williams.

Garrett McCray, SCCD Administrator, discussed our current cost-share contracts. For BMP Tools Cost Share, we have approximately $924,000 obligated with 11 CSA’s. RESTORE Energy has approximately $820,000 obligated. RESTORE BMP has approximately $418,000 obligated.

Joel Love, UF/IFAS BMP Education Coordinator, reminded everyone of the upcoming Soil Health Field Day at the Research Center on February 13, 2025. The SCCD staff will be attending with a sponsorship table.

OLD BUSINESS:

N/A

NEW BUSINESS:

The 2025 Land Judging competition was discussed. The Board agreed to move forward with planning.

The ordinary bills from Verizon Wireless and Jim Hinton Oil were presented for payment. James Williams made a motion to pay the bills, and there was a second by Larry Sessions.

The next District Meeting will be held Thursday February 20. 2025.

OTHER BUSINESS:

The board discussed relaunching the Conservation Farm Family of the Year, along with the County Commissioners’ Appreciation Luncheon and Annual Report. This will be further discussed at future meetings.

Karen Hancock’s Retirement celebration will be held on January 17, 2025 and The Board agreed on a retirement gift of a $100 Amazon gift card.

WC Hart’s Retirement Luncheon will be held at the UF/IFAS Research Center on January 30, 2025 and The Board agreed to expend a maximum of $1000 for catering and his gift.

There being no further business presented, James Williams made a motion to have the meeting adjourned, there was a second by Larry Sessions, and Andy Jackson adjourned the meeting.