

SUWANNEE COUNTY CONSERVATION DISTRICT MEETING MINUTES

August 15, 2024

The Suwannee County Conservation District Board of Supervisors held their regularly scheduled meeting Thursday August 15, 2024 at The USDA Service Center located at 1525-B Ohio Avenue South in Live Oak. Supervisors attending were Andy Jackson, Chairman; James Williams, Secretary/Treasurer; and Terry Reagan, Supervisor. Also attending were Garrett McCray, SCCD Programs Administrator; Joni Sapp, SCCD Administrative Assistant; John Garrison, SCCD Conservation Technician; Aalia McClendon, NRCS District Conservationist; Joel Love, UF/IFAS BMP Education Coordinator; Shivendra Kumar, UF/IFAS Agronomic Crops RSA; Sudeep Sidhu, UF/IFAS Agronomist; Gabrielle Comitre, UF/IFAS Graduate Research Assistant; and Pedro Faria (Guest).

Chairman, Andy Jackson, called the meeting to order at 7:06pm.

The Minutes of the previous meeting held July 18, 2024 were reviewed. James Williams made a motion to approve the minutes, and there was a second by Terry Reagan.

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

Garrett McCray, SCCD Administrator, discussed our current cost-share contracts. Fiscal year 2024-2025 for BMP Tools is currently on hold per FDACS. RESTORE Energy has approximately \$820,000 obligated, and The SCCD has received the \$150,000 advance per the amended contract. RESTORE BMP has approximately \$418,000 obligated.

Aalia McClendon, NRCS District Conservationist, stated that they have completed FY24 applications and contracts and are moving forward with FY25. The NACD Technical Assistance Grant RFP (Request for Proposal) was discussed. Aalia and The SCCD Board approved moving forward with the application which is to be submitted by September 30, 2024.

OLD BUSINESS:

N/A

NEW BUSINESS:

The interview of Alton Goff to fill the vacant Technician position was held on August 15, 2024. The Board along with FDACS agreed to hire him with an annual salary of \$45,000. James Williams made a motion to approve the hire, and there was a second by Terry Reagan.

The completed OPPAGA Report was discussed, along with the changes needing to be made and plans to carry out those changes.

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 Terry Reagan.

The next District Meeting will be held Thursday September 19, 2024.

OTHER BUSINESS:

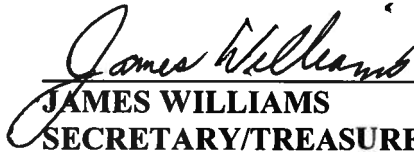
N/A

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

Approved in the SCCD Board of Supervisors Meeting held on September 19, 2024



**ANDY JACKSON
CHAIRMAN**



**JAMES WILLIAMS
SECRETARY/TREASURER**