

SUWANNEE COUNTY CONSERVATION DISTRICT MEETING MINUTES

March 21, 2024

The Suwannee County Conservation District Board of Supervisors held their regularly scheduled meeting Thursday, March 21, 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; Terry Reagan, Supervisor; and Larry Sessions, Supervisor. Also attending were Joni Sapp, SCCD Administrative Assistant; Garrett McCray, SCCD Programs Administrator; John Garrison, SCCD Conservation Technician; Joel Love, UF/IFAS BMP Education Coordinator; Naila McCraney, NRCS Soil Conservationist; Sukhveer Bhullar, UF/IFAS PhD Student; Shivendra Kumar, UF/IFAS Agronomic Crops RSA; Sudeep Sidhu, UF/IFAS Agronomist; and Jay Capasso, UF/IFAS Regional Specialized Agent.

Chairman, Andy Jackson, called the meeting to order at 7:07pm.

The Minutes of the previous meeting held February 22, 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. Terry Reagan made a motion to approve those reports, and there was a second by Larry Sessions.

Garrett McCray, SCCD Administrator, discussed our current cost-share contracts. For BMP Tools, we have approximately \$1,620,000 obligated with (27) CSA's, and have \$69,775 remaining to be obligated. RESTORE Energy has approximately \$805,000 obligated and RESTORE BMP has approximately \$418,000 obligated.

OLD BUSINESS:

N/A

NEW BUSINESS:

SCCD Scholarships were discussed, and The Board decided on an application deadline of April 12, 2024.

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

The next District Meeting will be held Wednesday April 17, 2024 along with the NRCS Local Working Group Meeting at the UF/IFAS Research Center.


OTHER BUSINESS:

The Annual Donations/Sponsorships were discussed and agreed upon as follows:

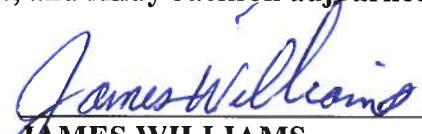
- Suwannee High FFA - \$100.00
- Suwannee Middle FFA - \$100.00
- Branford High/Middle FFA - \$200.00
- 4H/Suwannee County Extension - \$100.00
- Farm Bureau/CARES - \$250.00

Shivendra Kumar, Sudeep Sidhu, and Joel Love with UF/IFAS NFREC-Suwannee Valley Research Center presented a proposal for a Variety Specific Nitrogen Rate Recommendation Corn Trial requesting funding in the amount of \$10,089 to carry out the project. The Board agreed and gave permission to move forward with that trial.

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.



ANDY JACKSON
CHAIRMAN



JAMES WILLIAMS
SECRETARY/TREASURER