

SUWANNEE COUNTY CONSERVATION DISTRICT MEETING MINUTES

January 10, 2024

The Suwannee County Conservation District Board of Supervisors held a special meeting Wednesday, January 10, 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 Staff Assistant; Garrett McCray, SCCD Administrator; and John Garrison, SCCD Conservation Technician.

Chairman, Andy Jackson, called the meeting to order at 10:02am.

NEW BUSINESS:

House Bill 1075 and Senate Bill 1772 was discussed. The Board agreed upon the following amendment proposals:

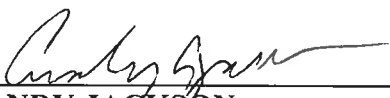
❖ **Pages 3-5, Lines 51-105, Section 1:**

HB1075 states “The following soil and water conservation districts are dissolved, and all assets and liabilities of each district are transferred to Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services...”:

- **Do not dissolve ALL Districts and do not return ALL assets to FDACS:**
 - **Creates interruption in services to producers, employment, and partnerships**
- **Retain Districts who:**
 - **Pay all associated dues and fees**
 - **Currently receive contract funding**
 - **Have an active Board**
- **Allow those active Districts to:**
 - **Retain their assets to continue services with no interruption/harm to the producers, employees, community, and partnerships**
 - **Absorb neighboring inactive Districts along with their assets (if any)**

OTHER BUSINESS:

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



ANDY JACKSON
CHAIRMAN



JAMES WILLIAMS
SECRETARY/TREASURER