## SUWANNEE COUNTY CONSERVATION DISTRICT MEETING MINUTES

October 19, 2023

The Suwannee County Conservation District Board of Supervisors held their regularly scheduled meeting Thursday, October 19, 2023 at The USDA Service Center located at 1525-B Ohio Avenue South in Live Oak. Supervisors attending were Andy Jackson, Chairman; Ronnie Lawson, Vice Chairman; James Williams, Secretary/Treasurer; and Larry Sessions, Supervisor. Also attending were Joni Sapp, SCCD Staff Assistant; Garrett McCray, SCCD Administrator; John Garrison, SCCD Conservation Technician; Federico Morales. SCCD Conservation Technician; Joel Love, UF/IFAS BMP Education Coordinator; and Shivendra Kumar, UF/IFAS Agronomic Crops RSA.

Chairman, Andy Jackson, called the meeting to order at 6:57p.m.

The Minutes of the previous meeting held September 21, 2023 were reviewed. James Williams made a motion to approve the minutes, and there was a second by Larry Sessions.

The Financial Reports were reviewed. James Williams 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 (11) CSA's totaling \$370,948. RESTORE BMP has \$866,000 remaining to be obligated and RESTORE Energy has \$363,000 remaining.

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

N/A

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

The Annual Dues and Fees were discussed and approved as follows:

Florida Department of Economic Opportunity - \$175.00

National Association of Conservation Districts - \$775.00

Association of Florida Conservation Districts - \$500.00(\$350-Dues/\$150-Ellis Putnal Donation) James Williams made a motion to approve the above annual dues and fees, and there was a second by Larry Sessions.

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

The next District Meeting will be held Thursday November 16, 2023.

## **OTHER BUSINESS:**

The possible investment opportunity of the FDIC insured Certificates of Deposit(CD) with Edward Jones was discussed. The Board agreed on the following:

3 Months - \$100,000 - 5.35% 6 Months - \$100,000 - 5.40% 1 Year - \$100,000 - 5.45%

James Williams made a motion to approve the above investment, and there was a second by Larry Sessions.

The Annual Christmas Dinner was discussed, and The Board agreed to have it along with the regular December Board Meeting on December 12, 2023 at the residence of Mr. James Williams.

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

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**CHAIRMAN** 

AMES WILLIAMS

SECRETARY/TREASURER