

PUTNAM SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

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Regular Board Meeting Minutes

Date: January 15, 2015

Present: Theo Siehler, Chairman

Robert Revels, Chairman Albert Stoddard, Supervisor Doug Duran, Supervisor Jody Lee, FDACS George Johnson, NRCS Gina Allen, Secretary

Meeting called to order at 8:35 a.m.

Minutes from the previous meeting were approved.

Bank balance as of 11/30/14 - \$4,451.16

OLD BUSINESS:

Special District dues and Annual Tax Return previously paid due to deadlines.

NEW BUSINESS:

Election of officers was the first item discussed under new business. Revels made a motion to keep the same officers as last year. Stoddard seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Revels to approve \$250.00 for NACD dues. Stoddard seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Land judging contest was discussed. A tentative date for Thursday, February 26th was set for the contest. Scott Crosby will be contacted to confirm the Welaka State Forest site is available. Stoddard will contact FFA leaders to recruit teams for the contest.

A tentative date for Thursday, April 16th was set for the annual speech contest. The auditorium will not be available so it will be held in the conference room. This year's topic is "Local Heroes, Your Hardworking Pollinators".

Conservation tray contest was discussed. Waiting to hear from Summer Tillmon if there are any teachers and students interested in competing in the contest. A deadline has been set for entering the contest.

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OPEN FLOOR:

Lee reported on cost share programs offered by the St. Johns River Water Management District. Cost share programs will supply funding for cross fencing, retro fits for citrus and tail water recovery ponds.

DC-REPORT - GEORGE JOHNSON:

Currently have one 2014 & two EQIP applications

Application has been ranked and approximately \$7,600 is being requested.

EQIP funding is over, application will be deferred

There are 3 active EQIP contracts.

Checkouts for firebreaks, prescribed grazing, legume planting, well, pump, pipeline and water troughs have been completed on 2 farms

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ADJOURNMENT:

There was no further discussion, meeting adjourned at 9:00 a.m. The next regular board meeting will be held on February 26, 2015 (Tentative date for Land Judging Contest in Welaka State Forest).