

PUTNAM SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

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Regular Board Meeting Minutes

Date: November 15, 2018

Present: Theo Siehler, Chairman

Steve Singleton, Supervisor Doug Doran, Supervisor Jody Lee, FDACS Lakeisha Barber, NRCS Lisl Hinrichs, Guest Todd Crowley, Guest Gina Allen, Secretary

Meeting called to order at 8:35 a.m. Minutes from the previous meeting were approved. Bank balance as of 10-31-18 - \$54,008.71

Old Business:

Appointment of seat 3 was the first item for discussion under old business. Doran made a motion to appoint Lisl Hinrichs to fill seat 3. Singleton seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Barber gave a brief update of the events of the recently attended AFCD meeting held in Ocala. AFCD provided training for supervisors. Awards were given. More SWCD Supervisors need to attend meetings. President from the National Association of Conservation Districts attended the meeting.

ACH direct deposit payments have been set up at Center State Bank to process payments to producers for the FDACS cost-share program.

Bank card signature for the District account at Center State Bank needed to be filled out by Newbold. Siehler reported the paper work is in progress and waiting for Newbold's signature.

New Business:

Online purchases were the first item for discussion under new business. Siehler suggest purchasing a prepaid credit card for online purchases. Siehler will contact the bank in Crescent City. The Board approved unanimously to purchase a pre-paid credit card not to exceed the amount of \$500.00.

District annual dues was the next item for discussion. Doran made a motion to pay \$100.00 to the Association of Florida Conservation Districts. Hinrichs seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. A motion was made by Doran to pay \$250.00 to the National Association of Conservation Districts. Hinrichs seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. The Board agreed unamously to pay the mandatory \$175.00 for the Special District dues.

District contests were discussed. Photo contest, Conservation Tray contest and Poster Contest will be the same as last year.

Lee gave a brief report on the FDACS Cost-Share program. \$380,952.47 allocated to producers for cost share through Putnam SWCD. This amount does not include administration fee.

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DC Report: LaKeisha R. Barber

See attached

Open Floor:

Todd Crowley gave a brief discussion on his ongoing farm to school project. He is working with a procurement with farmers. The program teaches students about seed to plate and working with school gardens. Siehler suggested the SWCD may be able to help with funding for garden boxes for the schools.

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ADJOURNMENT:

No further discussion. The meeting adjourned at 9:50. The next regular board meeting will be held on December 20, 2018.