



PUTNAM SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

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Regular Board Meeting Minutes

Date: November 19, 2015

Present: Theo Siehler, Chairman
Robert Revels, Supervisor
Doug Duran, Supervisor
Albert Stoddard, Supervisor
Jody Lee, FDACS
Lakeisha Barber, NRCS
Rex Ellis, Guest
Gina Allen, Secretary

Meeting called to order at 8:30 a.m.

Minutes from the previous meeting were approved.

Bank balance as of 11-1-15 - \$4,032.13

Old Business:

Lee gave an update of the statues of the FDACs cost share agreement contract. Contract is in process and will be sent to the SWCD office for approval and signature by the Board. FDACs will fund the SWCD 25% to get started. A ranking system might have to be set up to approve cost share participants. The SWCD is responsible for opening up a separate banking account for the startup funding. Siehler will open up separate account when funding is available. Checks will have to be ordered for the separate account. Siehler and Revels will be the signature card holders on the account. An audit may be required each year and will be including in the funding. FDACs plans to hire a Putnam County employee for technical services.

Rex Ellis gave a presentation on the State Land Judging Contest. A flow sheet for the contest was presented to each Supervisor for viewing. Ellis asked the Board is they would be interested in hosting the state contest in the future. Funding would be an issue for the Board do to a limited budget. Suwannee County is hosting the contest this year. The Board might consider hosting the contest in 2017.

Conservation Tray Contest was the next item for discussion. A motion was made by Revels to continue the contest and prize monies to remain as last years. Stoddard seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Conservation Poster Contest was discussed. Siehler suggested offering the contest to 4-H to see if the students would be interested. Prize monies would be \$15, \$10 & \$5 for each age group.

Revels made a suggestion to continue the public speaking contest for one more year. Participation has been an issue in the past.

Open Floor:

Lee gave an update to the revisions of Chapter 582 concerning District Boards. No dissolving of District Boards. Enhancing District powers and strengthening District's involvement in urban issues was some of the concerns addressed in the revisions.

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Lee discussed BMPs. FDACs plans to co-sponsor a workshop on BMP's annually. Producers keeping records and reporting on BMPs is the main concern.

ADJOURNMENT:

There was no further discussion, meeting adjourned at 10:15. The next regular board meeting will be held on January 21, 2016.