



## PUTNAM SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

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### Regular Board Meeting Minutes

**Date:** May 20, 2021  
**Present:** Theo Siehler, Chairman  
J. R. Newbold, Vice Chairman  
Larry Corn, Supervisor  
Wendy Mussoline, IFAS  
Yesmarie Chaparro-Feneque  
Ginger Feagle, FWC  
Micheal Laslie, Magro  
Ivan Gaeta, Vantage Southeast  
Gina Allen, Secretary

Meeting called to order at 8:40 a.m.  
Minutes from the previous meeting were approved.  
Bank balance as of 5/2/21 - \$81,700.99

Michael Laslie (MagGrow) and Ivan Gaeta (Vantage Southeast) gave a presentation on MagGrow sprayers. MagGrow is a spraying technology that helps growers by giving better coverage than conventional crop spraying systems by reducing spray drift up to 70%. Brochures were presented to the Board with data on several crops showing reduction in applications. Mussoline stated the importance of needing documentation on commodities applicable to our farming area. The sprayer can be rented for \$3,000.00 per crop season. It was decided by Board members to research information on the sprayer and table discussion to the next Board meeting.

#### Old Business:

Soil probes were the first item under old business. Newbold gave an update on the meeting held at Lars Hagstrom Fernery in Volusia County. Data from the soil probes was presented to the growers. Growers were satisfied with the results.

Drone project was next for discussion. Mussoline is organizing a summer camp for interested students. A check was presented and signed to Mussoline in the amount of \$3,500.00 to promote the summer camp.

#### New Business:

Putnam SWCD is now in Area 3.  
Annual Area 3 Meeting will be held on July 1, 2021. Clay SWCD is sponsoring this year.

A new contract with the FDACs cost share program has been signed by Allen for FY 21-22.

**DC Report:** See Written Report – Yesmarie Chaparro-Feneque

#### Open Floor:

A paygrade raise for District Secretary Allen was discussed under open floor. It was decided unanimously by the Board to raise Allen's paygrade to \$12:00 per hour. This paygrade raise will start in the next pay period.

No further discussion. The meeting adjourned at 9:50 a.m. The next regular board meeting will be held on June 17, 2021.

