



## PUTNAM SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

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### Regular Board Meeting Minutes

**Date:** August 21, 2025  
**Present:** Theo Siehler, Chairman  
Christy Largacci, Supervisor  
Jody Counts, Supervisor  
Larry Corn, Supervisor  
Joslyn Mingus, NRCS  
Drew Wike, FSA  
Sol Looker, FDACS  
Wendy Mussoline, IFAS  
Gina Allen, Secretary

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

Minutes from the previous meeting were approved.

Treasurer's report approved. Bank balance as of 7/31/25-\$182,825.65

### **Old Business:**

Bank Card Signature: Bank card signature needs to be changed.

### **New Business:**

Air Burner Biochar Machine Purchase Offer: Sunshine Organics & Compost has offered the machine for \$85,000.00. The Board agreed not to purchase the machine due to cost and distribution issues.

FDACS Contract #27689 closeout: Close out has been completed on contract #27689. Audit has been completed. Contract #32793 period will begin on 8/18/25 and end upon execution through June 20, 2028.

## **PSWCD Board Meeting**

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#### **Future District Projects & Sponsorships:**

Projects discussed:

Invention Scholarship: 3D Printers & Computers relating to Soil and Water Conservation.

River Cleanup Sponsorship: Project for next year.

Putnam Fair Sponsorship: Livestock & FFA Events

Lime Spreader Purchase: Not feasible due to Maintenance.

Grid Sampler Machine: Future Purchase

Mussoline suggested the PSWCD buy grid sampler machine and partner with IFAS/UF. IFAS/UF is in the process of hiring a technician to help with projects. She stated that the technician could run and maintain the machine if the SWCD agreed to purchase the equipment. A 4-wheeler and trailer will need to be purchased to run the machine. Siehler suggested Mussoline and Looker research models and cost of the machines and report back to the Board.

Mingus informed the Board that Ag teachers at Palatka High School would be interested in coming up projects that the PSWCD could sponsor.

Mussoline presented a flyer on Private Well & Septic System Workshop scheduled for September 30, 2025. Largacci made a motion to sponsor the meal for the workshop. Corn seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

**DC Report:** Joslyn Mingus (See Report)

**Open Floor:**

There was no further discussion, the meeting adjourned at 9:50 a.m. The next regular board meeting is scheduled for September 18, 2025.