



## PUTNAM SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

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### Regular Board Meeting Minutes

**Date:** January 16, 2025  
**Present:** Theo Siehler, Chairman  
Christy Largacci, Supervisor  
Doug Doran, Supervisor  
Larry Corn, Supervisor  
Joslyn Mingus, NRCS  
Irmaury Serrano-Robes, NRCS  
Wendy Mussoline, IFAS  
Julio Perez, IFAS  
Gina Allen, Secretary

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

Minutes from the previous meeting were approved.

Treasurer's report approved. Bank balance as of 12-31-24 - \$134,240.06.

### **Old Business:**

**Tri County Ag Area Workshops:** Mussoline presented information on 3 planned workshops. March – Pasture, August-Cold Crops and December-Potatoes. Estimated budget - \$6,700. This includes lodging and mileage for the guest speakers, purchasing of 10 windmeters and 5 soil probes. Catering will be paid separately. Siehler suggested purchasing 30 windmeters and 30 soil probes. The budget would increase from \$6,700 to \$8,950. A motion was made by Doran to purchase additional windmeters and soil probes. Corn seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

**Equipment Purchase (IFAS):** Tabled discussion to next Board meeting.

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**Container Gardening Sponsorship:** Perez gave a brief presentation on the Container Gardening Project's success and plans to have another workshop in September.

**New Business:**

**Election of Officers (Vice Chairman):** A motion was made by Corn to elect Largacci as Vice Chairman of the Board. Doran seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

**Seat 4 Vacancy:** Corn made a motion to appoint Jody Counts to seat 4 on the Putnam Soil & Water Conservation District Board. Largacci seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously with a vote of 4.

**Bank Card:** Largacci made a motion to nominate Doran to replace Newbold on the Southstate Bank signature card. Corn seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

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

**Open Floor:** Corn led a discussion on what authority the Board had to resolve drainage and flooding issues. Discussion followed on drainage problems in the farming areas surrounding the Green Ways Bike Trail in East Palatka. Largacci suggested writing a letter of concern to State Representative, Judson Sapp. Mussoline suggested inviting Adele Mills (Ravine Gardens) and County Commissioner Josh Alexander to tour sites with Corn to discuss the flooding and drainage issues.

There was no further discussion the meeting adjourned at 9:40 a.m. The next regular board meeting is scheduled for February 20, 2025.