Osceola Soil & Water Conservation District



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MINUTES

DATE: Wednesday, March 1, 2023

TIME: 4:00 p.m. EDT

PLACE: UF IFAS Extension Office at Osceola Heritage Park, 1921 Kissimmee Valley Lane, Kissimmee Room 101 & Zoom with Meeting ID: 868 9004 9649 and Passcode: 764951

- 1. Call to Order and Roll Call
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance
- 3. Approval of December 21, 2022 and January 18, 2023 Meeting Minutes
- 4. Approval of Treasurer's Report
- 5. Conservationist's Report
- 6. Old Business
 - a) Supervisor role overview
 - b) Envirothon update
 - c) AFCD membership
 - d) OPPAGA Reviews
 - e) Ethics training requirements
 - f) activities for the year
- 7. New Business
- 8. Public Comment
- 9. Adjourn

Next Meeting:

Wednesday, March 22, 2023, 4:00 p.m. EDT

1. 4:08pm call to order, Supervisor Davis, Anderson, and Walker present 3. motion to approve December 21, 2022 and January 18, 2023 meeting minutes. Joel moves second Michelette, 3-0, Michelette approves 3-0 4. motion to approve Treasurer's report, Michelette motions, Joel seconds, approved 3-0

5. Conservationist's report – moving forward with emergency EQIP – 6 preapproved in Osceola, 5 were for fencelines, new fenceline install, one nursery with damage to seasonal high tunnels, haven't been able to work through Conservation Desktop program, should move forward tomorrow, have been working with classic EQIP, 7 Orange, 15 Osceola, new application period for Climate Smart program funded through inflation reduction act. Currently receiving EQIP and CSP program applications, another 24 days to receive those applications. Joel asks which practices covered by Climate Smart – Chuck lists the 15 practices which are covered. Appointments of roles Joel Davis as treasurer – put on bank account. Valerie asks for motion to write letter to put Joel on bank account. Passes 3-0. Chair appoints Michelette as Vice-Chair.

Chuck believes that Leu gardens is on for next year's Envirothon, Chuck starts sending letter requesting donations in August/September, Chuck will call Leu sooner than that.

AFCD membership, I will find out how much is it and enxt meeting we will join.

Joel asks if we previously had funding – technician isn't providing any assistance and is basically for. Secretary has retired. SWCD has provided assistance to NRCS for program implementation. \$100k Chuck estimates to get something up and running. Brevard has stormwater program – regulator tax on ag landowners to make them pay the tax. County funded. How often Mobile irrigation Lab used in Osceola? Rarely. Chuck says it's not requested. Few hundred acres of citrus left in Osceola. Discussion of status of citrus growing in the Southeast.

OPPAGA

Ethics – Form 1 filing sometime (July? - Michelette)

Future activities – ok with Hopkins Park, Mick Farm suggestions

New Business- Michelelette would like to know has anyone suggested getting involved in drinking water quality? Michelette is going to look into drinking water quality issues in Osceola.

Meeting is over 4:42pm