

***Osceola Soil & Water Conservation District***

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

**MINUTES**

**DATE:** April 20, 2022

**PRESENT:**  Chairperson Valerie Anderson, Vice-chairperson Matthew Kirk-Boggs, and Treasurer Dr. Deborah Livingston, on Zoom, and Secretary Larry Allen Schneck, Sr., in-person. No guests.

**ABSENT:** Supervisor Jackie Henry, Conservationist Mr. Chuck O’Rourke, and Subcommittee chairperson Mr. Andrew Jeng.

**Call to Order and Roll Call:**  Chair Anderson called the meeting to order at 4:17 p.m. EDT. She asked the Secretary to establish supervisors present with a voice roll call. Quorum verified.

* **Pledge of Allegiance:** Pledge of Allegiance led by Secretary Schneck.
* **Minutes:** March 16, 2022 Minutes approved by voice vote of 4-0. All official, approved meeting minutes posted on OSWCD Facebook page at [https://www.facebook.com/OSWCD/](https://www.facebook.com/OSWCD/" \t "_blank).
* **Treasurer’s Report:** Treasurer Dr. Livingston sent her report electronically to the Secretary for inclusion in the minutes. She emphasized that the recent deposits are for the use and support of Envirothon only. The following is her report:
* March 1 - March 31, 2022
* **OPERATING ACCOUNT (Business Checking):**
* **Beginning balance as of  3/1/2021                                            $975.25**
* **3/23     Funds credited to Account                                                      $**  39.84
* (Additional adjustments by bank/refunds)
* Debit (s)                                                                                             0.00
* 3/31       Ending Balance                                                                          $1,015.09
* ***RECENT ACCOUNT HISTORY***
* **DATE       SERVICE CHARGES                                                              BALANCE**
* **10/7/21 Analysis Charges/September     <-$19.90>                      $350.00 \***
* **11/1/21 Dormant Fee                                  <-$5.00>                        $345.00**
* **11/5/21  Analysis Charges/October          <-$19.91>                     $325.09**
* **12/1/21 Dormant Fee                                  <-$5.00>                        $320.09**
* **12/7/21  Analysis Charges/November     <-19.92>                        $300.17**
* **2022**
* **1/3/22  Dormant Fee                                  <-5.00>                         $295.17**
* **1/7/22  Analysis Charges/December      <-19.92>                         $275.25**
* **1/26/22  DEPOSIT                                         +700.00                         $975.25**
* **2/7/22  Analysis Charges/January           <-20.62>                         $954.63**
* **2/22/22 DEPOSIT/BANK REFUND                +20.62                           $975.25**

* **Disbursements                 <-$115.27>**
* **Bank Refund                       +20.62**

* **Ending Balance 3/16/2021                                                         $975.25**
* **ENVIROTHON ACCOUNT:  (CLOSED)**
* **Submitted by: Dr. Deborah Livingston, Treasurer**
* **OSWCD-Seat 5**
*         **NOTE: Type of account was changed when Central State Bank was bought by South State Bank. Analysis Charges and Dormant Fees were initiated by the new South State Bank account.  Account was returned to a non-fee type account in February, 2022.**
* **\*     NOTE #2: SouthState Bank refunded an additional $39.34 (Analysis Charges) to our OSWCD account (-...xxx9482)**

  Motion to accept and seconded. Motion passed 4-0.

* **Conservationist’s Report:** None.

**Old Business**

* **Victory Gardens:** Vice-chair Boggs is available to coordinate with staff at the site of the gardens project to begin composting and move the project forward. The Osceola County Center for Aging has agreed in the past to host the composting initiative.

**New Business**

* **Senate Bill (SB 1078):** Vice Boggs said he doesn’t want any funds from OSWCD to be transferred to the State at Tallahassee, in the event the Osceola Soil and Water Conservation District dissolves under the new law. The Board discussed whether any supervisor had reviewed SB 1078. Vice Boggs said the bill was initiated based on a personal vendetta between a State of Florida legislator and a Soil and Water supervisor from another district. It appears only Chair Anderson would have the credentials to hold a position on the OSWCD Board of Supervisors. Osceola County farmers and ranchers used to hold the current seats.
* **Split Oak Mitigation Forrest:** Florida Communities Trust approved lifting the protections for Split Oak and allow construction of a toll road through conservation area in Osceola County. Chair Anderson said a letter was drafted to send to the county commissioners in Orange and Osceola counties.

**Public Comment:** None

**Adjournment:** 4:45 p.m. EDT

*Next Meeting:*

Wednesday, May 18, 2022, 6:00 p.m. EDT at the Extension Services Office, Osceola Heritage Park, and online with Zoom.