

VOLUSIA SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

MEETING MINUTES

HELD 5:00 p.m. Wednesday January 13, 2021

Online Unrecorded Zoom Meeting

I. Call to Order: Pledge of Allegiance & Moment of Silence: Meeting was called to order by Chairman Andy Kelly, who chaired the first half of the meeting followed by new Chair Wendy Anderson.

II. Record of Attendance:

Supervisor Roll Call: Supervisors:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Andy Kelly | (Chair) | present |
| <input type="checkbox"/> William Bliss | (Secretary) | present (new Secretary) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Wendy Anderson | | present (new Chair) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> John Nelson | | present (new Vice Chair & Interim Treasurer) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Beth James | (Supervisor) | present |

Also in attendance:

- George Johnson, USDA/NRCS Conservationist;
- Adrianna Bertolami
- Peter Kouracous (Associate Supervisor & Chair Emeritus)

III. Approval of Minutes

- December 8, 2020 Minutes submitted
 - Discussion: To amend a typo in the names.
 - **Motion** to approve the corrected minutes:
 - Motion made by John, Seconded by William
 - Vote: Unanimous

IV. Calendar Updates

- None

V. Reports

- George Johnson, USDA/NRCS Conservationist Report
 - NRCS Report was read and submitted.
 - Garden Assistance Program was presented.
 - Annual Civil Rights and Non-discrimination policy was presented and approved.
- Treasurer's Report
 - Peter & Andy added Andy's signature to the signatories list for Wells Fargo.
 - No end of year financial report submitted.
 - Bank final: \$3,454.61, on 12-31-2020

VI. Correspondence:

- Well Fargo statement
- Thank you letter from the Flagler Habitat for Humanity for our assistance.

VII. Old Business:

1. Annual Civil Rights Training (George)
2. Garden Assistance Program (George)
 - a. George will send William a written description of the program which can be used to inform the public using the District's social media.

VIII. New Business:

1. Wendy reported the status of the city of Debarry's partnership with the Aquatic Preserve Alliance's request for \$1.3 Million in funding from the State's Florida Forever fund, to purchase 170 acres. No letter of recommendation is necessary at this time.
2. Discussion on the process by which a Supervisor may resign from the District.
3. Election of Officers
 - a. **Nomination of Wendy Anderson for Chair:**
 - i. Made by William, Seconded by Beth
 - ii. Vote: Unanimous
 - b. **Nomination of John Nelson for Vice Chair:**
 - i. Made by Wendy, Seconded by William
 - ii. Vote: Unanimous
 - c. **Nomination of William Bliss for Secretary:**
 - i. Made by John, Seconded by Wendy
 - ii. Vote: Unanimous
 - d. Andy declined the nomination for Treasurer:
 - i. Discussion on delaying this nomination until a replacement Supervisor has been found.
 - e. **Nomination of John Nelson for Interim Treasurer:**
 - i. Made by Wendy, Seconded by Andy
 - ii. Vote: Unanimous

IX. Supervisor and Guest Comments

- Short discussion on updating financials and records.
- Short discussion on in the future purchasing supplies for the Envirothon.
 - **Motion** to approve Peter's continued use of the bankcard for the sole purchase of Envirothon supplies
 - Made by William, Seconded by Wendy
 - Vote: Unanimous
- Discussion of adding point of sale capabilities to our website.

- East Central Regional Rail Trail: Information for future discussions
- Adriana recommended greater involvement with the school district.

X. Adjournment:

- Motion to adjourn and hold the next meeting on **February 10'th at 5:00 pm**,
Using an online Zoom based meeting at this link
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8049850206?pwd=c2JuOGloOWpCdWk4eEQrZDgvcmg5dz09>
Meeting ID: 804 985 0206
Password: SWCD
 - **Motion** made by Peter, seconded by
 - Vote: Motion passed unanimously

These Minutes prepared by Secretary, Wm Bliss,