

AGENDA FOR MONTHLY MEETING
VOLUSIA SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

5:00 p.m. Wednesday, August 11, 2021

University of Florida IFAS Extension Auditorium

3100 E. New York Avenue, DeLand, FL 32724

Also accessible via Zoom video conferencing at:

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Meeting ID: 804 985 0206 Password: SWCD

- I. Call to Order
- II. Supervisor Roll Call & Introduction of Staff and Guests
- III. Approval of Minutes from July 14, 2021 meeting
- IV. Announcements, Website Calendar of Events and other updates:
 - a. Reminder of events:
 - i. Ongoing Volusia County Environmental Management Division Webinar series on Low Impact Development
 - ii. AFCD Annual meeting in Daytona Beach on Sept. 9-10, 2021 at the Plaza Resort and Spa
 - iii. Participate in VCARD Local Government Icebreaker? September 30, 2021, 6-9pm Plaza Resort and Spa
- V. Reports:
 1. George Johnson U.S.D.A. N.R.C.S. District Conservation Agent
--Schedule Local Working Group meeting for October or November 2021
 2. Andy Kelly—Annual Financial Report and monthly Treasurer’s report
- VI. Correspondence:
 - a. mail, e-mail, phone
- VII. Old Business
 - a. Discuss SWCD role in ongoing dialogue with ECVF and VCARD
 - b. Discuss topics for webinars and forums—collaborations among VSWCD, Volusia County Env. Management Division, SJRWMD, UF, and Riverside Conservancy
 - i. webinars for HOA managers, board members and residents
 - ii. CUP renewal process
- VIII. Presentation by Jim Durocher on Florida Rights to Clean Water Petitions, with Q&A to follow
- IX. New Business
 - a. Discuss Request for Endorsement for Florida Rights to Clean Water Amendments; consider Resolution 2021-5 for Endorsement and petition support (please review <https://FL5.org> for more information before meeting)
 - b. Set agenda for next workshop and meeting
 - c. Additional topics for discussion
- X. Supervisor and Guest Comments
- XI. Adjournment

Motion/Resolution 1: Supporting Florida Rights to Clean Water Amendments

RESOLUTION 2021-5

A RESOLUTION OF THE VOLUSIA COUNTY SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT, FLORIDA, SUPPORTING THE FIVE AMENDMENTS TO THE STATE CONSTITUTION TO PROTECT FLORIDA'S WETLANDS, WATERWAYS, AND WILDLIFE

WHEREAS, the Volusia County Soil and Water Conservation District purpose is to provide assistance, guidance, and education to land owners, land occupiers, the natural resources of the County, including its soil and water; and the general public in implementing land and water resource protection practices; and

WHEREAS, the Florida Legislature charges the soil and water conservation districts to work in conjunction with federal, state, and local agencies in all matters that implement land and water resource protection practices; and

WHEREAS, The Volusia Soil and Water Conservation District has a stated goal of supporting sustainable development of Volusia County's communities; and

WHEREAS, The Volusia Soil and Water Conservation District has a stated goal of seeking ways to solve water quality issues;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE VOLUSIA COUNTY SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT, IN OPEN VIRTUAL MEETING DULY ASSEMBLED ON THIS 11th DAY OF AUGUST, 2021, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The above recitals are true and correct, and by this reference are hereby incorporated in and made an integral part of this Resolution.

SECTION 2. The Volusia County Soil and Water Conservation District hereby approves and adopts this resolution to fulfill our statutory right and obligation by:

1. Endorsing the effort to include FIVE Constitutional Amendment Proposals on the November 2022 Election Ballots associated with Florida citizens' Right to Clean Water and protection of our wetlands, waterways, and wildlife:
 - a. Right to Clean Water
 - b. Florida Iconic Species Protection
 - c. Florida Wetlands Protection
 - d. Florida Toll Road Expansion Ban
 - e. Florida Captive Wildlife Hunting Ban
2. Supporting the petition effort to gather signatures for ballot inclusion
3. Empowering any member of the Board to speak on behalf of the Board about the Board's endorsement in public hearings and in the media.

SECTION 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

DONE AND ORDERED IN OPEN MEETING.

Wendy Anderson, Chair,
Volusia County Soil and Water Conservation District Board of Supervisors

Date

Attest, George Johnson, District Conservationist,
USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service

Date

Resolution on the table, no motion to approve made in June 9, 2021 meeting; continued tabling at July 14, 2021 meeting; Review again at August 11, 2021 meeting

RESOLUTION 2021-2

A RESOLUTION OF THE VOLUSIA COUNTY SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT, FLORIDA, SUPPORTING CAREFUL PLANNING OF REDEVELOPMENT OF SUNNYVIEW PARCEL, A BROWNFIELD, TO PROTECT SOIL AND WATER RESOURCES IN DELAND AND FACILITATE SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

WHEREAS, the Volusia County Soil and Water Conservation District purpose is to provide assistance, guidance, and education to land owners, land occupiers, the natural resources of the County, including its soil and water; and the general public in implementing land and water resource protection practices; and

WHEREAS, the Florida Legislature charges the soil and water conservation districts to work in conjunction with federal, state, and local agencies in all matters that implement land and water resource protection practices; and

WHEREAS, the Florida Department of Environmental Protection, through the *Guidance for Disturbance and Use of Old Closed Landfills or Waste Disposal Areas in Florida* (2019) regulates the redevelopment of landfills to impacts on water quality and human health, and encourages caution be used when planning and implementing construction projects near old landfills to address unacceptable risks to human health and the environment; and

WHEREAS, the redevelopment of golf courses presents an opportunity for urban infill, brownfield rehabilitation, and economic development; and

WHEREAS, the City of DeLand City Commission has recognized the Florida Department of Environmental Protection designation of the Sunnyview parcel (a.k.a. the former Sandhill Golf Course) as a brownfield; and

WHEREAS, a current rezoning proposal for a Planned Urban Development is under consideration with the DeLand City Commission, which would add 861 residential units and a small commercial district to the 168 acres of the Sunnyview parcel; and

WHEREAS, it is the sense of the Volusia County Soil and Water Conservation District that the redevelopment of such a site could have impacts on the soil and water resources as well as the public health and safety of the DeLand community,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE VOLUSIA COUNTY SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT, IN OPEN VIRTUAL MEETING DULY ASSEMBLED ON THIS 9th DAY OF JUNE, 2021, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The above recitals are true and correct, and by this reference are hereby incorporated in and made an integral part of this Resolution.

SECTION 2. The Volusia County Soil and Water Conservation District hereby approves and adopts this resolution offering a third-party facilitated community visioning session to evaluate the highest and best use of the Sunnyview parcel in the urban core of DeLand. The Volusia County Soil and Water Conservation District also affirms that:

1. The Sunnyview parcel presents strategic opportunities for community distinctiveness and cohesion while protecting critical land and water resources.
2. The State of Florida Brownfields Redevelopment programs offer numerous opportunities for federal funding of sustainable redevelopment of contaminated sites.
3. Volusia County's ECHO program provides opportunities for cities in the County to invest in infrastructure that offers resident and visitor engagement in environmental, cultural, historic, and outdoor recreation activities.
4. Multiple opportunities have been presented for diverse uses of the site that would serve the entire community.
5. The Volusia Soil and Water Conservation District has a stated goal of supporting sustainable development of Volusia County's communities.

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Wendy Anderson, Chair,
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