

**Gilchrist Soil and Water Conservation District**

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**Monthly Meeting**  
**Gilchrist SWCD Office**  
729 East Wade Street  
Trenton, Florida 32693  
**Tuesday, January 16, 2023**  
**6:00 PM**  
**Minutes-**

The Gilchrist Soil & Water Conservation District (GSWCD) held a regularly scheduled monthly meeting on Tuesday, October 10, 2023 with the following Supervisors in attendance: Jeff Reed-Chairman, BJ Wilkerson-Co-Chair, Brett Crawford-Supervisor, Steven Borek-Supervisor, Ashley Cook-Gregory, Administrator, Dale Stone FDACS, Brittany O'Neal Technician, Tammy Hinkle- FDACS, Barton Wilder FDACS, Morgan Marrow- FDACS,

- I. Meeting called Order: Chairman Jeff Reed called the meeting to order at 6:04
- II. Approval of Minutes – approval of October Minutes Supervisor Wilkerson approved, seconded by Supervisor Borek, all approved
- III. Approval of Financials – Supervisor Wilkerson motioned to approve, seconded by Supervisor Borek, all approved

IV. Partner Reports

**FDACS** –

New field service director, Steven Smith- In person meeting on Thursday 1/ 18

**NRCS**-

No one present

**Suwannee River Water Management District**

No one present

V. Staff Reports-

1. District Staff Report-

Ethics Training  
OPPAGA Update

2. Conservation Technician Report

Technicians gave an update on new enrollments, Cost-Share, and IV

3. AFCD Executive Director

Katrina- gave a SE NACD Meeting update and asked for help from Gilchrist

VI. Old Business

No Old Business

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VII. New Business

1. Dues Paid

AFCD- \$350.00

NACD- \$775.00

FDEO- \$175.00

\*\*\* Florida Department Economic Opportunity

- Cook updated the board on dues that had been recently paid. No discussion.

2. Reports Submitted

Public Depositor Annual Report to Chief Financial Officer

Records Management Compliance Statement

- Cook updated the board on submitted reports. No discussion.

3. Technician Raises

Does the district want to cover until contract is signed/ contract is anticipated to be amended by the end of the month.

Raises start on the 12<sup>th</sup> not 11<sup>th</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup> is the last day of the pay period

- Supervisor Crawford recommended waiting until the contract had been amended and signed. Co-Chari Wilkerson seconded. Discussion followed. All approved.

4. Tires for Brittney's Truck – Santa Fe Ford

Quote Attached

Co-Chari Wilkerson motioned to move forward with seeking approval from the state. Supervisor Borek seconded. All approved.

5. Annual Stewardship Banquet

Tuesday, February 27<sup>th</sup> @ Otter Springs Lodge

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Cowboyz Confirmed as caterer  
- Meal for 75; prime rib, potatoes, green beans, Cesar salad, rolls)

Select Stewardship of the Year Award

- Co-Chair Wilkson motioned that we select Alliance Dairies and move forward with plans. Supervisor Crawford seconded. All approved.

6. GSWCD Sr Scholarship

- Item was discussed and tabled until next month.

7. Speech & Poster Contest

Host contest in the end of February

1<sup>st</sup>- \$250  
2<sup>nd</sup>- \$175  
3<sup>rd</sup> \$100

Past prizes also included a \$25 gift card to all participants.

- Item was discussed and tabled until next month.

8. NACD Regional Meeting

Hosted by Florida, Sunday, June 16<sup>th</sup> – Tuesday, 18<sup>th</sup>

\*Tours Tuesday, June 18<sup>th</sup> – Hart Springs

Katrina with AFCD gave more details on the meeting and what support they are seeking. Discussion followed. Supervisor Crawford motioned we move forward with helping. Supervisor Borek seconded. All approved.

9. HB1075 & SB1772

- Discussion regarding bills and the stance the board which to takes. Moving forward and monitoring action on both bills.

VIII.

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**DATES TO REMEMBER**

February 5<sup>th</sup>- Manure Lunch  
February 20<sup>th</sup> – GSWCD Board Meeting  
February 27<sup>th</sup>- Stewardship Banquet  
March 19<sup>th</sup>- GSWCD Board Meeting

IX. Announcements/Adjourn