

Franklin Soil and Water Conservation District

July 20, 2023

Members present: Mark Curenton, Walter Armistead, Alan Pierce, Krystal Hernandez, and Chuck Marks

Others present: Scott Williams and Cathy Davis

The meeting was called to order by Chuck Marks. The minutes of the May 18, 2023, meeting was reviewed, and a motion was made by Walter Armistead and seconded by Alan Pierce. Motion carried.

The Treasurer's report was given, and the current balance is \$4,714.23.

Scott Williams, acting District Conservationist gave an overview of the activity in the Blountstown Field Office. At this point, we have 19 approved contracts totaling \$1,252,694. The local fund for our office we have 5 contracts totaling \$292,627. This fund is based on the priorities set by the attendees at the Local Workgroup Group.

The Soil Conservationist position in the office should be readvertised at any time now and interviews will follow.

Financial Disclosures have all been completed.

Dredging has been completed. The dredging didn't go as planned, and another contractor is going to have to come in and correct the problem.

The Environmental Qualities Incentive Program (EQIP) sign up batching date will be announced in the fall. We do not have a set deadline, at this point.

The Association for Florida Conservation Districts (AFCD) annual meeting will be September 26th & 27th in Gainesville at the Hilton University Conference Center. The deadline for registration is August 25th. Funds are available to cover travel and lodging expenses for one District Supervisor per District to attend.

The next meeting is scheduled for November 16th. The meeting was adjourned.