



Broward Soil & Water Conservation District Board of Supervisors Meeting Minutes

Thursday, March 28, 2024

6:00 PM

Conference Room at State Farmer's Market, 1255 West Atlantic Boulevard, Pompano Beach, FL 33069

- I. Call to Order. Supervisors Noreen Abrams, Jessie Bastos, Bonny Hajducko, and Fred Segal are physically present. Meeting called to order by Supervisor Segal at 6:07 pm.

- II. Old Business
 - a. Community Outreach
 1. Discussion surrounding positive outcomes of BSWCD participation in recent outreach events, including the Town of Davie's Orange Blossom Festival on February 23-25, Unity in the Community in Pompano Beach on January 27, and Water Matters Day at Tree Tops Park on March 9.
 2. Suggestion made of participating in a beach cleanup program with Lauderdale-by-the-Sea in collaboration with former Supervisor Richard DeNapoli who is now serving as commissioner with the town.
 - b. Poster Contest. Supervisor Segal suggested advertising 2025's poster contest with various clubs within elementary, middle, and high schools including K-Kids, Builders Clubs, and Key Clubs.
 - c. Easements. Continued discussion of identifying properties that could be placed in conservation easements and potentially working with the Davie Area Land Trust which currently monitors four conservation easements.
 - d. Fundraising Dinner Outline. Alternatives to a future formal gala were discussed, including a barbeque to raise money for BSWCD initiatives.

- III. New Business
 - a. Updated Mission Statement Draft
 1. Supervisor Bastos drafted the following mission statement for adoption by the Broward Soil and Water Conservation District:

"The Broward Soil & Water Conservation District mission is to build stronger, healthier communities while conserving natural resources. This is accomplished through educating local homeowners and businesses on agricultural Best Management Practices, and championing environmental stewardship through direct community engagement."



Supervisor Abrams motioned to approve the mission statement as presented. Supervisor Hajducko seconded the motion. All were in favor and motion carried.

b. Election of Officers

1. Chair. Supervisor Abrams motioned to select Supervisor Segal as Chair, seconded by Supervisor Hajducko. All were in favor and motion carried.
2. Vice Chair. Supervisor Segal motioned to select Supervisor Bastos as Vice Chair, seconded by Supervisor Abrams. All were in favor and motion carried.
3. Treasurer. Supervisor Segal motioned to select Supervisor Hajducko as Treasurer, seconded by Supervisor Bastos. All were in favor and motion carried.
4. Secretary. Supervisor Segal motioned for Supervisor Bastos to continue as Secretary, seconded by Supervisor Hajducko. All were in favor and motion carried.

- c. Performance Reviews. Supervisor Segal discussed his recent meeting with Maulding & Jenkins, the firm in charge of OPPAGA Performance Reviews for all Florida Soil and Water Conservation Districts. In addition to a published Mission Statement we will need all available minutes and agendas prior to 2023 uploaded to our website by the end of April, look into Ethics Review trainings, and create a 5-year Strategic Plan.

IV. Member Comment

- a. Supervisor Segal advised the committee on the following upcoming meetings:

1. May 23, 2024- Area 4 Association of Florida Conservation Districts (AFCD) meeting from 8:30 am-1:30 pm, 4505 George Blvd. Sebring, FL 33875. Ethics trainings will be provided at no cost.
2. June 15-18, 2024- National Association of Conservation Districts (NACD) Southeast Regional meeting- 1714 SW 34th Street, Gainesville, FL 32607
3. November 1-2, 2024- Annual AFCD meeting, details TBD

- b. Supervisor Segal recommended adding a Resources tab to our website and including links to Best Management Practices manuals.

- c. Supervisor Bastos discussed concerns regarding lake and canal water quality and clarity based upon comments raised at Water Matters Day and the Orange Blossom Festival. A suggestion was made to reach out to the UF/IFAS extension office for further information.



V. Public Comment – None.

VI. Adjournment at 7:32 pm. Motion to adjourn by Supervisor Segal, seconded by Supervisor Abrams. Motion carried. The next meeting will be on Thursday, April 25, 2024 at 6:00 pm.