



**ESCAMBIA
SOIL AND WATER
CONSERVATION
DISTRICT**

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MINUTES
June 17, 2021**

Board Members in Attendance

Mrs. Betty Wilson, Chair; Mr. Zackery Gossett, Vice-Chair; Mrs. Anne Bennett, Treasurer;
Mr. Louis Toth, Secretary.

Attendees

Mr. Joshua McElhaney, District Conservationist-NRCS; Mr. Adam Parden, Division
Manager, Escambia County NRC, Mrs. Debbie Williams, Escambia county NRC.

Call to Order

Mrs. Betty Wilson called the meeting to order at 9:09am.

Introduction of guests.

Those present stated the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag in unison.

Mr. Josh McElhaney gave the Invocation.

Minutes of the Last Meeting

Mrs. Anne Bennett made a motion to accept the revised May 2021 minutes and the
Seconded by Mr. Louis Toth. Motion carried unopposed.

Acknowledgment of Public Notice

The meeting advertisement was noted.

Treasurer's Report

Mrs. Bennett, along with Mrs. Wilson, gave the treasurer report. Bank of the South has
mistakenly deducted the five-dollar service charge. Mrs. Wilson will contact the bank
regarding the issue.

Reports

Mr. Joshua McElhaney gave the District Conservationist report.
Field office is continuing to work on EQIP and CSP applications/contracts.

Mr. Adam Parden gave an update to the Natural Resources Conservation Division's
activities. The Division continues to assist citizens with environmental requests,
continue assistance to NRCS, and Ms. Cathy Hardin, County Forester has been invited to
the July Board meeting. Also working with vegetation management such as control
burns at Jones Swamp and the sports complex off Bauer Road. Assisting with a timber
sale at the Perdido Land Fill. County continues to monitor the possibility of a possible
storm in the Gulf. As of now, it is looking like six to eight inches of rain possible this
weekend.

New Business

Mrs. Bennett suggested the possibility of listing the information from the show she watched regarding AgrAbility. It is an USDA program about farming for the disabled. Mrs. Bennett also gave a copy a Farm Sanctuary brochure. The organization helps home animals, which no longer serve as farm animals.

Mr. Toth lead the discussion was held regarding possible grants to apply for such as food programs to the less fortunate. The Board was in favor for reviewing potential grants.

Old Business

Discussion was held regarding finding an appointment for the Board. The office will speak with someone regarding if they are interest or if they know of anyone. Mrs. Bennett suggested Ms. Jacqueline Rodgers since she may be stepping away from her current obligations.

With no further business coming before the Board, Mr. Toth made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Mrs. Bennett. The meeting adjourned at 10:05am.



Mr. Louis Toth, Secretary