



*ESCAMBIA  
SOIL AND WATER  
CONSERVATION  
DISTRICT*

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MINUTES  
April 15, 2021**

**Board Members in Attendance**

Mrs. Betty Wilson, Chair; Mrs. Anne Bennett, Treasurer; Mr. Louis Toth, Secretary.

**Attendees**

Mrs. Debbie Williams, Escambia County NRCS; Mr. Joshua McElhaneey, District Conservationist.

**Call to Order**

Mrs. Betty Wilson called the meeting to order at 9:23am.

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

Invocation was a moment of silence.

**Minutes of the Last Meeting**

Mrs. Anne Bennett made a motion to accept the March 18, 2021 minutes with the corrections of spelling and Treasurer Report. Seconded by Mr. Louis Toth. Motion carried unopposed.

**Acknowledgment of Public Notice**

The meeting advertisement was noted.

**Treasurer's Report**

Mrs. Bennett gave the treasurer report.

**New Business**

Mrs. Bennett handed out information on how to make natural mosquito spray repellent and information on plant pollinators. Discussion on earth day and seed packs. When able, the mosquito repellent and bee information will be put on their webpage.

Discussion on sending Farm Bureau a thank you note for letting the Board use their facility for meetings. Motion was made by Mrs. Bennett to send a letter to Farm Bureau and asked if Mr. Toth would draft the letter. Motion seconded by Mr. Toth. Motion carried unopposed.

Discussion on AFCD state conference and the upcoming AFCD area meeting. The Board members will try to attend the area meeting.

Mrs. Wilson has reviewed information from the State Division of Elections and spoke with AFCD's parliamentarian, Archi Matthew, regarding Ms. Catherine Dismukes absence from the Board meetings and having no contact with any Board member.

Ms. Wilson read the following and all were in agreement with the statement:

"Catherine Monroe-Dismukes ran unopposed for the Group 3 position of the Escambia Soil and Water Conservation District Board of Supervisors. Ms. Monroe-Dismukes failed to pay her state fee of \$10 and never signed or submitted the Oath of Office. Therefore, she has been impeached in office."

Discussion was held on the vacant seat and the Board will be looking at possibilities of appointing someone.

**Old Business**

The Board had approved not to pay the NACD dues during their March meeting and to send a hardship letter. The letter will be mailed out this month.

Discussion on the county's comprehensive plan and the changes to the plan. Both Mr. Toth and Mrs. Bennett on their own submitted letters of concern. Mr. Toth submitted his thoughts to the Board of Commissioners and the Department of Economics (DOE). Mrs. Bennett submitted a letter to the DOE as well.

**Reports**

Mr. Joshua McElhaney gave the District Conservationist report.

With no further business coming before the Board, Mr. Toth made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Mrs. Bennett. The meeting adjourned at 11:09am.



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Mr. Louis Toth, Secretary