



SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT OF MADISON COUNTY, FL

James W. (Billy) Brown, Chairman • John Henry Phillips, Vice Chairman • Buck M. Carpenter, Secretary- Treasurer

17 May 2023

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

SUBJECT: Minutes for SWCD Board Meeting- Regular Session –17 May 2023

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Billy Brown, Chairman of the Madison Soil & Water Conservation District (SWCD) at 9:20 a.m., Wednesday, May 17, 2023, at the Madison County Soil & Water Conservation District Conference Room. Supervisors present included: Mr. Billy Brown, Mr. John Henry Phillips, Jr., Mr. Buck M. Carpenter, and Mr. Tyler Shadrick. Others present included: Mr. Matt Yates, Mr. John Sowell, Mr. Joel Love, Dr. Sidhu Sudeep, and Mrs. Nancy Plank. Mr. Matt Yates opened the meeting with a word of prayer. Mr. Buck Carpenter led the Pledge of Allegiance

Administration- Mr. Billy Brown

- Mr. Billy Brown presented the agenda for the Madison SWCD Board Meeting- Regular Session, Wednesday, May 17, 2023, for adoption. Mr. John Henry Phillips, Jr. made a motion that the agenda be adopted; there was a second by Mr. Tyler Shadrick - the motion carried.
- Mr. Billy Brown presented to the Board the SWCD meeting minutes for Wednesday April 19, 2023. Mr. Tyler Shadrick made a motion to approve the minutes; there was a second by Mr. John Henry Phillips, Jr. - the motion carried.
- Mr. Buck Carpenter presented the Treasurers Report. Mr. Buck Carpenter made a motion to approve the report as presented - Mr. Tyler Shadrick seconded the motion - the motion carried.
- Mr. Tyler Shadrick made a motion to send a letter to FDACS/OAWP concerning the current status of MIL and future needs, along with an invitation to a Madison SWCD Board Meeting. Mr. John Henry Phillips seconded - the motion carried.

SWCD Administration

Mr. Billy Brown shared that many of us are working double time to keep up. He reported on the benefits of Agriculture Sugar with Nutrient Stewardship and the benefits of Ag Sugar on perennial peanut for nitrogen reduction.

No Reports from: Conservation Technician, FDACS ES-III, and NRCS Conservationist.

Mr. Joel Love – IFAS/UF reported on the OAWP meeting concerning the outlook of the office regarding partnership building. He also shared that Gilchrist SWCD held a banquet that featured BMP success stories, and he plans to start documenting BMP success stories.

Mr. Matt Yates – RCP gave the MIL report. RCP attended the quarterly ICC Meeting yesterday. Went over MIL Contract Deliverables during the meeting and shared some programmatic changes with contracts.

Dr. Sidhu Sudeep reported on the Birdsong/Lee Peanut Tour of the IFAS/Madison SWCD Demo Project.

Mrs. Nancy Plank shared that the Area II Meeting will be held tomorrow in Gilchrist County.

Discussion concerning the Conservation Technician position vacancy.

Conserving Natural Resources for Our Future...

The Madison SWCD Long-Range Plan, By-Laws, District Handbook, and Sales Tax Exemption discussion was tabled at the April 19, 2023, Board Meeting, realizing the need to accomplish this product but also the considerations that go into formulating the plan. Due to the demand of diligence, this will be an ongoing project to revitalize.

Mr. Tyler Shadrick made a motion to adjourn the meeting with a second from Mr. Buck Carpenter. Mr. Billy Brown, Chairman adjourned the meeting at 11:43 a.m. The next regular scheduled meeting will be held at the Madison County Soil & Water Conservation District Conference Room on Wednesday, June 21, 2023, at 9:00 a.m. Any changes to this meeting time/location will be posted prior to the revised time/location at the SWCD website: <https://madisoncountyfl.com/soil-water-conservation-district/>.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Buck Mitchell Carpenter". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal line extending from the end of the name.

BUCK M. CARPENTER

Secretary/ Treasurer