

## **Duval Soil & Water Conservation District**

260 U.S. 301 North Baldwin, FL 32234, (904) 299-3112 www.duvalsoilandwater.com, duvalswcd@gmail.com, FB @jaxsoilandwater Meeting Location: 1010 N McDuff Avenue, Jacksonville, FL 32254 Jennifer Casey, Chair

Planning Meeting Agenda – November 3, 2021 3:30 PM

**Supervisors in Attendance:** Jennifer Casey (Chairwoman), Ashantae Green (Historian), Allen Moore (Treasurer)

**Affiliate Members in Attendance:** Joshua Rosenburg (NativeJax), Tiffany Bess (Apple Rabbit Compost) **Other Staff:** Thea Baker (District Aide), Alison O'Donoghue (Urban Ag Coordinator)

Call to Order: 3:37

**Introductory Remarks:** Allen Moore discussed how the UrbanAg Committee meeting went. Jacksonville has been identified as a top priority.

**Treasurer's report:** Received \$5,000 from JEPB as a third and final installment from a 3 year grant. **Old Business:** 

- Conservation Photo Contest Allen Moore
  - Theme: Healthy Soils, Healthy Life
  - Deadline for national recognition is December 1st (previously thought to be December 31st).
     Allen Moore recommends a change in date for local contest to November 24th
    - Motion AllenMoore, 2nd Ashantae Green, approved 3-0.
  - Allison to create a blog post and share it via Facebook
  - o Tiffany to run lead
  - o Ashantae to make flyer
  - Vote will be on the 28th
- 2021 Calendar Year Budget Reconciliation Thea get with Allen about
- Treat Our Teachers event on Dec 7 Tiffany Bess
  - Community Loaves agreed to host it.
- JEPB Meeting presentation Jennifer Casey did a 10 minute presentation with questions at the end.
  - 24 states have tax revenue for conservation districts. In 2016, Florida legislature prohibited any future revenue for districts. Funding request covers the conservation education element.

### **Committee Reports:**

- S-Line Regeneration Project Alison O'Donoughue
  - Tabling at White House Farms Field Day on Nov 4
  - Tabling at Porchfest on Nov 6
    - Joshua Rosenburg to take 6-8 PM, all other shifts covered
    - Regeneration 3.0 Poster is needed before Porchfest. Motion to approve up to \$80 Ashantae Green, Allen Moore Second. Approved 3-0.
  - Farm City Luncheon bag stuffing on Nov 16
    - 9:30 AM, requested help with bag stuffing Joshua may be able to help.
  - Go Take a Hike Event with St. Johns Riverkeeper on Dec 1
    - Between 8-20 kids / attendees
    - Ashantae Green motions to approve up to \$30 for supplies, Allen Moore -Second. Approved 3-0.
  - Soil Life Organics invoice
    - \$500 for soil testing, \$500 for inoculation. This was already written into the grant.
      - Ashantae Green motion to approve invoice, Allen Moore second. Approved 3-0.



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- Josh recommends saving some of the funds for future soil testing
- COJ Park Stewardship Agreement tabeled
- Start Farming Panel Discussion & Holiday Market on Dec 1 Tiffany Bess
  - Lola Farms still hasn't responded Tiffany to follow up
  - o Vendor Thea to reach out to Tim at EatYourYardJax
  - o Recognize the start farming mentees at panel
- 2021 Local Working Group Meeting Agenda Nov 16 at 3:30pm
  - 18 registered plus board members
- 2022 Regional Envirothon on Mar 3
  - o \$100 approved for brochures.
    - Allen Moore Motion, Ashantae Green Second, Approved 3-0.
  - Get teachers from the teacher event that we're doing to get interested in taking over Joyce's position as Envirothon Coordinator.
- 2022 Speech and Poster Contest on Feb 16 Allen Moore
  - Jennifer going to be at NACD meeting in Orlando (Feb 12-16th)
  - We are hosting the contest, so everyone is to think about a date to reschedule

#### **New Business:**

- NACD dues Sliding scale \$1-\$3,000 (different levels, each district can choose)
  - o Bronze is \$101-\$500
  - Motion to approve \$250 Ashantae Green, Allen Moore second. Approved 3-0.
- PNC Bank update
  - Finally have a debit card for account. System is not set up for multiple users for the app. You
    can log in on computers, but only one app can be used.
  - Statement because of the transfer, we don't have access to anything online prior to October 8th.

**Requests for Service:** Black Hammock Island Requests - Without board action, individuals can speak, but nobody can represent board. Not a HUD request, it's an overlay, which is preventative in nature. They also have an issue with land acquisition. Board may be able to provide a letter of support. We are waiting to hear back from them, if they'd like this.

### **Board Member & Affiliate Comments:**

Tiffany requests to put a pumpkin compost flyer at DSWCD's table at White Harvest Farms Event and Porch Fest.

**Next Full Board Meeting:** Nov 17, 2021, Duval Ag. Extension Office **Adjourn:**