

Jackson Soil & Water Conservation District

Board of Supervisors July 2026 Meeting Minutes

Location: Jackson County UF/IFAS Extension Office

Date: July 08, 2026

Time: 8:00 AM CST

Board members present: Steve Basford, David DeFelix, Michael Davis, Michael Thompson, Jeff Pittman

Quorum: YES

Absent: 0

Staff present: Haylee Sapp, District Coordinator, Katie Moore, JSWCD BMP Technician

Attendees present: John Baggett, FDACS/OAWP - Environmental Manager, Peter Scott, FDCAS/OAWP Environmental Consultant, Gary Chew, NFWFMD – Environmental Specialist II, Michael Felton, NRCS District Conservationist, and Nick Reynolds, Quail Forever.

NRCS: Michael reports that he just finished assessments of the 12 EQIP applications. There are 5 CSP applications that have been preapproved. There are 10 RCPP applications as well. He informs the board that there is a Panhandle Landowner Association EXPO on August 22, 2026.

NFWFMD: Gary reports there are no significant updates. He is working on equipment cost share funding, which is being capped at \$100,000 per project that a producer applies for. They are working on getting additional funding towards the livestock grant, which includes cross fencing.

Quail Forever: Nick Reynolds is based in Quincy, FL at the NRCS office. He assists landowners and agriculture owners all over the state to improve the environment of their land for wildlife, farm life and the quail. He offers free services to help increase the population of quail in the area. The decline of the quail population was an amalgamation of habitat loss, lack of habitat management and herbicides and pesticides taking away its food source.

BMP w/ FDACS: July 1st started the new fiscal year for Cost Share. The online application is open. The funding cap per producer is still \$100,000. Field staff can help producers fill out the online application if assistance is needed. IVs are being done.

Financial: Bank account balances ended on 06/30/2026 at \$291,417.47. We have completed all 2025-2026 Cost Share. The invoices for our BMP/MIL June Expenses are pending with upload. Their 5% = \$1,768.14. Our operating expenses for June were \$274.89. May ending balances totaled: \$291,417.47. June total debits: \$131,323.84. June total credits: \$186,957.11. June 30 balances = \$347,050.74. With the BMP/MIL and C/S Invoice reimbursements of \$37,131.07. That leaves the balance of \$384,181.81.

Unfinished Business: Supervisor Pittman motions for the BMP truck to receive a medium tint at \$275.00; Seconded by Supervisor Davis. Carried unanimously.

Adjourned: 8:40 AM CST