

Jackson Soil & Water Conservation District

Board of Supervisors April Meeting Minutes

Location: UF/IFAS Jackson County Extension Office (2741 Penn Ave, STE 3, Marianna, FL 32448)

Date: April 08, 2026

Time: 8:00 AM

Board members present: David DeFelix, Michael Thompson, and Jeff Pittman

Quorum: YES

Absent: Steve Basford

Staff present: Haylee Sapp, District Coordinator, Katie Moore, JSWCD BMP Tech, Rex Patterson, JSWCD MIL Team Lead, Kevin Warren, JSWCD MIL Tech.

Attendees present: Doug Mayo, Jackson County UF/IFAS Extension Director, John Baggett, FDACS/OAWP - Environmental Manager, Peter Scott, FDCAS/OAWP Environmental Consultant, Gary Chew, NFWFMD – Environmental Specialist II & AG Cost Share, and Michael Felton, NRCS.

Supervisor DeFelix calls the meeting to order at 8:00 AM CST.

Supervisor Pittman motions to approve the March 11, 2026, agenda. Seconded by Supervisor Thompson. Carried unanimously. Supervisor Thompson motions to approve the February 12, 2026, meeting minutes. Seconded by Supervisor Pittman. Carried unanimously.

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NRCS: Michael reports that there are 117 EQIP applicants. Currently, there is a new program underway called RCCP, it is like NRCS, without any salary limitations. He is the only NRCS agent in the Marianna NRCS office. He is in office from Tuesday to Thursday.

UF/IFAS: Doug reports that we are 8 inches below average on rain fall. The soil moisture in March dropped as well. We are in the extreme exceptional of a drought. FSA is considering issuing additional funds or an emergency declaration.

NFWFMD: Gary knows that there have been meetings, but he is unsure of the outcome from those meetings about the drought. There is still self-advisory of water limitations.

BMP with FDACS/OAWP: John reports that there are 20 producers that were approved for Cost-Share funding. 16 have completed their projects and have been reimbursed. Field staff are completing site visitations, IVs, and enrollments. They are enrolling the unenrolled parcels in the BMAP area. Logistics are still being worked on for noncommercial agricultural producers.

MIL: Rex reports that everything is going well. They are waiting to hear from Camilo about the reports for the MIL Invoicing for March.

Financial: Haylee reports the invoice for our BMP March Expenses were uploaded on April 4, 2026. Our operating expenses fees for March were \$325.28. March total debts: \$186,522.94. March total credits: \$266,894.17. March 31 balances = \$808,380.22. March 31 balances = \$808,380.22. With the BMP/MIL Invoice reimbursements of \$28,645.32. That leaves the balance of \$560,276.99 to the board's discretion.

Supervisors: Pittman informs the attendees that there will be a meeting regarding the Agricultural Law Enforcement patrols on April 27th at 5pm CST in the UF/IFAS Jackson County Extension Office. There will be a light dinner for those attending.

Unfinished Business: Due to Mack Glass resigning from his District 2 Supervisor position in December, Michael Davis has been nominated for the District 2 Supervisor position. Supervisor Pittman motions to nominate Michael Davis as the next District 2 Supervisor. Seconded by Supervisor Thompson. Carried unanimously.

Adjourned at 8:46 AM CST.