

Hendry Soil & Water Conservation District  
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Minutes

December 10th, 2025

The Hendry Soil and Water Conservation District meeting was called to order at 1:00 PM on December 10, 2025, by Jarad Plair

The meeting was held in the large meeting room in the Dallas B. Townsend Agricultural Building at 1085 Pratt Blvd., LaBelle, Florida.

Supervisor's Present:

Supervisor Jarad Plair

Supervisor David Conly

Supervisor Ariel Avila

Supervisor's Absent:

Chair Lissa Cleghorn

Bruce Hendry

Others Present:

Conor Egan District Conservationist, USDA LaBelle Field Office

Bob Beck HSWCD Spotter

Yokasta Baez Hendry SWCD Program Manager

CALL TO ORDER

Minutes from May 15, 2025, meetings were read and reviewed. Motion to approve (Jarad/ Conly)

Financial report of December 10, 2025. Motion to approve (Conly/ Plair)

Staff Reports

- HSWCD Bob Beck gave report
- NRCS – Conor Egan gave report
- Yokasta Báez HSWCD Program Manager gave report

## II. OLD BUSINESS

- SB 986 a Bill to abolish certain SWCD in the State of Florida has been indefinitely postponed and withdrawn from consideration.
- SB 973 a Bill to abolish certain SWCD in the State of Florida has been indefinitely postponed and withdrawn from consideration.

## III. NEW BUSINESS

- Update on the New American-Made Drone (Progress, and next milestone)
  - Discussion on Amendment made to the BMP Contract.
  - Shawron Weingarten Manager of the Agriculture Program will be presenting a funding request for St. Matthew's House. *Motion to approve a donation in the amount of \$16,618.67 for St. Matthew's House Agricultural Program (New Irrigation System) was made by Plair (Plair, Avila, Conly). The Motion Passed Unanimous.*
- Motion to approve a Christmas bonus of \$ 1,250.00 each for Bob Beck, Bobby Holland and Yokasta Báez. (Plair, Conly Avila) Motion passed Unanimous.

## IV. Miscellaneous/ Upcoming Event

- Signatures
- Next meeting date scheduled for (2.26.2026)

## V. ADJOURN – Meeting was adjourned at 1:43 PM