

**Sumter County Soil and Water Conservation District Annual Meeting**  
**September 30, 2016**

The Sumter County Soil and Water Conservation District convened for an annual meeting on Friday, September 30, 2016 at 11:00 a.m. at Beef O Brady's, 2586 W C-48, Bushnell, FL 33513.

The following members of the Board were present: Chairman – Anne Shepherd (Group 1), Secretary/Treasurer – Marcia Taylor (Group 2), Benita Dixon (Group 3), and Johanna Jones (Board member effective January 1, 2017, Group 4). Additional individuals present included the Ag Alliance committee members and representatives from the United States Department of Agriculture Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS), Florida Department of Agricultural and Consumer Sciences (FDACS), and Southwest Florida Water Management District (SWFWMD).

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Meeting Minutes

1. The meeting was called to order by the Chairman.
2. Proof of publication for the meeting
  - a. [Proof of publication of the notice of the meeting was entered into the record.](#)
3. Determination of a quorum.
  - a. Board determined there was a quorum.
4. Public Forum
  - a. None
5. Recognize the Sumter County Ag Alliance Chairman to open their meeting to conduct a joint meeting.
  - a. Suzy Daubert from the USDA NRCS presented the 2015 Local Florida NRCS Working Group Task Guide for attendee feedback regarding the Environmental Quality Incentives Program, Outreach, and any additional comments. Feedback was recorded by Suzy Daubert for inclusion in the submission to USDA.
  - b. Representatives from SWFWMD and FDACS also presented cost-share programs to assist agricultural producers with existing operational cost reductions.
6. Adjourn
  - a. Benita Dixon made the motion to adjourn the meeting with a second by Anne Shepherd. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 12:35 p.m.