Choctawhatchee River Soil & Water Conservation District

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Board of Supervisors Meeting Minutes

November 9, 2026
5:30 p.m.

Present:	Leonard Thorn	Mellody Hughes
	Ray Jackson	Dalton Bodie
	Henry Hodges	

The meeting was called to order by Leonard Thorn, Chairman.

The minutes for the August 10, 2026, meeting were reviewed and approved as presented.

The Financial Report was given as of November 9, 2026:

Regions Checking Balance	$38,693.15
Regions CD	$70,000.00
	$108,693.15

The proposed amendment to the FY 2026-27 adopted budget was reviewed and discussed. Ray entered a motion to amend the budget adopted on August 10, 2026, to include a line item for Dues & Memberships for $1,500.00. Second by Henry. The motion passed unanimously.

Dalton gave his DC report. He stated that the new District Conservationist will start here on November 30, 2026. He also discussed the possibility of a federal government shutdown in December.

Leonard and Mellody reported on the AFCD meeting held in Gainesville, FL on August 25, 2026, and AFCD Executive Board zoom meeting held October 27, 2026. AFCD voted to hire a lobbyist to assist AFCD and Soil & Water Districts in Florida with possible future legislation.

Under New Business meeting dates for 2027 were discussed. Henry made a motion to continue meeting quarterly with the following dates: February 8, May 10, August 9, November 8 for 2027. Second by Ray. The motion passed unanimously.

The next meeting will be held on Monday, February 8, 2027, at 5:30 p.m.

Ray made a motion to adjourn the meeting, second by Henry, the motion passed, the meeting adjourned at 6:41 p.m.

Minutes approved at the _____, _____, 202___ meeting by

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Cathy Johnson
Secretary/Treasurer
Choctawhatchee River SWCD

Attested:

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Mellody Hughes
Office Manager
Choctawhatchee River SWCD