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**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

**MINUTES**

**DATE:** October 21, 2020

**PRESENT:** Supervisors – Anthony “Tony” Busby, Matthew Boggs, Larry Allen Schneck. Guest – Marc Clinch.

**ABSENT:** Jackie Henry, Dr. Deborah Livingston

1. **Call to Order and Roll Call:** Meeting was called to order by Chairman Tony Busby at 5:02 p.m. via Zoom video conference meeting.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation:** Pledge of Allegiance led by Chairman Busby. Invocation led by Secretary Schneck.
3. **Minutes:** September 19, 2020 minutes approved by voice vote 3-0.
4. **Treasurer’s Report:** None.
5. **Conservationist’s Report:** None.
6. **Old Business**
   1. **eSTEM Partnership:** Mr. Marc Clinch, Chief Facilities Officer, Facilities Services, The School District of Osceola County, Florida (SDOC), said he met with Chairman Busby and Mr. David Noyes, Principal, Canoe Creek K-8 School. The principal agreed to a partnership with the OSWCD to support the school’s gardening initiative. Canoe Creek’s curriculum focuses on Environmental education, Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (E-STEM). It’s focused on sustainability themes with an emphasis on gardening. The school will feature gardens on campus to establish these skills and expose students to a future in an agriculture studies track. Harmony High School is the program that Canoe Creek feeds into. Harmony has an “Ag” program. Mr. Clinch said Mr. Noyes will try to attend the next monthly meeting. Supervisor Boggs asked how many charter schools have been taken over by SDOC. Mr. Clinch responded he believed only Canoe Creek was being converted from charter to public.
   2. **Victory Garden Update:** Tabled until next month. Motioned by Supervisor Boggs. Seconded by Secretary Schneck. Motion passed 4-0.
7. **New Business**
   1. **Volunteer Assistant:** Chairman Busby motioned to create a volunteer coordinator post and advertise the position on Facebook. This volunteer would communicate with the Board outside of meetings. The Sunshine Laws currently prohibit discussion of Board business if not in a public meeting. Motion passed 3-0.
   2. **Facebook Link and Google Directory:** Supervisor Boggs and Chairman Busby agreed to allowing their Facebook pages to be given editor rights on the OSWCD Facebook site.
   3. **Smelly Plant:** Supervisor Boggs said South Bermuda Water Reclamation Facility smells and is affecting homeowners in the area on South John Young Parkway. Chairman Busby said the Saint Cloud plant is a model of efficiency and could be copied. Mr. Boggs is concerned the Kissimmee site is negatively affecting people in the neighborhoods around the facility.

**Public Comment:** None.

1. **Adjournment:** 5:32 p.m.

# Next Meeting:

Wednesday, November 18, 2020 at 5:00 p.m. via Zoom Teleconference