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AFCD Board of Directors Meeting June 15, 2007

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9 The Association of Florida Conservation District (AFCD) Board of Directors held a
10 meeting in the Conference Room at the NRCS office in Gainesville on Friday, June 15,
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13 Those in attendance included Andy Jackson, Mike Barr, Wilbur Dean, John Chamberlain,
14 , Barbara Gill, Niles Glasgow, Ed Wright, and Michelle Thatcher

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16 Wilbur Dean convenes the meeting at 10:50

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19 Mike discussed Turf Pro USA and a partnership with Seminole Soil and Water
20 Conservation District.

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22 Hugh stated that Bradford took over the mosquito abatement program. They are very
23 involved on many different Levels. Bill Schumacker is the contact. Hugh said that he
24 would get Mike the contact information. Mike suggested that this is information that we
25 get to other districts. Michelle brought up Farm Ponds

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28 John Chamberlain moves to remove the quorum requirement. Jackson seconded. Passed
29 unanimously.

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32 Chamberlain moves that we accept the April 25th and June 15th meeting

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34 Who has the authority to regulate the farm pond program through the farm bill?

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37 Financial Report:

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39 Andy wants to have everyone check around to all the banks to check the best interest
40 rates and send it to the person making the phone call.

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42 Andy makes a motion to reserve \$2000 in the Ellis Putnal Fund. If we receive any
43 additional funds from Putnal than we will open an additional cd unless we receive the
44 funds before August 7th.

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46 Andy moves that we accept the financial report. Chamberlain seconds it. Motion carries.

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48 Hugh REPORT

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50 FDACS will have 4 people. FDACS office budget will be cut. Cost share went from 9
51 million to 4 million. The cuts are hitting Soil and Water conservation Districts and there
52 offices are aware of that, /there is an intent to have a contract with AFCS. We will keep
53 the same services and develop new services. Michelle had put us down

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55 Utilization of Funds

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57 NILES REPORT

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59 NACD regarding the Farm Bill.

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61 AFCD needs to send a letter to FDACS and Soil and Water Conservation Council.

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63 The entire southwest section of Florida

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65 Lee County. The district board got elected and took over and terminate the district
66 employees. They have made the decision with their \$100,000 that they will give away
67 the money at \$10 at a time.

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70 Barbara Gill:

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72 FCDEA has awarded two different awards to District Employees for the annual meeting.
73 She feels it is critical to educate. More districts can share district employees that have
74 expertise. Barbara goes into neighboring counties to implement their educational
75 programs. Annual meeting, August the 9th.

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77 Annual Meeting:

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79 Michelle to send the resolutions to John Costigan.

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81 Andy said the NACD rep will be their at the meeting. Mike Barr makes a motion of
82 paying for 3 nights room and full Package 1 registration. Jackson seconded.

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84 Andy will do the best job that he can for NACD to come if they can and will work hard.
85 Up to 500.
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87 Charles Bronson will be invited if we move forward with the Annual meeting. Otherwise
88 we could have Livingston.
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90 Andy Jackson makes a motion to pursue a contract with Patrick Stauch. Chamberlain
91 seconded. Passed unanimously.
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93 Speech Topic: What is the future of Florida's renewable energies? Jackson made the
94 motion. Oconnor seconded.
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96 New Business: Resolution for state funding:
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98 Bring all the ideas to the annual meeting.
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100 Jackson makes a motion to pay the extra \$136.00 in addition to the. Chamberlain
101 seconded
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103 Chamberlain moves we adjourn.
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