

SUWANNEE RIVER WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

**MEMORANDUM**

TO: Governing Board

FROM: Stephen Schroeder, Chief, Office of Administration

THRU: Steve Minnis, Deputy Executive Director, Business and Community Services

DATE: October 2, 2020

RE: Resolution 2020-10 - Acquisition of a 10 Acre +/- Parcel of Real Property (Drufner), Hamilton County

**RECOMMENDATION**

Accept the Lands Committee recommendation for approval of the acquisition of a 10 acre +/- parcel of real property located in Hamilton County, and approve Resolution Number 2020-10 authorizing the use of funds from the Florida Forever Trust Fund for the land purchase and acquisition costs, and on terms agreed to between the District and Seller.

**BACKGROUND**

The District received an offer to purchase the fee interest in a 10 acre +/- tract of real property in Hamilton County from Jean T. Drufner. The Governing Board accepted the Lands Committee recommendation that staff enter detailed assessment and negotiations for the acquisition at its regular meeting on November 12, 2019.

After negotiations, a price of \$18,500 was agreed to between the District and the seller. The seller also agreed to pay all costs of the title search and title insurance. An appraisal of the property was conducted in July 2019 by the seller and appraised the value at \$25,000.00. Additionally, a Phase I Environmental Site Assessment was conducted and found no concerns.

At its meeting on September 21, 2020, the Lands Committee unanimously approved the staff recommendation to approve the final acquisition.

A copy of the location map is attached.

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Attachments  
File #2020-005