

Minutes
Forsyth Soil and Water Conservation District Board Meeting
May 9, 2016

The Forsyth SWCD Board met at 5:00 p.m. on May 9, 2016 in the Forsyth County Agriculture Building, Room 11.

Present: Toby Bost, Chair
Wes Schollander, Vice Chair
Beth Tucker, Member
James Knox, Member
Mark Tucker, Extension Director
Mike Bowman, Soil & Water Conservationist

Call to Order

Toby Bost called the meeting to order at 5:00.

Minutes/Financial Report

Minutes of the regular sessions of the SWCD Board meeting on April 11, 2016 and May 3, 2016 were reviewed and approved as presented.

The financial report of the SWCD was reviewed and approved as presented.

Division of Soil & Water

Rob Baldwin submitted a report detailing the various activities concerning the Division, Association, and Districts.

Forsyth County

Mark Tucker updated the board about the Volunteer Banquet that was held recently. He also shared a brochure that highlighted the Century Farm Program. Beth Tucker mentioned that it might be feasible to begin a recognition program for farms that do not qualify for the Century Farm status.

NC Agriculture Cost Share Program

An application was presented from Sullivan Farm for Heavy Use Area Protection. James Knox made a motion for approval. The motion was seconded by Beth Tucker and it was passed unanimously. The contract for Sullivan Farm in the amount of \$5,930 for CPO 34-2016-009 was presented. A motion for approval was made by James Knox and seconded by Beth Tucker. The motion was passed unanimously.

An application was presented from Greenbrook Farm for Abandoned Well Closure. James Knox made a motion for approval. The motion was seconded by Wes Schollander and it was passed unanimously. The contract for Greenbrook Farm in the amount of \$1,500 for CPO 34-2016-010 was presented. A motion for approval was made by James Knox and seconded by Wes Schollander. The motion was passed unanimously.

An application was presented from Melissa Capriola for a Stream Protection System. Beth Tucker made a motion for approval. The motion was seconded by James Knox and it was passed unanimously. The contract for Melissa Capriola in the amount of \$3,831 for CPO 34-2016-008 was presented. A motion for approval was made by Beth Tucker and seconded by James Knox. The motion was passed unanimously.

An application was presented from Tim Disher for Grass Waterways. James Knox made a motion for approval. The motion was seconded by Wes Schollander and it was passed unanimously. The contract for Tim Disher in the amount of \$11,613 for CPO 34-2016-011 was presented. A motion for approval was made by James Knox and seconded by Wes Schollander. The motion was passed unanimously.

A request for payment was presented from Greenbrook Farm for CPO 34-2016-005 in the amount of \$2,052. Beth Tucker made a motion for approval. The motion was seconded by James Knox and was passed unanimously.

A request for payment was presented from Deborah Hauser for CPO 34-2016-002 in the amount of \$1,521. James Knox made a motion for approval. The motion was seconded by Beth Tucker and was passed unanimously.

A request for payment was presented from Tim Disher for CPO 34-2016-003 in the amount of \$506. James Knox made a motion for approval. The motion was seconded by Wes Schollander and was passed unanimously.

Community Conservation Assistance Program

An application was presented from Tommy Reed for Abandoned Well Closure. Wes Schollander made a motion for approval. The motion was seconded by Beth Tucker and it was passed unanimously. The contract for Tommy Reed in the amount of \$1,500 for CPO 34-2016-502 was presented. A motion for approval was made by Wes Schollander and seconded by Beth Tucker. The motion was passed unanimously.

New Business

The board members discussed the spot check site visits that were conducted on April 28th. James Knox made a motion to accept the report. The motion was seconded by Wes Schollander and was approved unanimously, with Beth Tucker abstaining.

The 2017 Strategy Plan was reviewed with the board members. James Knox made a motion for approval. The motion was seconded by Wes Schollander and was approved unanimously.

An opportunity to become part of the State Envirothon Committee was discussed.

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 6:20 p.m.

The next meeting date:

June 13, 2016 at 5:00 p.m.

Forsyth County Agriculture Building, Room 11

Respectfully submitted,

Secretary

Recording

Chair, Forsyth SWCD

cc: NCDA&CS: Division of Soil and Water
Rob Baldwin, Regional Coordinator
Rhonda Ferguson, NRCS Administrative Assistant
Damon Sanders-Pratt, Deputy County Manager