

**Minutes**  
**Forsyth Soil and Water Conservation District Board Meeting**  
**August 20, 2019**

The Forsyth SWCD Board met on August 20, 2019 in the Forsyth County Agriculture Building, Room 106.

Present: Toby Bost, Chair  
Wes Schollander, Vice Chair  
Beth Tucker, Secretary/Treasurer  
Kim Gressley, Extension Director  
Mike Bowman, Soil & Water Conservationist  
Rick McSwain, Regional Coordinator  
Lee Holcomb, Supervisory Soil Conservationist  
Jordan Jones

**Call to Order**

Toby Bost called the meeting to order at 9:38.

The State Government Ethics Act mandates that at the beginning of any meeting the Chair reminds all the members of their duty to avoid conflicts of interest and inquire as to whether any member knows of any conflict of interest or potential conflict with respect to matters to come before the Commission. If any member knows of a conflict of interest or potential conflict, please state so at this time.

**Minutes/Financial Report**

Minutes of the regular session of the SWCD Board meeting on July 9, 2019 were reviewed and approved by unanimous consent.

The financial report of the SWCD was reviewed and approved by unanimous consent.

**Forsyth County**

Kim Gressley discussed the events of Farm City Week, as well as the Professional Development day for staff in November.

**NRCS**

Lee Holcomb informed the Board that he has accepted the position of Assistant State Conservationist in Area 2. He reviewed the details concerning the role of NRCS in relation to the conservation partnership. There was a total of \$160,000 allocated to EQIP contracts in Forsyth County. He also mentioned the upcoming FRPP annual reviews.

**DSWC**

Rick McSwain detailed the Division's role in the conservation partnership. He mentioned that the MOU's may need to be reworked. Rick also discussed some of the provisions contained within the proposed NC Farm Act. He discussed upcoming training opportunities and the Association Area Meeting.

**NC Agriculture Cost Share Program**

An application was presented from Martha Osbeck for a stream protection system. Beth Tucker made a motion for approval. The motion was seconded by Wes Schollander and it was passed unanimously. The contract for Martha Osbeck in the amount of \$13,397 for CPO 34-2020-001 was presented. A motion for approval was made by Beth Tucker and seconded by Wes Schollander. The motion was passed unanimously.

An application was presented from Rachel Yancey for a stream protection system. Beth Tucker made a motion for approval. The motion was seconded by Wes Schollander and it was passed unanimously. The contract for Rachel Yancey in the amount of \$7,472 for CPO 34-2020-002 was

presented. A motion for approval was made by Beth Tucker and seconded by Wes Schollander. The motion was passed unanimously.

An application was presented from David Mecum 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 David Mecum in the amount of \$1,072 for CPO 34-2020-004 was presented. A motion for approval was made by Wes Schollander and seconded by Beth Tucker. The motion was passed unanimously.

An application was presented from Wayne Woosley for cropland conversion. Wes Schollander made a motion for approval. The motion was seconded by Beth Tucker and it was passed unanimously. The contract for Wayne Woosley in the amount of \$5,657 for CPO 34-2020-003 was presented. A motion for approval was made by Wes Schollander and seconded by Beth Tucker. The motion was passed unanimously.

### **Old Business**

The Board members discussed the available seat vacated by Ed Wall. Beth Tucker made a motion to recommend Jordan Jones to fill the seat. The motion was seconded by Wes Schollander and it was passed unanimously.

### **Adjourn**

The meeting was adjourned at 10:50 a.m.

### **The next meeting date:**

September 10, 2019 at 9:30 a.m. Forsyth County Agriculture Building, Room 106

Respectfully submitted,

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Recording Secretary

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Chair, Forsyth SWCD

cc: NCDA&CS: Division of Soil and Water  
Rick McSwain, Regional Coordinator