

**Minutes**  
**Forsyth Soil and Water Conservation District Board Meeting**  
**December 11, 2008**

The Forsyth SWCD Board met at 9:00 a.m. on Thursday, December 11, in the Forsyth County Agriculture Building library. The meeting was called to order by Ed Wall, Vice Chairman.

Present: Grover McPherson, Chairman  
Ed Wall, Secretary  
Toby Bost, Member  
Beth Tucker, Member  
Steven Anderson, Member  
Mike Bowman, Soil & Water Conservationist  
Linda Birdsong, Soil and Water Community Conservation Coordinator  
Gary Cox, District Conservationist

**Minutes/Financial Report**

Minutes of the regular session of the SWCD Board meeting on November 13, 2008 were reviewed. The minutes were approved as presented.

The Financial Report of the SWCD Board was reviewed. The item was approved as presented.

**Forsyth County**

In Mark Tucker's absence, Mike Bowman brought forth the following items for discussion.

The Kernersville Tuesday News recently published an article on Leo Whicker, Farm Family of the Year recipient. Members discussed having the article sent to the Winston-Salem Journal.

Every county department has been requested to hold 5-10% of their budget in "reserve," and not spend this money until funds are released.

The Division has given Wendi Hartup design approval for CCAP backyard BMPs for the purposes of job approval authority.

The board should offer suggestions for next year's banquet including the menu. An additional \$250 dollars is still needed to cover the total cost of the 2008 banquet. Ed Wall made a motion to contribute the \$250 needed to pay for the banquet. Beth Tucker seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.

**Natural Resources Conservation Service**

Gary Cox reported that in addition to Forsyth and Guilford, he has been working in Moore and Granville counties as part of a national NRCS audit.

**Division of Soil and Water Conservation**

Grover McPherson reported that the TRC has referred the question of adding cisterns as an ACSP BMP to a higher Division committee for review. This BMP is also being reviewed for continued inclusion in the CCAP.

## **NC Agriculture Cost Share Program Report**

### Contract Approvals

An application was presented from Marvin Eaton for cover crops. Ed Wall made a motion for approval. The motion was seconded by Toby Bost and it was passed unanimously. The Contract for Marvin Eaton in the amount of \$3,180 for CPO 34-09-21-12 was presented. A motion for approval was made by Ed Wall and was seconded by Toby Bost. The motion was passed unanimously.

An application was presented from Marvin Eaton for an agricultural water supply pond. Ed Wall made a motion for approval. The motion was seconded by Toby Bost and it was passed unanimously. The Contract for Marvin Eaton in the amount of \$ 27,000 for CPO 34-09-23-12 was presented. A motion for approval was made by Ed Wall and was seconded by Toby Bost. The motion was passed unanimously.

An application was presented from Tim Weavil for cover crops. Ed Wall made a motion for approval. The motion was seconded by Toby Bost and it was passed unanimously. The Contract for Tim Weavil in the amount of \$ 4,690 for CPO 34-09-24-16 was presented. A motion for approval was made by Ed Wall and was seconded by Toby Bost. The motion was passed unanimously.

### Contract Requests for Payment

A Request for Payment was presented from Bobby Church for CPO 34-09-20-16 in the amount of \$5,625. Ed Wall made a motion for approval. The motion was seconded by Beth Tucker and it was passed unanimously.

Ed Wall made a motion to approve a Request for Payment from Emerson Crawford on CPO 34-08-18-16 in the amount of \$1,134. Beth Tucker seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.

Ed Wall made a motion to approve a Request for Payment from David Lawson on CPO 34-09-04-12 in the amount of \$1,350 Toby Bost seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.

Beth Tucker made a motion to approve a Request for Payment from Ed Wall on CPO 34-07-04-12 in the amount of \$2,250. Toby Bost seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously, with Ed Wall abstaining.

### Drought Response TA

Beth Tucker made a motion to approve receipt of \$700 from the Division for TA for seven drought Response contracts. Toby Bost seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.

## **Community Conservation Assistance Program (CCAP)**

### Contract Approvals

An application was presented from Bess Wagner for impervious surface conversion and critical area planting. Beth Tucker made a motion for approval. The motion was seconded by Steven Anderson and it was passed unanimously. The Contract for Bess Wagner in the amount of \$ 1,590 for CPO 34-09-503-16 was presented. A motion for approval was made by Beth Tucker and was seconded by Steven Anderson. The motion was passed unanimously.

### Job Approval Authority

Beth Tucker made a motion for Linda Birdsong and Mike Bowman to apply for CCAP Job approval authority from the NC Soil and Water Conservation Commission. Toby Bost seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.

**Old Business**

NCASWCD Annual Meeting

Grover McPherson reminded members of the December 12<sup>th</sup> registration deadline for the NCASWCD meeting.

**New Business**

Grover McPherson welcomed newly elected Supervisor Steven Anderson to the board.

Ed Wall made a motion to purchase 500 ink pens for district use. Toby Bost seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.

Mike Bowman requested that all unsold gator tickets be returned to him so they can be mailed to the Division.

Grover McPherson reminded members of the District Supervisor Training to be held in Chapel Hill on February 17-18, 2009. Supervisors planning to attend need to register online.

**Adjourn**

The meeting was adjourned at 10:30 a.m.

**The next meeting date:**

January 8, 2009 at 9:00 a.m.

The Forsyth County Agriculture Building, Auditorium A

Respectfully submitted,

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Recording Secretary

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Chairman, Forsyth SWCD

cc: NCDENR: Division of Soil and Water  
Michelle Lovejoy, Area 2 Coordinator  
Angela Little, Assistant State Conservationist  
Damon Sanders-Pratt, Deputy County Manager