

Minutes
Forsyth Soil and Water Conservation District Board Meeting
June 2, 2008

The Forsyth SWCD Board met at 5:00 p.m. on Monday, June 2, 2008 in Room 12 of the Forsyth County Agriculture Building. The meeting was called to order by Grover McPherson, Chairman.

Present: Grover McPherson, Chairman
Wes Schollander, Vice Chairman
Ed Wall, Secretary
Toby Bost, Member
Beth Tucker, Member
Mark Tucker, Director Cooperative Extension
Mike Bowman, Soil & Water Conservationist
Michelle Lovejoy, Area Coordinator

Minutes/Financial Report

Minutes of the regular session of the SWCD Board meeting on May 5 were reviewed. The minutes were approved as presented.

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

Division of Soil and Water Conservation

Michelle Lovejoy reviewed the events of the Conservation Awareness Day. She also briefed the Board about the House Bills concerning the Matching Funds and Supervisor travel. Michelle gave an update on the Division of Soil and Water Budget.

NC Agriculture Cost Share Program Report

Ed Wall made a motion to approve a Request for Payment from Tony Church on CPO 34-08-15-16 in the amount of \$5,000. Beth Tucker seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.

Beth Tucker made a motion to approve a Request for Payment from Ed Wall on CPO 34-07-08-16 in the amount of \$2,625. Wes Schollander seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously, with Ed Wall abstaining.

Beth Tucker made a motion to approve a Request for Payment from David Jones on CPO 34-06-09-16 in the amount of \$3,875. Toby Bost seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.

Wes Schollander made a motion to utilize the sample ranking forms provided by the Division of Soil and Water in conjunction with the Drought Recovery Program. Beth Tucker seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.

Community Conservation Assistance Program

An application was presented by Zachary P. LeGrand for Rain Gardens. Wes Schollander made a motion for approval. The motion was seconded by Toby Bost and it was passed unanimously. The Contract for Zachary P. LeGrand in the amount of \$1,186 for CPO 34-08-503-16 was presented and a motion for approval was made by Wes Schollander, and was seconded by Toby Bost. The motion was passed unanimously.

An application was presented by the NC School of the Arts for Cisterns. Beth Tucker made a motion for approval. The motion was seconded by Ed Wall and it was passed unanimously. The Contract for the NC School of the Arts in the amount of \$3,893 for CPO 34-08-501-16 was presented and a motion for approval was made by Beth Tucker, and was seconded by Ed Wall. The motion was passed unanimously.

Farmland Preservation Program

The Board discussed a request from Tempe Bennett concerning a proposal for the Beeson property. Ed Wall made a motion to allow the proposed uses of the property as outlined in a letter to the Board. Beth Tucker seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.

New Business

Ed Wall made a motion to submit a letter of recommendation to the NC Foundation of Soil & Water Conservation Districts on behalf of Aaron Speaks in relation to his application for the Area 2 Scholarship opportunity. Toby Bost seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.

Grover McPherson spoke to the Board members about a proposal from the Pilot View RC&D for Happy Hill Gardens. Wes Schollander made a motion to sponsor the project, if Grover was OK with the language in the proposal when Charles Anderson presents it to him. Beth Tucker seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.

Ed Wall made a motion to change the meeting time of the Forsyth SWCD Board to the 2nd Monday at 9:00 a.m. beginning with the August meeting. Beth Tucker seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.

Adjourn

The next meeting date:

July 7, 2008 5:00 p.m.

The Forsyth County Agriculture Building, Room 12

Respectfully submitted,

Recording Secretary

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