

Minutes
Forsyth Soil and Water Conservation District Board Meeting
November 14, 2016

The Forsyth SWCD Board met at 5:00 p.m. on November 14, 2016 in the Forsyth County Agriculture Building, Room 11.

Present: Toby Bost, Chair
Wes Schollander, Vice Chair
Beth Tucker, Member
Ed Wall, Member
Mike Bowman, Soil & Water Conservationist
Jerry Dorsett, Soil & Water Conservationist
Dede DeBruhl, Soil Conservationist
Joel Cooper

Call to Order

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

Minutes/Financial Report

Minutes of the regular session of the SWCD Board meeting on October 10, 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 sent a report detailing topics such as Supervisor Training Committee, Association Business, Annual Meeting, and Foundation Updates.

Forsyth County

Mark Tucker sent word thanking the board for the support of the Farm City Banquet. He thought the Farmland Protection Plan Summary was well received by the attendees, which included a few of the County Commissioners.

NRCS

Dede gave the board an update on the current status and deadlines concerning EQIP. She informed the group that the Emergency Action Plan has been approved. She reviewed the recent watershed dam inspection reports and noted some minor items for consideration. Beth Tucker made a motion to send a letter to the landowner concerning the issues within the spillway. Wes Schollander seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.

NC Agriculture Cost Share Program

A request for payment was presented from Justin Strickland for CPO 34-2017-001 in the amount of \$18,675. Beth Tucker made a motion for approval. The motion was seconded by Wes Schollander and was passed unanimously.

New Business

The board discussed the Foundation Endowment Campaign. Ed Wall made a motion to contribute \$500 in support of the effort. Beth Tucker seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.

Wes Schollander made a motion to approve the 2017 Secondary Employment Form for Mike Bowman. The motion was seconded by Ed Wall and was passed unanimously.

Beth Tucker updated the board on the progress being made with the Star Farm Program.

Jerry Dorsett updated the board on the progress of the Outdoor Learning Center installation at the Leadership Academy. He also provided an update on the progress being made on the Envirothon teams.

Ed Wall made a motion to move the meeting date to the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 9 a.m. The motion was seconded by Wes Schollander and was passed unanimously.

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

The next meeting date:

December 13, 2016 at 9:00 a.m.
Forsyth County Agriculture Building, Room 11

Respectfully submitted,

Recording Secretary

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