Minutes

Forsyth Soil and Water Conservation District Board Meeting December 11, 2014

The Forsyth SWCD Board met at 9:00 a.m. on December 11, 2014 in the Forsyth County Agriculture Building, Auditorium A. The meeting was called to order by Toby Bost, Chairman.

Present:

Toby Bost, Chairman
Ed Wall, Secretary/Treasurer
James Knox, Member
Wes Schollander, Member
Beth Tucker, Member
Mark Tucker, Director Cooperative Extension
Mike Bowman, Soil & Water Conservationist
Linda Birdsong, Community Conservation Coordinator
Wendi Hartup, Natural Resources Agent, Cooperative Extension
Dede DeBruhl, District Conservationist
Representative Evelyn Terry, District 71
Joel Cooper

Call to Order

Toby Bost called the meeting to order and welcomed Representative Evelyn Terry. Attendees introduced themselves.

Minutes/Financial Report

Minutes of the regular session of the SWCD Board meeting on November 13, 2014 were reviewed. The minutes were approved as presented.

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

Forsyth County

Mark Tucker reported that the NCDA contract for the Forsyth County Farmland Preservation Plan grant has been completed.

Natural Resource Conservation Service (NRCS)

Dede reported on the EQIP process for 2015 and the applications received to date. She discussed the HEL/Wetland 1026 process and passed out the new map showing the geographic work areas for each of the NC Resource Soil Scientists.

Division of Soil and Water Conservation

Rob Baldwin submitted a Division report for review.

Community Conservation Assistance Program (CCAP)

Application

An application was presented from Praise Assembly Ministries, Inc. for a cistern. James Knox made a motion for approval. The motion was seconded by Toby Bost and it was passed unanimously. The contract for Praise Assembly Ministries, Inc. in the amount of \$1,715 for CPO 34-2015-501 was presented. A motion for approval was made by James Knox and seconded by Toby Bost. The motion was passed unanimously.

Farmland Preservation Program

Mike Bowman informed the board that Kelly Josie made a request concerning sediment removal in Townfork Creek Watershed #5. The request was forwarded to Forsyth County as they are responsible for project maintenance.

New Business

Election of Officers

Ed Wall nominated Toby Bost for Chair. Toby Bost was elected Chair by acclamation. Ed Wall nominated Wes Schollander for Vice Chair. Wes Schollander was elected Vice Chair by acclamation.

Wes Schollander nominated Ed Wall for Secretary-Treasurer. Ed Wall was elected Secretary-Treasurer by acclamation.

Forsyth Creek Week Donation

Ed Wall made a motion to donate \$1,000 for support of Forsyth Creek Week. James Knox seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.

Farm City

James Knox made a motion to donate \$796.51 toward Farm City expenses. Ed Wall seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.

Adjourn

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

The next meeting date:

January 8, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. Forsyth County Agriculture Building, Room 11

Respectfully submitted,
Recording Secretary

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

Chairman, Forsyth SWCD