

BOARD MINUTES

RANDOLPH COUNTY SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT Asheboro, North Carolina

May 8, 2013

Meeting Number 9

Supervisors Present:

Craig Frazier, Chairman
Shane Whitaker, Treasurer
Bill Alston, Vice Chairman
Craig Macon, Secretary

Others Present:

Jenny Parks, Adm. Sec.
Kelly Whitaker, S&W Engineer
Wes Hicks, S&W Technician

Frazier called the meeting to order at 7:40 a.m. Supervisor travel vouchers were signed and returned.

ACTION ITEMS:

Staff Calendars and Timesheets were given to supervisors at this time.

Minutes from the April 10, 2013 meeting were reviewed and corrections were made. S. Whitaker moved, seconded by Alston, the board voted unanimously to approve the April 10, 2013 minutes.

The Treasurer's Report was presented.

The Board was reminded that RSWCD is on the Agenda for the Commissioner's Budget meeting 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. on Thursday, June 6, 2013. A supervisor should be in attendance to present our budget request to the County Commissioners. During this time the Randolph SWCD will seek \$500 to cover the cost of the PCC Dues as requested by them.

Discussion was had regarding funding needs of the Area 3 Envirothon. Gail Hughes from Orange SWCD was telephoned in at this time and discussion followed. No action was taken at this time.

The NRCS Report was given as follows:

-A news release was shared regarding another funding opportunity for EQIP.

The RC&D Report was given as follows by Alston:

-Alston reported that the PCC has received payment of \$500 from the Randolph SWCD.

-The PCC has met several times in the past month.

-The Lassiter Mill Dam Project will begin soon.

-Lindsay Royal may be offered an internship with the PCC soon.

-Alston reported that the PCC has sent payment of \$1,530 to the Randolph SWCD to close out the Quilt Trail Project. Parks reported that the Randolph SWCD has received that check.

Parks gave the Education Report as follows:

-Staff assisted with an Environmental Field Day at the Zoo – the entire fifth grade of Coleridge participated. It was a successful event and teachers said they would come back again next year. An evaluation was shared with the board from the teachers.

-Parks presented five Enviroscope presentations to the sixth grade classes of North Asheboro Middle School.

- Staff and Supervisors assisted with the State FFA land Judging Event held at McCain Dairy and Randleman High School.
- Whitaker and Parks attended an Ag Forum at Cooperative Extension Office – educational items were discussed during this meeting.
- Hicks assisted with the NC State Envirothon event and Parks assisted with the tests prior to the event.
- Parks gave an Enviroscape presentation to a Boy Scout Troop in Asheboro who were Special Olympians. This assisted them in acquiring their Soil and Water Conservation Badge.
- Next Thursday the Randolph SWCD will be hosting a Field tour for a group of Asheboro High School students. They will be visiting the Wright Farm and Whitaker Farms.

K. Whitaker gave the NCACSP Report as follows:

- K. Whitaker reminded the board that there were two more spot checks that need to be completed.
- K. Whitaker presented the Program Year 2014 Strategy Plan. Macon moved, seconded by S. Whitaker, the board voted unanimously to approve the Program Year 2014 Strategy Plan as presented.
- K. Whitaker presented Program Policies for NCACSP, AgWRAP, and Community Conservation for approval. Alston moved, seconded by Macon, the board voted unanimously to accept and approve these policies as presented. A copy of each will be attached to these minutes.
- K. Whitaker presented the NCACSP BMP Fund Certification. S. Whitaker moved, seconded by Macon, the board voted to accept the NCACSP BMP Fund Certification as presented. This document will become a part of the Strategy Plan.
- Contract #76-13-09-02 was presented for approval. The Board requested staff speak to the state to determine how best to revise the contract figures so as not to obligate the participant at a reduced rate. A teleconference will be needed to approve this contract at a later date.
- An application for T. Henslee was presented for approval – livestock exclusion. Alston moved, seconded by Macon, the board voted unanimously to accept this application.
- K. Whitaker reported that the following Request for Payments have been signed by the chairman prior to the board meeting: Contract #'s – 76-12-05-02 for \$2,457, 76-12-04-02 for \$5,987, and 76-13-05-02 for \$16,024

K. Whitaker gave the High Rock Lake Project Report as follows:

- A Request for Payment for contract # 76-11-05-16 in the amount of \$26,681 was presented for approval. Alston moved, seconded by S. Whitaker, the board voted unanimously to approve this RFP.
- Discussion was had regarding an additional drinker for contract # 76-11-05-16. No action on modifying this contract was taken.

K. Whitaker gave the AgWRAP Report as follows:

- S. Whitaker moved, seconded by Alston, the board voted unanimously to accept an application for W. Hicks for a well or pond.

K. Whitaker gave the CREP Report as follows:

- Discussion was had regarding a possible repair contract for stream crossing blowouts. The landowner has been advised to contact FSA after May 13, 2013 once CREP funds are released.
- A Request for Payment for contract #76-10-304-16 in the amount of \$744 was presented. Alston moved, seconded by S. Whitaker, the board voted unanimously to approve this RFP.

K. Whitaker presented a conservation plan for T. Henslee for approval. Alston moved, seconded by Macon, the board voted unanimously to approve this conservation plan.

K. Whitaker reported that Rockin' B Farm' Conservation Farm Family sign is ready. It will be placed on their farm in the near future.

An announcement regarding "Request for Proposals – On-Farm Water Resource Projects: was shared with the board. The deadline for submitting proposals is June 21, 2013.

Whitaker and/or Hicks will try and plan to attend the Cattelman's Association Meeting tomorrow night at Golden Corral.

A notice from Pat Harris was shared with the supervisors regarding supervisor funds nearing depletion. Based on their current projections, the division will be able to honor travel reimbursement requests received by April 30, 2013.

The Technical Assistance Survey is due May 15, 2013. It was decided to send in each survey individually completed. Staff will mail them in.

The following Informational Items were presented:

-ENOTES – NACD

-Area 3 Report & Calendar by Weitzel

NCDA&CS April 2013 Newsletter

SWC Commission Meeting & Tour Notice for May 14-15, 2013

Cultural Awareness Day ~ June 27, 2013

The meeting adjourned at 10:30 a.m.

Chairman Signature

Date of Approved Minutes

The Next Board Meeting will be June 12, 2013 at 7:30 a.m.
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