

# **BOARD MINUTES**

## **RANDOLPH COUNTY SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT Asheboro, North Carolina**

**November 13, 2013**

**Meeting Number 13**

### **Supervisors Present:**

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

### **Others Present:**

Jenny Parks, Adm. Sec.  
Kelly Whitaker, S&W Engineer  
Wes Hicks, S&W Technician  
Kirsten Frazier, Guest  
Randy Blackwood, NRCS  
Ralston James, NCDACS  
Crystal Cockman  
Joan Howard, NRCS

Frazier called the meeting to order at 7:44 a.m. Supervisor travel vouchers were signed and returned.

Staff Calendars and Timesheets were given to supervisors at this time. S. Whitaker moved, seconded by Canoy, the board voted unanimously to accept the Consent Agenda which included Staff Calendars and Timesheets.

### **ACTION ITEMS:**

Minutes from the September 2013 regular meeting were reviewed and corrections were made. S. Whitaker moved, seconded by Macon, the board voted unanimously to approve these minutes with the corrections.

The Treasurer's Report was presented. Alston moved, seconded by Canoy, the board voted unanimously to accept the Treasurer's Reports.

S. Whitaker moved, seconded by Alston, the board voted unanimously to pay the \$775 NACD Membership Dues.

The NRCS Report was given as follows by Blackwood:

- Blackwood introduced Joan Howard, NRCS Area 2 Conservationist.
- Howard informed the board that there would be EQIP training coming up soon, and NRCS is working on team building relationships with their partners and trying to get some consistency across the state in all offices.
- Howard shared a brochure of "Friends of Wake" with the board and staff as an idea of fundraising for our district.

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

- Alston reported that the 11/15 Board Meeting was canceled.
- Alston reported that RC&D was working on the Smitherman Dam Project in Montgomery County.

Parks gave the Education Report as follows for September and October:

- Parks and K. Whitaker presented the Sammy Soil Saver Puppet Show and four Enviroscape presentations to the entire kindergarten at Randleman Elementary School.
- Parks and K. Whitaker attended the Area 3 Education Committee Meeting in Alamance SWCD.
- Parks and K. Whitaker attended the CET in Kill Devil Hills, NC.
- Parks, K. Whitaker, and Hicks attended the Farm Family Celebration in Alamance County.
- Parks and K. Whitaker attended the Water Task Force Sub Committee Meeting in Asheboro.

K. Whitaker gave the NCACSP Report as follows:

- K. Whitaker presented contract #76-14-005SU for \$1,233 heavy use area and a Request for Payment. Alston moved, seconded by S. Whitaker the board voted unanimously to approve the contract and the RFP for contract #76-14-005SU.
- K. Whitaker presented a Request for Payment for contract #76-13-06 for \$1,543 for fencing - S. Whitaker moved, seconded by Macon, the board voted unanimously to approve this RFP.
- K. Whitaker shared with the board that an RFP was signed outside the board meeting for contract #76-12-05 for \$1,121.

K. Whitaker gave the CCAP Report as follows:

- K. Whitaker gave a brief update on our CCAP Applications.

K. Whitaker gave the Quilt Trail Report as follows:

- K. Whitaker presented an application for the Quilt Trail. This is an existing quilt square and the land owners have asked to be placed on the quilt trail. S. Whitaker moved, seconded by Canoy, the board voted unanimously to approve this quilt square and place it on the quilt trail.

K. Whitaker gave the AgWRAP Report as follows:

- K. Whitaker reported the following regarding the upcoming funding for AgWRAP:

- 1) No wells this year
- 2) Applications will compete regionally (\$145,000 per region)
- 3) Added base flow interceptor, BMP – streamside pickup
- 4) Applications are to be submitted to the state by 1/31/14

-Discussion was had on the four applications on hand. One of the four was submitted AFTER the May cutoff. S. Whitaker moved, seconded by Alston, the board voted unanimously to not include the application (for pond and/or sediment removal) that was submitted AFTER the May cutoff in this batch due to the deadline.

Crystal Cockman with LandTrust for Central North Carolina presented an easement application for Uwharrie Ridge Farm to the board for Randolph SWCD to possibly submit for funding with ADFP. The ADFP deadline for submittal is 12/15/13. Canoy moved, seconded by S. Whitaker, the board voted unanimously for staff to look into this item with the county attorney to see if it's appropriate for our district to submit an application for an easement and to see if stewardship funds should be held.

K. Whitaker shared with the board information regarding our GPS repair. The cost for the company to look at the unit is \$162. It was decided to postpone sending off the unit and staff to look into acquiring a survey unit – total station.

A brief discussion was had regarding the NCACSP Program Review. James covered briefly. There were two commendations given: 1) efficient tracking of milestones and contract dates 2) and supervisor involvement in spot checks. There were also two recommendations given to staff: 1) the district should

communicate with NRCS to conduct spot checks on lands owned or operated by district, county, division, or NRCS employee or supervisor, and 2) the district should take more field and check out notes as well as record more detailed information regarding phone calls and other conversations with cooperators.

Parks presented the NCASWCD Annual Meeting packet to supervisors. Registrations with payment are due December 8, 2013. Must register online by December 1<sup>st</sup> and payment must be submitted by December 8<sup>th</sup>.

A letter from the NCASWCD Auxiliary President was shared with the board. This letter was an invite to join the Auxiliary and their activities at the Annual Meeting in January.

The Farmer's Appreciation Dinner will be held on March 29, 2014 at Randleman High School (waiting on confirmation) and the Livestock Association has agreed to cook again this year for this event.

S. Whitaker moved, seconded by Macon, the board voted unanimously to move the December Board Meeting to Tuesday, December 10, 2013 at 6:00 p.m. to address: 2039 Old Humble Mill Road, Asheboro, NC 27205. This will also be Randolph SWCD Annual Christmas Dinner following the Board Meeting.

The following Informational Items were presented:

-ENOTES – NACD

-Area 3 Reports & Calendars by Ralston James and Steve Bennett

The meeting adjourned at 9:45 a.m.

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**Chairman Signature**

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**Date of Approved Minutes**

The Next Board Meeting will be December 10, 2013, 2013 at 7:30 a.m.  
2049 Old Humble Mill Road, Asheboro, NC 27205