

BOARD MINUTES

RANDOLPH COUNTY SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

Asheboro, North Carolina

December 4, 2007

Supervisors Present:

Craig Frazier, Chairman
Richard Canoy, Secretary
Bill Alston, Vice Chairman
Amy Hughes, Treasurer

Others Present:

Randy Blackwood, DC
Jenny Parks, Adm. Sec.
Kelly Whitaker, S&W Engineer

The meeting was called to order at 6:20 p.m. Frazier welcomed everyone to the meeting. Travel vouchers were signed and returned.

ACTION ITEMS:

The November 2007 Minutes were discussed and corrections were made. Alston moved, seconded by Canoy, the board voted unanimously to approve the minutes with the corrections made.

The November 28, 2007 Minutes were reviewed and corrections were made. Hughes moved, seconded by Alston, the board voted unanimously to accept the minutes of November 28, 2007.

Hughes moved, seconded by Hayes, the board voted unanimously to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented. A copy is attached to these minutes.

Blackwood gave the NRCS Report as follows:

-Blackwood discussed the EQIP ranking for this year. Randolph County has received an allocation of \$450,000 in EQIP.

Alston gave the RC&D Report as follows:

-Alston reported that they have hired a new coordinator, Julie Elmore, who was at the November RSWCD Meeting.

-The Piedmont Conservation Council RC&D has banned the mulch program in Alamance County.

-Alston reported of the possibility of Julie speaking at the February Randolph County Commissioner's Meeting.

Whitaker gave the NCACSP Report as follows:

-Whitaker presented a NCACSP Application for Brent Scarlett for a livestock exclusion system.

Hughes moved, seconded by Canoy, the board voted unanimously to approve the application for Brent Scarlett.

-Whitaker presented a NCACSP Application for Eric Foust for waste storage structure and incinerator or composter. Hughes moved, seconded by Canoy, the board voted unanimously to approve the application for Eric Foust.

-Whitaker presented contract supplement #76-08-03-02SU for Jackie Smith in the amount of \$2,090 for additional grading and concrete for his WSS contract. Alston moved, seconded by Canoy, the board voted unanimously to approve the contract supplement for Jackie Smith.

-Discussion was had regarding contract overages and circumstances that surround them. Alston moved, seconded by Canoy, the board voted unanimously to only pay the calculated amount of the contract unless the circumstances that will require additional funds are approved by the staff and/or board of supervisors in advance.

-Whitaker presented WSS/Composter contract #76-08-02-02 for Kent Atkinson in the amount of \$27,631 for approval and signatures. Hughes moved, seconded by Canoy, the board voted unanimously to approve the contract for Kent Atkinson.

-Whitaker reported that there was approximately \$24,000 remaining in the NCACSP allocation. Approximately six thousand dollars are needed to complete a contract for the next applicant on this list. Frazier recommended asking the Soil & Water Commission for additional funding to complete the next contract.

-Discussion was had regarding the reason that new applications have to be signed by the producer when executing contract documents. This is a question for the Soil and Water Commission.

-Whitaker discussed the following extension requests – Frank Macon and Ronnie Kidd. Alston moved, seconded by Hughes, the board voted unanimously to approve a six month extension of the contracts as long as the producers spend 1/3 of the cost share contracted amount by February 24, 2008.

-Blackwood reported that Joe Hudyncia will be returning to the office next week. He will be traveling to Rockingham County several days a week as well.

Whitaker reported on EEP as follows:

-All construction costs and technical services billed by the District to NC EEP for the Sandy Creek and Meredell projects have been paid to the County.

-The Division of Soil & Water has entered into a blanket contract with EEP, creating a program similar in nature to NCACSP. The District will have an opportunity to participate in this program if they so choose. Once the County's attorney has reviewed the contract, Whitaker will present the contract and program to the Board for their consideration.

Frazier reported that the new Director for NCDENR is Pat Harris. Harris is a veteran environmental engineer with the NC Division of Soil and Water Conservation and began her duties December 1, 2007.

Parks reminded those that plan on attending the Annual Meeting in January need to make their arrangements ASAP.

The board decided to meet in the lobby of the Grove Park Inn on Sunday, January 6, 2008 at 5:00 p.m. to discuss the resolutions that will be voted on during the annual meeting.

Frazier shared the NACD Capitol Campaign to raise funds to renovate their building in Washington, DC. The board took no action on this item at this time. This item will be discussed during the January Board Meeting.

At this time the board voted on the Soil and Water Conservation Poster Contest. The winners are as follows:

5th Grade

First Place - Meagan Locke, Seagrove Elementary
Second Place - Kelsey Ebanks, Southmont Elementary
Third Place - Emma Cole, Farmer School
Honorable Mention - Taylor Lunsford, Farmer School

4th Grade

First Place - Erin Powers, Southmont Elementary
Second Place - Becka Luck, Seagrove Elementary

3rd Grade

First Place - Jessica Hardison, Southmont Elementary
Second Place - Desi Trogdon, Seagrove Elementary

The following consent items were approved:

-ENOTES – NACD (11/6/07, 11/13/07, 11/20/07, 11/27/07)

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

Chairman Signature

Date of Approved Minutes

The Next Regularly Scheduled Board Meeting will be January 14, 2008 at 7:30 a.m.
241 Sunset Avenue
Asheboro, NC 27203