

BOARD MINUTES

RANDOLPH COUNTY SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

Asheboro, North Carolina

May 12, 2008

Supervisors Present:

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

Others Present:

Don Redmon, NRCS
Jenny Parks, Adm. Sec.
Kelly Whitaker, S&W Engineer

The meeting was called to order at 7:35 a.m. Frazier welcomed everyone to the meeting. Travel vouchers were signed and returned.

ACTION ITEMS:

The April 14, 2008 Minutes were discussed and corrections were made. Alston moved, seconded by Canoy, the board voted unanimously to approve the minutes with the corrections made.

Parks reported that the Treasurer's Report will be presented at the June Meeting.

There was no NRCS Report at this time.

Alston gave the RC&D Report as follows:

- Alston reported that their program review was held last week.
- Alston asked the Randolph SWCD to think about projects they would like to see in Randolph County that RC&D could possibly assist with.

Whitaker gave the NCACSP Report as follows:

- Whitaker presented a contract for Nick Craven. Canoy moved, seconded by Alston, the board voted unanimously to approve the contract.
- Whitaker presented a supplemental contract for Kent Atkinson for approval. Canoy moved, seconded by Alston, the board voted unanimously to approve the supplemental contract.
- Whitaker reported that there were 4 remaining spot checks to complete.
- Whitaker reported that she has sent in a letter regarding spot checks and how often they should be completed.

Whitaker reported on the Drought Recovery Program.

- There are 60 applications on hand to be approved.
- Alston moved, seconded by Canoy the board approved the following 57 drought applications:

Frazier turned the meeting over to Alston.

- Whitaker presented applications for McCain and Frazier. Alston moved, seconded by Canoy, with Frazier abstaining, the board voted unanimously to approve these 2 applications.

Alston turned the meeting back over to Frazier.

- Whitaker presented an application for Jackie Canoy. Hughes moved, seconded by Alston, with Canoy abstaining, the board voted unanimously to approve the application.

-Discussion was had regarding the cost share rate for the drought sign-up. Hughes moved, seconded by Alston, followed by discussion, the board voted unanimously to approve 50% cost share on all drought response contracts.

-Whitaker presented a Drought Relief Prioritization Worksheets for review. Hughes moved, seconded by Canoy, the board voted unanimously to use the forms presented for the drought relief program.

Whitaker gave the Community Conservation Report as follows:

-Hughes moved, seconded by Alston, the board voted unanimously to approve a Community Conservation Contract for the City of Randleman and the City of Asheboro for pet waste receptacles.

-Whitaker reported that there were several \$\$ left over from the Community Conservation pet waste receptacle grant. Hughes moved, seconded by Alston, the board voted unanimously to advertise the remaining funds in the local newspapers.

-Discussion was had regarding the cost share rate for the Community Conservation Program. Hughes moved, seconded by Canoy, the board voted unanimously to keep the cost share rate at 75%.

-Whitaker presented the CCAP Ranking Sheet for review. Hughes moved, seconded by Canoy, after discussion, the board voted unanimously to approve the CCAP Ranking Sheet as presented.

-Whitaker reported on the Septic System Repair funding grant. There have been no applicants thus far.

-Whitaker presented the Request to provide service to the NC CREP State Incentive Program to the board. This request has been sent in.

Whitaker reported on EEP as follows:

-Whitaker reported on the following EEP Projects:

→Royals – This project is still on hold because of EEP.

→Sumner – Whitaker is waiting on an electrical estimate before she can complete this Scope of Work.

→Meredell – Whitaker is waiting on EEP to answer questions about fencing prices.

→McCain – Whitaker is waiting on an electrical estimate before she can complete this Scope of Work.

Frazier reported that the County Commissioner's Budget Meeting will be held on Monday, June 9th at 5:30 p.m. in the Commissioner's Meeting Room. Supervisors were encouraged to attend. We will be asking for a new position and support will be needed. The district will be displaying a slide show stating our case.

Frazier shared a letter with the board regarding computer costs for the districts. ITS is the agency that provides computer services to NRCS, RD, and FSA. East agency provides funds to ITS to reimburse for the services provided. Beginning in FY 2009 ITS will implement a per seat cost for reimbursement of services. A per seat cost is a fixed rate that each agency will pay for each computer connected to the USDA network. NRCS plans to pay the per seat cost for partner computers presently connected to the USDA network. If a partner agency wishes to add more computers to the network, then the partner agency may need to pay the per seat cost.

It was reported that Frazier was up for re-appointment and Hughes was up for re-election to the Board of Supervisors. Hughes has expressed outside the board meeting that she will not be running for the position this year. Alston moved, seconded by Hayes, the board voted unanimously to submit Craig Frazier for re-appointment.

The RSWCD office will be relocating soon. The new address will be 2222-A South Fayetteville Street, Asheboro, NC 27205.

Canoy moved, seconded by Alston, the board voted unanimously to approve for one participant to attend the 26th Annual Fir, Fish, 'n Game Rendezvous June 22-27, 2008 at Millstone 4-H Center.

Alston moved, seconded by Canoy, the board voted unanimously to subscribe to the Courier Tribune and the Randolph Guide Newspapers.

The following consent items were approved:
ENOTES – NACD (4/15/08, 4/22/08, 4/29/08)

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 9:45 a.m.

Chairman Signature

Date of Approved Minutes

The Next Regularly Scheduled Board Meeting will be June 9, 2008 at 7:30 a.m.
241 Sunset Avenue
Asheboro, NC 27203