Minutes Forsyth Soil and Water Conservation District Board Meeting August 8, 2016

The Forsyth SWCD Board met at 5:00 p.m. on August 8, 2016 in the Forsyth County Agriculture Building, Room 11.

Present: Wes Schollander, Vice Chair Ed Wall, Secretary-Treasurer Beth Tucker, Member James Knox, Member Mike Bowman, Soil & Water Conservationist Jerry Dorsett, Soil & Water Conservationist Dede DeBruhl, Soil Conservationist

Call to Order

Wes Schollander called the meeting to order at 5:00.

Minutes/Financial Report

Minutes of the regular session of the SWCD Board meeting on July 11, 2016 was reviewed and approved as presented.

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

Division of Soil & Water

Rob Baldwin submitted a report on Commission actions and upcoming Division and Association activities. The board members were reminded of the upcoming elections for the Commission and the Association.

Forsyth County

Mark Tucker is attending the Forsyth County Board of Commissioners meeting at which the Farmland Protection Plan is to be voted upon.

NRCS

Dede reported on the progress of EQIP. She discussed the status review process and also stated that the annual reports on the FPP properties had been conducted.

NC Agriculture Cost Share Program

An application was presented from Darron Southern for Heavy Use Area Protection. Beth Tucker made a motion for approval. The motion was seconded by Ed Wall and it was passed unanimously. The contract for Darron Southern in the amount of \$1,217 for CPO 34-2017-003 was presented. A motion for approval was made by Beth Tucker and seconded by Ed Wall. The motion was passed unanimously.

An application was presented from Tommy Reed for Cover Crop. James Knox made a motion for approval. The motion was seconded by Ed Wall and it was passed unanimously. The contract for Tommy Reed in the amount of \$2,052 for CPO 34-2017-002 was presented. A motion for approval was made by James Knox and seconded by Ed Wall. The motion was passed unanimously.

An application was presented from Mark Nicholson for an AgWrap Well. Beth Tucker made a motion for approval. The motion was seconded by James Knox and it was passed unanimously. The contract for Mark Nicholson in the amount of \$12,602 for CPO 34-2017-801 was presented. A motion for approval was made by Beth Tucker and seconded by James Knox. The motion was passed unanimously.

Old Business

The board reviewed the BMP Fund Audit. Beth Tucker made a motion for approval. The motion was seconded by James Knox and the motion was passed unanimously.

A request for support of the Northwest Envirothon was discussed by the board. Ed Wall made a motion to contribute \$200. The motion was seconded by Beth Tucker and was passed unanimously.

The board members discussed a resolution proposing to leave the Envirothon rules concerning team qualification for state competition the same. Beth Tucker made a motion to adopt the resolution. The motion was seconded by James Knox and was passed unanimously.

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

The next meeting date:

September 12, 2016 at 5:00 p.m. Forsyth County Agriculture Building, Room 11

Respectfully submitted,

Recording

Secretary

Chair, Forsyth SWCD

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