Minutes Forsyth Soil and Water Conservation District Board Meeting September 12, 2016

The Forsyth SWCD Board met at 5:00 p.m. on September 12, 2016 in the Forsyth County Agriculture Building, Room 11.

Present: Toby Bost, Chair

Wes Schollander, Vice Chair Beth Tucker, Member James Knox, Member Mike Bowman, Soil & Water Conservationist Jerry Dorsett, Soil & Water Conservationist Jerome Young Mick Scott

Call to Order

Toby Bost called the meeting to order at 5:00.

Minutes/Financial Report

Minutes of the regular session of the SWCD Board meeting on August 8, 2016 were 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 pertaining to the new legislation regarding supervisor training requirements.

Forsyth County

Mark Tucker sent a report concerning the Farm City Banquet, which will be held on Wednesday, November 2. He also reminded the board that Heritage days will be held on October 11, 12, and 28. The "Nickels for Know-How Referendum" will be held on November 1.

NRCS

Dede sent a report on the progress of EQIP. She was unable to attend the meeting due to approaching deadlines.

NC Agriculture Cost Share Program

An application was presented from Mike Westmoreland for Abandoned Well closure. Beth Tucker made a motion for approval. The motion was seconded by James Knox and it was passed unanimously. The contract for Mike Westmoreland in the amount of \$1,500 for CPO 34-2017-005 was presented. A motion for approval was made by Beth Tucker and seconded by James Knox. The motion was passed unanimously.

An application was presented from Kent Layher for Sod Based Rotation. James Knox made a motion for approval. The motion was seconded by Wes Schollander and it was passed unanimously. The contract for Kent Layner in the amount of \$3,500 for CPO 34-2017-004 was presented. A motion for approval was made by James Knox and seconded by Wes Schollander. The motion was passed unanimously.

An application was presented from Justin Strickland for a Stream Protection System. James Knox made a motion for approval. The motion was seconded by Beth Tucker and it was passed unanimously. The contract for Justin Strickland in the amount of \$36,035 for CPO 34-2017-001 was presented. A motion for approval was made by James Knox and seconded by Beth Tucker. The motion was passed unanimously.

New Business

The board discussed the opportunity to nominate a board member for the Commission. Wes Schollander made a motion to nominate Toby Bost. The motion was seconded by Beth Tucker and the motion was passed unanimously, with Toby Bost abstaining.

A request for support of the Food, Land, and People was discussed by the board. James Knox made a motion to contribute \$100. The motion was seconded by Wes Schollander and was passed unanimously.

The board members discussed a resolution proposing to leave the Envirothon rules concerning team qualification for state competition the same. James Knox made a motion to rescind the resolution adopted last month. The motion was seconded by Wes Schollander and was passed unanimously.

James Knox made a motion to pre-order 350 planners for 2018. Wes Schollander seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.

Beth Tucker made a motion to apply for the Matching Funds. James Knox seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.

Jerome Young reported on his experience and activities at the Resource Conservation Workshop.

Adjourn

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

The next meeting date:

October 10, 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