Minutes Forsyth Soil and Water Conservation District Board Meeting August 10, 2020

The Forsyth SWCD Board met on August 10, 2020 by teleconference.

Present: Toby Bost, Chair

Wes Schollander, Vice Chair Tim Disher, District Supervisor Jordan Jones, District Supervisor Kim Gressley, Extension Director

Mike Bowman, Soil & Water Conservationist Jerry Dorsett, Soil & Water Conservationist Rick McSwain, Regional Coordinator

Call to Order

Toby Bost called the meeting to order at 12:10 pm.

The State Government Ethics Act mandates that at the beginning of any meeting the Chair reminds all the members of their duty to avoid conflicts of interest and inquire as to whether any member knows of any conflict of interest or potential conflict with respect to matters to come before the Commission. If any member knows of a conflict of interest or potential conflict, please state so at this time.

Minutes/Financial Report

Minutes of the regular session of the SWCD Board meeting on July 20, 2020 were reviewed and approved by unanimous consent.

The financial report of the SWCD was reviewed and approved by unanimous consent.

Forsyth County

Kim Gressley discussed the Covid updates with the board members and how workloads have been impacted. She reviewed the guidelines developed concerning the reopening of the building to the public. Outreach efforts concerning Farm City are in the early planning stages and will be virtual this year.

DSWC

Rick McSwain informed the board members that the NC Farm Act was signed into law, and there are some clarification issues with both the JAA and the confidentiality portions. There are several virtual meetings coming up such as CET, EWP, Local Work Group, and the Area 2 Fall meeting. He alerted the group to be aware of potential spam emails designed to appear as though they originated within the Division of Soil & Water.

NC Agriculture Cost Share Program

A request for payment was presented from Martha Osbeck for CPO 34-2020-001 in the amount of \$3,483. Tim Disher made a motion for approval. The motion was seconded by Wes Schollander and was passed unanimously.

Old Business

Tim Disher made a motion to purchase batteries for the office camera and have the camera repaired if batteries did not solve the issue. Jordan Jones seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 12:40 p.m.

The next meeting date:

September 14, 2020 at NOON by teleconference

	Respectfully submitted, Recording Secretary
Chair, Forsyth SWCD	

cc: NCDA&CS: Division of Soil and Water Rick McSwain, Regional Coordinator