# Minutes Forsyth Soil and Water Conservation District Board Meeting August 8, 2017

The Forsyth SWCD Board met at 9:00 a.m. on August 8, 2017 in the Forsyth County Agriculture Building, Room 106.

Present: Toby Bost, Chair

Wes Schollander, Vice Chair

Tim Disher, Member

Mike Bowman, Soil & Water Conservationist Jerry Dorsett, Soil & Water Conservationist

Dede DeBruhl, Soil Conservationist

#### Call to Order

Toby Bost called the meeting to order at 9:00.

#### **Minutes/Financial Report**

Minutes of the regular session of the SWCD Board meetings on June 13, 2017 were reviewed and approved as presented.

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

#### **Division of Soil & Water**

Davis Ferguson sent a report discussing topics such as the Commission actions pertaining to the cost share programs, Disaster Recovery Program, Supervisor Training Committee, Association updates, CET, and Foundation activities.

## **Forsyth County**

Will Strader sent word that the hiring process for a new director is well underway and the candidates have been interviewed.

## **NRCS**

Dede is working on EQIP contracts. Compliance reviews are complete and Watershed inspections will be coming up in the next few weeks. She reminded the board that a local work group meeting will be held after the board meeting.

## **NC Agriculture Cost Share Program**

An application was presented from David Mecum for Abandoned Well Closure. Tim Disher made a motion for approval. The motion was seconded by Wes Schollander and it was passed unanimously. The contract for David Mecum in the amount of \$975 for CPO 34-2018-001 was presented. A motion for approval was made by Tim Disher and seconded by Wes Schollander. The motion was passed unanimously.

An application was presented from Steve Myers for Cropland Conversion. Tim Disher made a motion for approval. The motion was seconded by Wes Schollander and it was passed unanimously. The contract for Steve Myers in the amount of \$2,970 for CPO 34-2018-002 was presented. A motion for approval was made by Tim Disher and seconded by Wes Schollander. The motion was passed unanimously.

A request for payment was presented from Mark Nicholson for CPO 34-2017-801 in the amount of \$10,494. Tim Disher made a motion for approval. The motion was seconded by Wes Schollander and was passed unanimously.

# **New Business**

Wes Schollander made a motion to donate the use of the drill up to 10 acres for a fundraiser being held by the Yadkin Valley Quail and Upland Wildlife Federation. Tim Disher seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.

Jerry Dorsett informed the board about the grant opportunity available through the Foundation called "Improving Pasture Management Program". Tim Disher made a motion to apply for a no till drill through the program. Wes Schollander seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.

Jerry Dorsett presented a report from the RCW student outlining the event highlights and thanking the board for the support.

## Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 10:15 a.m.

# The next meeting date:

September 12, 2017 at 9:00 a.m. Forsyth County Agriculture Building, Room 106

Respectfully submitted,
Recording Secretary

Chairman, Forsyth SWCD

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