Minutes

Forsyth Soil and Water Conservation District Board Meeting

February 10, 2005

The Forsyth SWCD Board met in regular session at 8:35 a.m. on Thursday, February 10, 2005 in the Library at the Forsyth County Agriculture Bldg. The meeting was called to order by Grover McPherson, Vice-Chairman

Present: Grover McPherson, Vice-Chairman Ed Wall, Secretary/Treasurer Wes Schollander, Member Randy Blackwood, District Conservationist Christine Collins, Office Assistant Mark Tucker, County Extension Director

1. Minutes/Financial Report

- A. Minutes of the regular session of the SWCD for January were reviewed and approved as written.
- B. Financial Report for SWCD Board was reviewed and approved as presented.
- C. Board agreed to move March Meeting to March 03, 2005 due to Area 2 Spring Meeting being same date as regular Board Meeting.

2. Natural Resources Conservation Service

- A. Randy Blackwood updated Board on applications for EQIP contracts.
 - a) Tony Church Well, Livestock Exclusion, Heavy Use Areas, Watering Facilities
 - b) David Chappell Pasture and Hayland Planting
 - c) Edgar Miller Stock Trail, Access Road, Heavy Use Area
 - d) Kerry Venable Access Road, Crossing, Stream Stabilization

3. Cost Share Program Report

- A. Randy Blackwood presented contracts for approval. Contract for Ed Wall was tabled due to lack of quorum.
 - a) Kerry Venable (34-05-08-12) \$259.00 Motion made by Ed Wall, Second by Wes Schollander, approved unanimously.
 - b) W.C. Idol (34-05-12-16) \$7500 Motion made by Wes Schollander, Second by Ed Wall, approved unanimously.
 - c) Developing contract for Bill Wetherall for Critical Area, Cropland Conversion.
- B. Grover McPherson advised Randy Blackwood that request for allocation of additional funds needs to be made prior to the Commission Meeting March 2005 so that it may be put on the agenda. Grover advised that a new procedure will be used next year on all allocations so showing additional funding used will help in this allocation.

4. Farmland Preservation

A. Randy Blackwood advised Board of the Annual compliance review of 25% of properties saying that Mike Bowman has that report. Comment was made by Grover McPherson that the Board was to make certain by site visits that the compliance agreement is kept.

5. Old Business

- A. Randy Blackwood reported to the Board the current situation for storing Filter Cloth with the option to store the Filter Cloth at the old Lowe's building dock off Liberty Street. The Board agreed to keep some cloth stored in current location in the Agriculture Bldg. and to store future shipments at the Lowe's Bldg. Board would like Randy to inquire of possibly adding some type of cage area for security purposes.
- B. Danny Nelson return receipt has not been received from the Post Office.

6. New Business

A. Area 2 Spring Meeting – Attendees
Grover McPherson
Ed Wall
Wes Schollander – Will get back to us after checking calendar
Randy Blackwood – Board approved attendance
Christine Collins – Board approved attendance

Adjourn

The next meeting date:

March 03, 2005 The Forsyth County Agriculture Building

Respectfully submitted,
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Recording Secretary

Chairman, Forsyth SWCD

cc: NCDENR: Division of Soil and Water Steve Ferguson, DSWC Area 2 Coordinator Mike Sugg, Assistant State Conservationist Ron Graham, Deputy Manager