

Minutes
Forsyth Soil and Water Conservation District Board Meeting
November 8, 2021

The Forsyth SWCD Board met on November 8, 2021 in Room 106 of the Forsyth County Agriculture Building.

Present: Toby Bost, Chair
Wes Schollander, Vice Chair
Beth Tucker, Secretary/Treasurer
Neal Dagenhart, District Supervisor
Jordan Jones, District Supervisor
Kim Gressley, Extension Director
Mike Bowman, Soil & Water Conservationist
Roger Toledo, NRCS
Emily Broadbent, NRCS
Kaitlyn Markey, NRCS
Brian Murphy
Katie Murphy

Call to Order

Toby Bost called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

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 Board. 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 October 18, 2021 were reviewed and approved by unanimous consent. The financial report of the SWCD was reviewed and approved by unanimous consent.

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Kim Gressley reviewed the results of the Farm City luncheon. She also discussed the details and process of the job posting for a part time Soil & Water Conservationist. The board members were updated on the specifics of the proposed new Agriculture Building.

DSWC

Rick McSwain sent a report summarizing the upcoming Division deadlines of various items. Association updates were included, as well as new information concerning NRCS. Highlights from the Foundation were included, and conservation news items from around the state were mentioned.

NRCS

Roger Toledo introduced two new employees who will be working in Forsyth County one or two days a week. He gave the board an update on new EQIP applications and the status of the current EQIP contracts that are being serviced.

NC Agriculture Cost Share Program

A request for payment was presented from John Adams for CPO 34-2022-003 in the amount of \$839. Wes Schollander made a motion for approval. The motion was seconded by Beth Tucker and was passed unanimously.

A request for payment was presented from Samuel Evans for CPO 34-2021-003 in the amount of \$1,500. Neal Dagenhart made a motion for approval. The motion was seconded by Wes Schollander and it was passed unanimously.

Beth Tucker made a motion to cancel CPO 34-2022-001. Neal Dagenhart seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.

New Business

Brian and Katie spoke to the board about their property that is currently enrolled in the Farmland Preservation Program. They wanted clarification concerning the potential to construct a home. After some discussion, the item was tabled.

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 11:05 a.m.

The next meeting date:

December 13, 2021 at 9:30 a.m.
Forsyth County Agriculture Building

Respectfully submitted,

Recording Secretary

Chair, Forsyth SWCD

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