

Minutes
Forsyth Soil and Water Conservation District Board Meeting
November 5, 2009

The Forsyth SWCD Board met at 9:00 a.m. on Thursday, November 5, 2009 in the Forsyth County Agriculture Building Library. The meeting was called to order by Grover McPherson, Chairman.

Grover McPherson, Chairman
Ed Wall, Secretary-Treasurer
Steven Anderson, Member
Beth Tucker, Member
Mark Tucker, Director Cooperative Extension
Mike Bowman, Soil & Water Conservationist
Linda Birdsong, Community Conservation Coordinator
Dede DeBruhl, District Conservationist

Minutes/Financial Report

Minutes of the regular session of the SWCD Board meeting on October 15, 2009 were reviewed. The minutes were approved as presented.

The Financial Report of the SWCD Board was reviewed. The item was approved as presented.

Forsyth County

Mark Tucker reported that the Farm City Banquet will be held November 17th at the Dixie Classic Fair Home and Garden Building. The banquet menu will highlight locally grown foods. Toby Bost will present the Farm Family award.

Natural Resources Conservation Service

Dede discussed the fiscal year 2010 program guidance for EQIP. The Forsyth/Stokes work unit will receive an allocation for the cropland, pastureland and animal headquarters ranking pools. Other pools will be ranked statewide or areawide. She reviewed the Local Work Group (LWG) process and responsibilities. The board discussed holding joint or separate LWG meetings. Dede said she would discuss with the Stokes SWCD at the board meeting next week and get their opinion. She will provide more information (including a list of sample questions and resource concerns) to the board members once the logistics have been finalized.

Division of Soil and Water Conservation

Grover McPherson gave an update on the NCASWCD directorship and the development of a new strategic plan. All Districts have been requested to complete a survey to assist with the development of a strategic plan and must be submitted by November 9th, 2009.

NC Agricultural Cost Share

Request for Payments

A request for payment was presented from Rodney Poindexter for CPO 34-10-09-12 in the amount of \$1,225. Ed Wall made a motion for approval. The motion was seconded by Beth Tucker and was passed unanimously.

A request for payment was presented from Robert Poindexter for CPO 34-10-08-12 in the amount of \$613. Ed Wall made a motion for approval. The motion was seconded by Beth Tucker and was passed unanimously.

A request for payment was presented from Johnnie Kapp for CPO 34-10-07-16 in the amount of \$1,050. Ed Wall made a motion for approval. The motion was seconded by Beth Tucker and was passed unanimously.

A request for payment was presented from Larry Whicker for CPO 34-10-10-16 in the amount of \$1,050. Ed Wall made a motion for approval. The motion was seconded by Beth Tucker and was passed unanimously.

A request for payment was presented from Brenda Johnson for CPO 34-10-03-12 in the amount of \$6,075. Ed Wall made a motion for approval. The motion was seconded by Beth Tucker and was passed unanimously.

CCAP

Request for Payment

A request for payment was presented from the Session of Lloyd Presbyterian Church for CPO 34-09-511-16 in the amount of \$1,273. Steve Anderson made a motion for approval. The motion was seconded by Beth Tucker and was passed unanimously.

FPP

Michael Jennings is seeking a special use permit for his property. He intends to board horses. A sight plan will be reviewed by the Board at the next meeting.

Old Business

Members were reminded of the December 1st registration deadline for the Annual Meeting.

New Business

The NCASWCD Executive Director Survey was completed by board members.

A Water Conservation Assistance Program Survey was completed by board members.

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 10:50 a.m.

The next meeting date:

December 14, 2009 at 8:30 a.m.

The Forsyth County Agriculture Building, Auditorium B

Respectfully submitted,

Recording Secretary

Chairman, Forsyth SWCD

cc: NCDENR: Division of Soil and Water
Michelle Lovejoy, Area 2 Coordinator
Kay Starns, NRCS Area 2 Secretary
Damon Sanders-Pratt, Deputy County Manager