

BOARD MINUTES

RANDOLPH COUNTY SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

Asheboro, North Carolina

April 14, 2010

Supervisors Present:

Craig Frazier, Chairman
Richard Canoy, Member
Shane Whitaker, Secretary

Others Present:

Jenny Parks, Adm. Sec.
Kelly Whitaker, S&W Engineer
Wes Hicks, S&W Technician
Randy Blackwood, DC NRCS
Sandra Weitzel, Area Coord.
Christine Vance, NRCS

The meeting was called to order at 7:40 a.m. by Frazier. Frazier welcomed everyone to the meeting. Travel vouchers were signed and returned.

ACTION ITEMS:

The March 2010 Minutes were reviewed and corrections were made Canoy moved, seconded by S. Whitaker, the board voted unanimously to accept the minutes.

Parks presented the Treasurer's Report. S. Whitaker moved, seconded by Canoy, the board voted unanimously to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented.

S. Whitaker moved, seconded by Canoy, the board voted unanimously to approve the payment of the NCASWCD Dues of \$613.

The Budget Meeting for the County will be Monday, June 14, 2010 at the County Office Building at 3:30 p.m. Parks shared the budget request with the board. The 2010-2011 Soil and Water Budget request shows the increase in salary and benefits for Hick's new position if it is passed by the County Commissioners. Canoy moved, seconded by S. Whitaker, the board voted unanimously to approve this budget request. Supervisor(s) will need to be present on June 14th to present the budget request to the County Commissioners.

Blackwood gave the NRCS Report as follows:

-Blackwood shared with the board that the new State Conservationist for North Carolina is J. B. Martin.

-Blackwood gave a brief EQIP report – the allocation for Randolph will be much less this year than years past.

It was reported that there will be an RC&D Council Meeting on Thursday, April 15, 2010.

K. Whitaker gave the NCACSP Report as follows:

-K. Whitaker presented a contract for Greg Smith, contract # 76-10-04-02, for and waste storage structure and an incinerator for approval. S. Whitaker moved, seconded by Canoy, the board voted unanimously to approve this contract.

-Discussion was had regarding horses being eligible for funding for agriculture cost share. K. Whitaker will seek further information from the State on this issue and will be discussed during the May Board Meeting.

-The following applications were presented for approval: Carnie Marley (waste storage structure/incinerator), Drew Deaton (well/drinker), Daniel Woodham (grassed waterways/field

borders), and Peggy Cox (waste storage structure). S. Whitaker moved, seconded by Canoy, the board voted unanimously to approve these applications.

-K. Whitaker reported that the Spot Checks had been completed with a few rechecks to be done.

K. Whitaker gave a report on the drought funds.

-K. Whitaker reported that one of the drought applicants has a contract for a well but the staff has been unable to reach him. His contract expired in March 2010. It was decided to have K. Whitaker mail this producer a certified letter with restricted delivery – meaning the producer has to physically sign for the letter.

-Canoy moved, seconded by S. Whitaker, the board voted unanimously to grant Mark Hayes a six month extension on his contract.

-K. Whitaker reported that the DE funds can be used for micro-irrigation. Currently there is \$26,950 remaining in DG funds and \$8,371 remaining in DE funds.

K. Whitaker gave the CCAP report as follows:

-K. Whitaker reported that she is waiting on a reply from Julie Henshaw regarding advertising funds for the 319 money requesting extension.

-Discussion was had regarding the RSWCD holding a rain barrel sale. The board decided unanimously to move forward with the rain barrel sale. Prices are unchanged - \$60 for the 55 gallon and \$90 for the 80 gallon.

-K. Whitaker reported that the CCAP Spot Checks need to be done.

K. Whitaker gave the CREP Report as follows:

-K. Whitaker presented contract # 76-10-304-16 CE for Alvin Meyers for approval. S. Whitaker moved, seconded by Canoy, the board voted unanimously to approve this CREP contract.

K. Whitaker presented conservation plans for Robin Redding and Mark Hayes to the board for approval. S. Whitaker moved, seconded by Canoy, the board voted unanimously to approve these conservation plans.

Discussion was had regarding staff mailing certified letters to producers with restricted delivery (it being that the letter can only be signed for by the person noted on the letter). The Postal Service charges an additional \$10 to mail a letter in this form, plus any other postage fees that apply. It was decided for staff to send any certified letters with restricted delivery as appropriate.

Each Supervisor was given the Association By-Laws and Articles as approved during the January 2010 Annual Meeting in January.

Parks presented information on the 2010 District Employees Workshop. It will be held in Waynesville on August 16-19, 2010. Pre-registration is \$95.

Frazier reported on the following items:

-The Association Executive Committee met on March 31, 2010.

-The Strategic Plan for the Association is almost complete.

-Pat Harris, Division Director, is going to attempt to partner with the Association on the Executive Director position for a possible three year commitment.

Sandra Weitzel reported on the following:

-The District Issues Committee will be meeting on June 30, 2010 in Siler City. If anyone has anything for this committee please let Weitzel or Kate Campau know.

-Weitzel reported that the Commission Report was now on the listserv.

The following consent items were approved:
-ENOTES – NACD

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 8:45 a.m.

Chairman Signature

Date of Approved Minutes

The Next Regularly Scheduled Board Meeting will be
April 14, 2010 at 7:30 a.m.
2222-A South Fayetteville Street
Asheboro, NC 27205