

GUILFORD SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

FY 2019 - 2020 Meeting Number 4; November 6, 2019 Minutes

Supervisors Present:

George Teague, Chairmen Harold Alexander, Vice Chairman Ray Briggs, Secretary/Treasurer Anna Amoriello, Member Josh Myers, Member Dan Kerns- Associate Supervisor

Others Present:

Millie Langley- Soil Conservationist
Jamey Walker – S & W Technician
Sean Trollinger- Education Coordinator
Leslie Bell – Director, Planning & Dev.
Harrison Wilkes- NRCS
Lee Holcomb- NRCS
Brent Bogue- NRCS
Molly Alexi- Guilford County Extension Director
Angela Dobbins- NRCS

The board meeting was called to order by Chairman, George Teague, at 9:05 a.m. He read the Conflict of Interest Statement and asked if there were any conflicts of interest; none were stated.

Agenda

Josh Myers moved to approve the agenda. Harold Alexander seconded. The motion carried.

Minutes

Josh Myers moved to approve the October 2nd, 2019 minutes Harold seconded. The motion carried.

Comments from the County

Leslie mentioned that one of our county engineers retired, and he was over the department that oversees "Creek Week", but he ensured that the event and activates will not be affected by this change in leadership. He also emphasized that budget preparations need to be taking place as the budget approval date is approaching.

NRCS

Lee Holcombe, the new Assistant State Conservationist for Field Operations for NC NRCS Area 2 came to introduce himself. He shared his background in soil and water, and wanted to discuss the upcoming hiring process for the new NRCS Team leader. He hopes this vacancy will be filled soon. Lee also wanted to remind everyone that we are still in the continuing resolution until the 21st of November.

<u>District Conservation Programs</u>

Jamey Walker presented the Cost Share Programs Update. We currently have four cost share contracts that need approval, and one request for payment that needs approval. The following contracts and payments need to be approved for 2020.

NC-ACSP Contracts to Approve:

41-2020-011 Cliff Cobb \$4,000 (II) Cover Crops

41-2020-014 Mike Faucette \$10,000 (FFR) Farm Road Repair

41-2020-015 Larry Spencer \$9,500 (FFR) Farm Road Repair

NC-AgWRAP Contracts to Approve:

41-2020-802 Johnny Brown \$7,050 Irrigation Well

NC-ACSP Request for Payments for approval:

41-2019-001 Kimberly Rayle \$10,892 (CS) Livestock Excl, Water Tanks, HUA

Harold moved to approve the contracts as presented in the list above. Anna seconded and the motion was approved.

Josh moved to approve the Request for Payments as presented in the list above. Anna seconded and the motion was approved.

Millie mentioned that she is working on the Revolution Mill Stream Restoration contract, she is also working with the Stoney Creek Homeowners Association, and Piedmont Conservation Council Project Manager Grace Messinger to request CCAP funding as well as mini gran funds for the Stoney Creek Streambank Protection project. That application was submitted around the last week of September. The CCAP funding for this project will provide Match for DWR

Millie also stated that there will be a meeting on November 18th, 6:00-8:00 pm at the Alamance County Ag Center discussing how the Ag community has followed the rules from Jordan lake. It would be very beneficial if some of our board members could attend, and hear what is discussed at the meeting.

Shed for No-Till Drill/Weed Wiper

The No-Till Drill and Weed Wiper shed is here and we are waiting on the City to inspect and approve the 'building' for use. The building approval is stalled because of the improper anchoring used.

NRCS:

Harrison Wilkes said that NRCS is still going through GSP and it will be closing on 11/11/2019. They will soon be moving from CSP to EQIP for 2020.

District Operations

- Millie reviewed the Monthly Expenditure Report. 180 dollars has gone into the foundation account for the rental of the No-Till drill.
- Millie announced that we have received consent to support a watershed restoration plan for the Deep River and Randleman Reservoir, which supplies drinking water to the region.
- Millie discussed the C.E.T. training held in Beaufort, NC the last week of October.
- Millie reminded everyone that the Annual meeting registration can be found on the Soil and Water website. This meeting will be in the Hilton, Charlotte University Place, on the dates of January 5th-7th.
- Millie brought up the adjustment for January's board meeting, and Josh reminded the group that they had voted to skip January's meeting due to the conflict with the NC-ASWCD Annual Meeting in Charlotte.

New Business:

N/A

Executive Session

Harold moved to go into executive session, Josh seconded and the motion was approved. Harold moved to re-enter general session, Josh seconded and the motion was approved.

Adjournment:

With no other business to discuss, Harold moved to adjourn the meeting at approximately 11:00am. Josh seconded and the motion was approved.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, December 4th, 2019, 10:30AM at the Guilford County Agriculture Building Conference Room. Covered dish luncheon to follow.

Secretary/Treasurer