

GUILFORD SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

FY 2019 - 2020 Meeting Number 6; February 5, 2020 Minutes

Supervisors Present:

George Teague, Chairmen Harold Alexander, Vice Chairman Ray Briggs, Secretary/Treasurer Anna Amoriello, Member Josh Myers, Member

Others Present:

Millie Langley- Soil Conservationist Jamey Walker – S & W Technician Sean Trollinger- Education Coordinator Leslie Bell – Director, Planning & Dev. Harrison Wilkes- 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

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

Minutes

Josh Myers moved to approve the December 5th, 2019 minutes Harold Alexander seconded. The motion carried.

Comments from the County

Leslie mentioned that the budget is currently under review and awaits approval.

District Conservation Programs

Jamey Walker presented the Cost Share Programs Update. There is currently one ACSP application, three AgWRAP applications, two cost share contracts, two AgWRAP contracts, and four requests for payments needing to be approved. He also mentioned we have received an additional \$5,000 to go towards hurricane repairs.

NC-ACSP Application for approval:

41-2020-014 Rodney Summers \$3,489 (FFR) Non-Field Farm Road (Suppl to 41-2019-008

NC-AgWRAP (Regional) Applications for approval:

41-2020-803 James Smith \$25,000 (Micro-Irrigation System)

41-2020-804 Lewis Brothers Farms \$25,000 (Conservation Irrigation Conversion) 41-2020-805 Phillip Faucette \$25,000 (Conservation Irrigation Conversion)

NC-ACSP Contracts (updated contact info):

41-2020-012 Marcus Faucette \$11,052 (FFR) Farm Road Repair 41-2020-013 Larry Spencer \$9,959 (FFR) Farm Road Repair

NC-AgWRAP Contracts for approval:

41-2020-804 Lewis Brothers Farms \$25,000 (Conservation Irrigation Conversion)

41-2020-805 Phillip Faucette \$25,000 (Conservation Irrigation Conversion)

NC-ACSP Request for Payments for approval:

41-2020-006 Gerald Fryer \$4,000 (CS) Cover Crop 41-2020-011 Clifford Cobb \$4,000 (CS) Cover Crop

NC-AgWrap Request for Payments for approval:

41-2018-803 George Summers \$5,767 (Ag) Water Supply Well, Pump

41-2019-809 George Summers \$4,649 (Ag) Well, supplement to 41-2018-803

Anna moved to approve the ACSP & AgWRAP applications, and Harold seconded. The contracts were approved.

Josh motioned to approve the ACSP & AgWRAP contracts, and Anna seconded. The contracts were approved.

Harold motioned to approve the ACSP & AgWRAP request for payments, and Josh seconded. Request for payments have been approved.

Millie told the group that the Stoney Creek Project funding had not been funded, but Piedmont Conservation Council RC&D will be applying for other funds and grants to ensure the project gets completed.

Shed for No-Till Drill/Weed Wiper

The No-Till Drill and Weed Wiper shed has been APPROVED!

NRCS:

Harrison Wilkes represented NRCS and mentioned that they are going under new training for EQIP rollout & the new conservation desktop. There has also been a new Team Leader hired for our area and his name is Brandon King, a former A&T Graduate.

County Budget:

Millie guided the group through the draft county budget for the upcoming fiscal year. The Board will review and plan to approve this budget during our March Board Meeting.

District Operations

- Millie updated us on the monthly expenditures and let us know that the postage for the
 newsletter hasn't posted on the report yet. The tires and fire extinguisher were shown for this
 month's expenditure report.
- Millie brought up the "Conservation License Tag" that the NC-SWCD is trying to get created, but they must have 500 signatures before the plates can be stamped. She encouraged all to consider committing to this, as money from the plates will go towards funding the N.C. Association for Education programs.
- Millie announced that Sean will be attending the New Supervisors Training on 2/25/20.
- Millie announced that the tree sale will be held on the 17th-21st, and we will be picking up the trees on the 13th.
- Millie updated us on the current poster competition and not many submissions have been made, due to Sean being hired late, and the City Education Coordinator taking a new position. By consensus group we decided that we will determine whether or not to have a banquet next meeting.

 Millie also announced that she was again asked to be the Chairman of the Committee for the NFC National Envirothon; she asked the board to approve her serving in this capacity. The board approved her serving as chair, by consensus.

New Business:

- Sean presented the "Monthly Farmer Highlight" for our Facebook page, and the group agreed it was a great idea.
- Elections:
 - Current Positions: Chairman- George Teauge Vice Chairman- Harold Alexander Secretary of Treasury- Ray Briggs
 - o Elected Positions:
 - Secretary of Treasury- Josh Myers (Nominated by Ray, Seconded by Harold)
 (Motioned to approve by Anna, seconded by Ray)
 - Vice Chairman- Harold Alexander (Nominated by Ray, Seconded by Josh)
 (Motioned to approve by Ray, Seconded by Josh)
 - Chairman- George Teague (Nominated by Harold, Seconded by Josh) (Motioned to approve by Harold, Seconded by Josh)

Adjournment:

With no other business to discuss, Josh moved to adjourn the meeting at approximately 10:30am. Anna seconded and the motion was approved.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, March 4th, 2020, 9:00AM at the Guilford County Agriculture Building Conference Room. Harold Alexander will be providing the snack for this meeting

Secretary/Treasurer

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