



GUILFORD SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

FY 2020 - 2021 Meeting Number 9 May 5, 2021 Minutes

Supervisors Present:

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

Others Present:

Jamey Walker – Soil & Water Conservation Manager
Leslie Bell – Director, Guilford Co. Planning & Dev.
Millie Langley, Soil Conservationist
Brandon King- NRCS Supervisory Soil Conservationist
Ray Briggs- Associate Supervisor

The board meeting was called to order by Chairman, George Teague, at 9:00 AM at the Guilford Agriculture Center Auditorium. Social distancing policies were met. George Teague read the Conflict of Interest Statement and asked if there were any conflicts of interest; none were stated.

Agenda

Anna Amoriello moved to approve the agenda as presented, Josh Myers seconded and the motion was approved.

Minutes

George asked if everyone had reviewed the minutes from the last meeting. Leslie asked that titles be included on list of attendees. Josh moved to approve the April minutes as corrected. Anna Amoriello seconded. The motion was approved.

Comments From The County

Leslie mentioned that the budget process is underway and is progressing as usual. He will have information concerning personnel matters in the closed session.

NRCS:

Brandon King gave the NRCS update. On May 10th, NRCS will also be bringing on a new Soil Conservationist for the NRCS in the Guilford Office as well as two interns that will be working in the team area this summer.

District Conservation Programs

Jamey Walker presented the Cost Share Programs Update for May. There were no applications or contracts since we are at the end of the program year. Spot checks will be done in the next few weeks and completed by June 1.

Jamey noted that no new VAD applications had been approved; totals remain the same:

- Totals (VAD and EVAD): 419 parcels for 18,451.40 acres
- Total VAD: 377 parcels 16,714.16 acres; Total EVAD: 42 parcels 1,737.24 acres

Jamey share the newspaper article that ran in the Greensboro News and Record on Monday. It was a good article about the Voluntary Ag District Program and agriculture in general, but no mention of Guilford Soil & Water even though Jamey spoke and described the program to the reporter.

District Operations

Jamey updated the board on the Munis financial report and that the matching funds were not showing up due to some software hitches in Munis. The funds have been received according to finance. Also Millie updated the Foundation Account report.

Jamey reviewed the remaining work to be done to complete the OELC project with Southeast Middle School. Jamey is meeting Allison Brown, the teacher that is heading up the project at the school and Sean tomorrow after school to check on possible volunteers to help, such as boy scouts, etc.

Jamey also announced that the Conservation Employee Training is planned for Wilmington August 22 – 26, 2021. It will be in-person unless Covid-19 situation deteriorates.

New Business:

Ralston highlighted some of the documents he sent along and were included in each supervisor's packets; including suggested protocol for district staff to present cost share items to the board.

Josh moved for the board to go into Executive Session to discuss personnel matters. Harold seconded and the motion was approved.

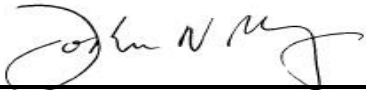
Josh moved to come out of Executive Session; Harold seconded. Motion was approved.

Adjournment:

With no other business to discuss, Josh moved to adjourn the meeting at approximately 11:00 am.

Harold seconded, and the motion was approved.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, June 2nd, 2021 at 9:00am in the Guilford County Agriculture Building Auditorium.



Secretary/Treasurer