



GUILFORD SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

FY 2021 – 2022 Meeting Number 1; August 4, 2021 Minutes

Supervisors Present:

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

Others Present:

Jamey Walker – S & W Conservation Manager
Leslie Bell – Director, Guilford Co. Planning & Dev.
Millie Langley, Soil Conservationist
Gary Cox, Soil & Water Technician
Ray Briggs- Associate Supervisor
Brandon King- NRCS Sup. Soil Conservationist
Jordyn Rosichen - NRCS Soil Conservationist
Jaylen Day, NRCS Intern
Ralston James, DSWC Reg. Coordinator

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.

Introduction of New Employee

Jamey Walker introduced the new Soil & Water Technician, Gary Cox. Gary said he was happy to be back in Guilford and was looking forward to working with the board and staff.

Agenda

Harold Alexander moved to approve the agenda as presented; Anna Amoriello seconded and the motion was approved.

Minutes

George asked if everyone had reviewed the minutes from the last meeting. *Josh moved to approve the June minutes as presented. Anna Amoriello seconded. The motion was approved.*

Comments From The County

Leslie updated everyone on the new software being used by the county for accounting and finance.

NRCS:

Brandon King gave the NRCS update. He noted that 2 Wildlife applications had been approved and funds obligated. He introduced Jordan Rosichen again and also Jaylen Day, summer intern. He noted that Millie Langley and Gail Hughes will be having a training for Jordyn and the interns this afternoon about Soil & Water Districts and Dr. Hugh Hammond Bennett, the father of Soil Conservation.

District Conservation Programs

Jamey Walker presented the Cost Share Programs Update for August. There were two ACSP Requests for Payment for information only:

NC-ACSP Request for Payments (for information only):

41-2019-001	Kimberly Rayle	\$1,160(CS) HUA
41-2021-005	Greg Payne	\$1,449 (CS) Critical Area/ Field Border

The AgWRAP Contract Extension Request for Aaron Sink, 41-2019-501 for a new irrigation Pond was approved by the State Soil & Water Commission. (Engineering Design still on hold due to State Dam Safety Review)

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

District Operations

Jamey reviewed the budget reports with the board. He noted that the PCC dues (\$3,000) and employee DEA dues (\$50) had been paid. The foundation account was up to date and noted that the trees had been paid for (\$502).

Jamey also announced that the Conservation Employee Training is planned for Wilmington August 22 – 26, 2021. Jamey, Gary and Millie will be attending.

New Business:

Jamey informed the board that he had received a letter of resignation from Antoinette Weaver. She is resigning due to her moving out of state for her fiancé's job. Josh moved to nominate Ray Briggs to come back on the board to fill Antoinette's unexpired term. Harold seconded the motion and the motion was approved. Ray's nomination form and Antoinette's resignation letter will be forwarded to the Division staff for commission approval.

Jamey mentioned that the staff is requesting JAA from the division. This JAA will mirror the JAA received from NRCS. Josh moved to approve the JAA request, Anna seconded and the motion was approved.

Leslie mentioned that the Job Posting for the Education Coordinator position was still open. But he is working with Jamey to revise the job description.

George mentioned that the Annual Meeting is being planned as in-person for the Sheraton at RTP in January.

Adjournment:

With no other business to discuss, Harold moved to adjourn the meeting at approximately 9:40 am. Josh seconded, and the motion was approved.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, September 1st, 2021 at 9:00am in the Guilford County Agriculture Building Auditorium.



Secretary/Treasurer