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*GUILFORD SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT*

FY 2019 Meeting Number 7; February 6, 2019 Minutes

**Supervisors Present:**

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

**Others Present:**

Leslie Bell – Planning & Development Director  
Jamey Walker – Soil & Water Conservation Technician  
Kyleene Rooks- Soil & Water Coordinator  
Curtis York- Associate Supervisor

*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

*Ray Briggs moved to approve the January 2, 2019 minutes. Anna Amoriello seconded. The motion carried.*

District Conservation Programs

- Jamey Walker presented the Cost Share Programs Update
  - Jamey is working with landowners on Florence and Michael damages, field visits
  - Jamey Walker is working with Brent Bogue and Cindy Safrit to get Job Approval Authority for wells and pipelines.
  - Jeffery Turner (SWCD intern) is working on adding updated soil maps to the conservation plans he's logged.
- There was 1 NC-ACSP Florence Contract to Approve (FFR) = \$7,500.00 each
  - Contract 41-2019-008, Rodney Summers, Non-Field Farm Road Repair

*Josh Myers moved to approve the NC-ACSP Florence Contract. Anna Amoriello seconded. The motion was carried.*

- **VAD or EVAD Applications Approved to Date:** no new changes in VAD.  
**Totals:** 385 parcels; 16,902.90 acres
  - Total VAD: 346 parcels 15,229.22 acres
  - Total EVAD: 39 parcels 1,673.68 acres
- **State Funds Cost Share (ACSP, AgWRAP & CCAP) Total Allocation for 2019= \$97,355**  
2019 Matching Funds: \$30,150  
Total: \$127,505
- **USDA Dollars Guilford County:** 2018 EQUIP: \$75,133; 2017 EQUIP: \$65,558; 2016 EQUIP: \$65,658;  
2015 EQUIP: \$25,052; **EQUIP Total 2015-2018= \$233,402**

Comment from County

- Leslie Bell informed the board of the upcoming Commissioner's Meeting tomorrow night (February 7), where they will move to adopt the MOU.

- Leslie also stated that a draft of the proposed budget for Soil & Water would be presented at the March board meeting.
- The UDO project is in the draft phase and a public meeting will be held at the end of this month review and approve the first four articles.

### NRCS

Brian Loadholt has officially moved to the state office. Brent Bogue will be acting as our NRCS representative until the position is filled. Brent was unable to attend the February board meeting but emailed the board an update:

- Angela Little is no longer the Assistant State Conservationist for Field Operations in Area 2. Mark Ferguson will be acting for the time being. Information on when positions will be filled is not currently known.
- Most of the deadlines for NRCS Programs have been delayed due to the government shutdown.

### District Operations

- The Monthly Expenditure Report contained no expenses. We have received \$568.00 in pre-orders for the District's Annual Tree Seedling Sale (February 11-15 8AM-6PM). The fundraiser is officially profiting from sales.
- There was a change (due to room availability) to the Annual Awards Banquet date this year. It will now be held Thursday, May 23, 2019. The banquet will be held in conjunction with the VAD, similar to last year. A time for the event will be determined at the next board meeting, after contest winners are announced.
- Kyleene Rooks reported that this year, rather than judging speech and poster contestants at the Area 3 meeting, a separate meeting will be held in a more central location to judge contest winners at the regional level. The new date, time and location is: Chatham County SWCD Building, February 26<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at 10AM.
- Registration is now open for the Area 3 Spring Meeting being held in Montgomery County, March 7<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at 10AM. Registration is \$30 prior to February 21<sup>st</sup>, and \$35 at the door.
- Upcoming events include:
  - Area 3 Envirothon March 26, 2019 at Elon
  - State Envirothon May 3 – 4, 2018 at Cedarock Park

### New Business

No new business was discussed.

### Division Update

Ralston James was unable to attend this month's board meeting. No division update was sent prior to the meeting.

### Executive Session

At 9:35AM the board unanimously moved to go into closed session regarding employee evaluations.

### Adjournment:

*After the executive session, with no business to discuss, Ray Briggs moved that the meeting be adjourned.*

*Josh Myers seconded and the motion was approved unanimously at 9:45AM..*

**Next Meeting: Wednesday, March 6, 2019, 9AM at the Guilford County Agriculture Building Conference Room. It will be Kyleene Rooks' turn to bring snack.**



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Secretary/Treasurer