

BOARD MINUTES

RANDOLPH COUNTY SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

Asheboro, North Carolina

October 10, 2005

Supervisors Present:

Craig Frazier, Chairman
William Alston, V. Chairman
Richard Canoy, Secretary
Shaun Hayes, Member
Amy Hughes, Treasurer

Others Present:

Barton Roberson, DC
Jenny Parks, Admin. Assist.
Kelly Whitaker, S&W Eng.
Jerry Dorsett, Reg. Coord.

The meeting was called to order at 7:40 a.m. Alston welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Travel vouchers were signed and returned.

ACTION ITEMS:

August 8, 2005 minutes were reviewed and corrections were made. Hayes moved, seconded by Canoy, the board voted unanimously to approve minutes as corrected.

Parks presented the treasurer's report. Canoy moved, seconded by Hayes, the board voted unanimously to approve the treasurer's report as presented. A copy is attached to these minutes.

No NRCS report was given at this time.

Alston gave the RC&D Report as follows:

-RC&D's Annual Meeting was held at the Green Park Inn in Blowing Rock, NC on August 2-4, 2005.

-Alston reported that there was an RC&D Board meeting this past Friday, October 7, 2005.

Alston reported that they have been notified that there has been a freeze placed on the RC&D Coordinator position. Further information will follow as soon as it is received.

-Parks will contact the Mayor of Seagrove and ask if he could give a report on the Seagrove Ball Parks project during our November Board Meeting.

Whitaker gave the NCACSP Report as follows:

-BMP Allocation for Randolph County is \$86,335 and the Technical Assistance Allocation for Randolph County is \$19,698.

-Whitaker presented a supplemental contract for Wilbert Hancock contract #76-06-02-02SU for approval and signatures. Canoy moved, seconded by Hayes, the board voted unanimously to approve Supplemental Contract #76-06-02-02SU for Wilbert Hancock for \$3,139.00.

-Whitaker presented a supplemental contract for Frank Macon, contract #76-06-01-02SU for approval and signatures. Canoy moved, seconded by Hayes, the board voted unanimously to approve Supplemental Contract #76-06-01-02SU for Frank Macon for \$6,501.00.

-Whitaker presented a contract for Thurman Jessup, contract #76-06-03-02SU for approval and signatures. Alston moved, seconded by Hughes, the board voted unanimously to approve Contract #76-06-03-02SU for Thurman Jessup for \$156.00.

-Discussion was had regarding the NCACSP Spot Checks for this year. The board picked #3 to start with, then every 20th. This will allow for 5% spot check of the NCACSP contracts.

-Whitaker presented an application for Wanda Russell. Hayes moved, seconded by Alston, the board voted unanimously to approve Wanda Russell's application for a waste storage structure.

-Whitaker presented an application for Larry McDowell. Hayes moved, seconded by Alston, the board voted unanimously to approve Larry McDowell's application for fencing, terrace or critical area treatment, watering facilities, and energy dissipater.

Whitaker reported that her request to become a Technical Specialist will go before the Commission on October 19, 2005.

Whitaker gave the Community Conservation Report as follows:

-Whitaker presented a resolution for adoption by the Randolph SWCD Board. Hughes moved, seconded by Alston, the board voted unanimously to accept the resolution as presented regarding Community Conservation at the Area 3 Fall Meeting on 10/27/05. The resolution is attached to these minutes. A Board Member from Randolph SWCD will need to present this resolution.

-Whitaker reported that Marvin Wall's plan for the NC Foundation grant to close his lagoon was approved. Construction has been completed and a request for payment has been received and is being processed.

-Whitaker shared information regarding the EE Grant for the Farmland Easement Protection.

-Whitaker shared information regarding the Ecosystem Enhancement Program which Randolph SWCD has been accepted into.

-Whitaker reported that the deadline for a grant to receive a Hybrid vehicle is December 31st. New applications will be available October 1st. Whitaker has started the application process and will incorporate an education component in the application.

The Annual Report was presented for review and approval. Alston moved, seconded by Canoy, the board voted unanimously to accept the Annual Report as presented.

Frazier presented a letter from Alice Caviness, Area 3 Education Committee Chair, asking each district in Area 3 to donate \$100 towards the Area 3 Envirothon. Hughes moved, seconded by Hayes, the board voted unanimously for the Randolph SWCD to donate \$100 towards the Area 3 Envirothon.

The Area 3 Fall Meeting information was presented. The Area 3 Fall Meeting will be held in Greensboro at the Guilford County Ag Center on October 27, 2005. Those planning on attending should pre-register for \$25 before October 21st.

Discussion was had regarding Standing Committee Representatives and Alternates. Hughes moved, seconded by Canoy, the board voted unanimously to nominate Alston for the Alternate slot on the Legislative Committee.

Forms were presented for information to nominate a district supervisor for Supervisor of the Year Award.

Discussion was had on nominating a district supervisor to serve on the Technical Review Committee. The Supervisor position will come from the Piedmont area (Areas 3, 4 and 7). Canoy moved, seconded by Alston, the board voted unanimously to nominate Amy Hughes as a

candidate to serve on the Technical Review Committee. This will be presented at the Area 3 Fall Meeting and voted on.

The NACD National Meeting place has been changed due to Hurricane Katrina. The 2005 National NACD Meeting will now be held in Houston, Texas January 29 – February 2, 2006.

Information was presented regarding volunteering at the Soil and Water Conservation State Fair Booth in Raleigh October 14 – 23, 2005. If you wish to volunteer, please contact Susan Woodard at 919-934-7156 ext. 3.

Hughes moved, seconded by Hayes, the board voted unanimously for Frazier to conduct Parks' evaluation and presented it to the Board at the next meeting.

Dorsett reported that Steve Ferguson, Area 2 Regional Coordinator, has resigned his position and is no longer with the Division. Dorsett is now covering Area's 3 and 2 until his position is filled.

Dorsett reported that David Williams is still acting for David Vogel as Division Director. That position has not been filled to this date.

Dorsett reported that the new Community Conservation initiative with the Division staff Linda Birdsong and Debbie Shoffner is going very well.

The following consent items were approved:

- eNotes (Special Edition, 8/16/05, 8/23/05, 8/30/05, 9/6/05, 9/13/05, 9/20/05)
- Information on the new DSWC Public Information Officer – Andrew Sleeth
- Commission Meeting Dates
- NRCS Conservation e-Connections
- CSP Information
- NRCS Accomplishments 2001 – 2005
- 2005 NC Legislation Information
- Southeast DEA Newsletter
- USDA News

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 9:10 a.m.

Chairman Signature

Date Approved Minutes

The Next Regularly Scheduled Board Meeting will be August 8, 2005 at 7:30 a.m.
Federal Building
241 Sunset Avenue, Asheboro, NC 27203