

BOARD MINUTES

RANDOLPH COUNTY SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

Asheboro, North Carolina

May 8, 2006

Supervisors Present:

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

Others Present:

Jake Hill, Soil Con. Tech.
Jenny Parks, Adm. Sec.
Kelly Whitaker, S&W Engineer

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:

The April 10, 2006 Minutes were reviewed and corrections were made. Canoy moved, seconded by Alston, the board voted unanimously to accept the minutes of April 10, 2006.

Parks presented the Treasurer's Report. Alston moved, seconded by Canoy, the board voted unanimously to accept the Treasurer's Report. A copy is attached to these minutes.

Hill reported that there will be conservation plans to be presented during next month's board meeting.

Whitaker presented the following conservation plans for approval. Canoy moved, seconded by Hayes, the board voted unanimously to approve and sign the conservation plans presented for the following producers: Linda Moore, Gurney Davis, and Stephen Allen.

Parks reported that the local FAC has sent a letter requesting clearance to contact local contractors about finding/building new office space. More information will follow as it becomes available.

Alston gave the RC&D Report as follows:

-Alston reported that the National RC&D Conference will be held in Savannah, Georgia June 18-22, 2006.

-Alston reported that the Piedmont Conservation Council will be holding a board meeting in Graham on May 10, 2006.

-Alston reported that there is a possibility that the Graham RC&D office will be relocated. More information will follow as soon as it becomes available.

Whitaker gave the NCACSP Report as follows:

-Whitaker presented a Request for Payment to Millard Hinson for board approval and signature.

Alston moved, seconded by Hayes, with Canoy abstaining from the vote, the board voted to approve and sign the Request for Payment for Millard Hinson, contract #76-04-12-02 in the amount of \$8,854.00.

-The board has requested tax returns for Gary Caviness.

-Whitaker reported that Donald Scotten, contract # 76-06-07-02 was originally based on 90% cost share, however after reviewing his tax returns the office discovered he is not eligible for 90% cost share, as an error on the office's part. This contract has been revised for 65% cost share to correct the

error – the revised contract amount is \$27,124 for a waste storage structure and incinerator. Alston moved, seconded by Canoy, the board voted unanimously to approve the contract revision.

-Whitaker presented a contract for Trey Parrish. Canoy moved, seconded by Hayes, the board voted unanimously with Frazier abstaining, to approve the new contract #76-06-08-16 for a waste storage structure, incinerator and roof runoff totaling \$43,453. Parrish is a new and beginning farmer, therefore he was eligible for 90% cost share.

-Whitaker reminded the board that spot checks are due in June.

Whitaker gave the Community Conservation Report as follows:

-Whitaker reported that 8 rain barrels were sold during Garden fest on Saturday. Whitaker, Parks, Hughes and Frazier's daughter Kerri Beth Frazier helped with the booth.

-Whitaker reported on the following NC Foundation grants:

→ Brad Coble's lagoon closure is under construction.

→ \$11,455 will be returned to the Foundation for Tobacco Lands in Transition Grant. Canoy moved, seconded by Hughes, the board voted unanimously to approve and sign the letter to the Foundation returning the funds not used.

-Whitaker reported that the paperwork towards the purchase of the Ford Hybrid will be sent to the office in June. More information will follow as soon as it becomes available.

-The EEP contract has been submitted to DENR for review. DENR is requesting cost estimates for two of the projects in question. Discussion was had regarding the cost estimates. Alston moved, seconded by Canoy, the board voted unanimously to submit cost estimates with adjustments to figures as needed to reflect NCACSP cost lists and actual cost estimated from contractors.

-Whitaker reported that Ike Ferguson has a sign on his property that was part of the "Pride in America" program many years ago – the sign has come off of the hangers and is in need of repair. The board decided that office staff should look into the River Friendly Farmer program to see if he qualifies. Also, to advise Mr. Ferguson to become involved in newer programs that offer to put a sign on the producer's property, such as Voluntary Ag. District Program.

Hughes moved, seconded by Canoy, the board voted unanimously to approve the 2006 NCASWCD Annual Dues of \$313.00. Parks will submit payment for this to the Association.

It was reported that Canoy and Hayes are up for re-election this year to the Board.

The regular Soil and Water Commission Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, May 17, 2006 at 9:00 a.m. in Raleigh.

Frazier reported that a reception honoring past Soil and Water Commission Chairman, James Ferguson, will be held at 42nd Street Oyster Bar in Raleigh at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, May 16, 2006.

Frazier reported that the 2006 Conservation Awareness Day will be held May 31, 2006 at Halifax Mall in Raleigh from 11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

Parks reported that the Eastern Randolph FFA Team placed 5th in the State Envirothon Competition.

Hughes gave a brief report on the TRC Meeting that she attended.

Hughes moved, seconded by Canoy, the board voted unanimously to forward a recommendation to the state legislative body to approve use of alternative waste disposal methods such as alligators, to dispose of large livestock carcasses.

The following consent items were approved:

-ENOTES – NACD (Special Addition, 74/11/06, 4/18/06, 4/25/06 5/2/06)

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 9:25 a.m.

Chairman Signature

Date of Approved Minutes

The Next Regularly Scheduled Board Meeting will be June 12, 2006 at 7:30 a.m.
Federal Building, 241 Sunset Avenue
Asheboro, NC 27203