



GUILFORD SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

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FY 2018 Meeting Number 8; March 7th, 2018 Minutes

Supervisors Present:

George Teague, Chairmen
Harold Alexander, Vice Chairman
Ray Briggs – Sec/Treasurer

Others Present:

Millie Langley – Soil Conservationist
Leslie Bell – Planning & Development Director
Jamey Walker – Soil Conservation Technician
Randall Hayes – Agnosia Media

The Board Meeting was called to order by Chairman, George Teague, at 9:10 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. Ray Briggs seconded. The motion carried.

Minutes

Harold moved to approve the February 5th, 2018 minutes. Ray seconded. The motion carried.

District Conservation Programs

- Jamey Walker presented the Ag Cost Share Update; there were no contracts or requests for payments to approve; most of February has been tied up with Tree Sale, Budget and Cost Share Audit.
- Monica Garner, AgWRAP Contract #41-2017-801 is requesting a 6-month extension for her well. She has had trouble getting a well contractor.
 - *Ray moved to give Ms. Garner the six-month extension for contract #41-2017-801; Harold seconded and the motion was approved.*
- Jamey and Millie updated everyone on the Cost Share Audit from February 21-22. Everything was generally in order, there were just a few things found and the Cost Share Specialist will attend the April board meeting to go over everything with the board.
- **One VAD Application #2018-01**, for 59.28 acres and four tax parcels owned by Marie Poteat of Jamestown, NC. And one EVAD Application for 115.87 acres, one Tax parcel owned by Craig and Elaine Smith of Pleasant Garden, NC.

- **Bringing VAD and EVAD Applications Approved to date:** Current Totals: 374 parcels, 16,277 acres.
 - Total VAD: 341 parcels 14,878 acres
 - Total EVAD: 33 parcels 1,399 acres

Comment from County

- Leslie Bell updated the board about the progress on the county budget. The bottom line for the Soil & Water Budget is actually less than last year, due to the Forestry request being less than last year. He said everything discussed last month was included and hopefully will be approved when he has Planning's budget hearings.

NRCS

- Brian Loadholt could not attend the meeting but he sent his report for information: EQIP: At this time, we have 6 applications that have been ranked for Guilford County with an estimated \$98,563. The total for the six county Team 7 is \$775,431.
- He reported that there are 6 new CSP applications. Letters have been sent to participants instructing them to update their records for eligibility.
- FSA Compliance Reviews, Guilford will have 11 out of the Team's total of 55, and Harrison will be conducting the review for all counties but Caswell. Letters will be sent to participants making them aware that the review will be conducted on a tract that they are associated with.

District Operations

- Millie reminded the board that two seats are up for election/re-election this year: Lewis Brandon and Anna Amoriello (she is filling Dick Phillip's term). George's position is up for re-appointment. The filing period is noon on June 11 - noon on July 6, 2018.
- Millie noted the Expenditure report and the Foundation report. She gave the report of the Tree Sale and that we had made \$466 with maybe a little more to come in. Discussed whether to continue having the tree sale. Suggestions were made to notify our Area 3 counties for possibly bulk sales, add outreach with TV and newspapers, look into offering more nut, berry and flowering trees.
- Millie reported that the Poster contest went pretty well this year; Kyleene did a good job even as late as she was able to start this year. We had approx. 60 posters; from 3rd, 4th & 5th grades; also has two 2nd place in the area and a 3rd place.
- She also reminded supervisors of the upcoming Area 3 Envirothon and expressed the need for volunteers the date of the event (March 20).

New Business

There was no new business to discuss.

Division Update

There was no division update.

Adjournment:

With no other business, Lewis moved that the meeting be adjourned, Harold seconded and the motion was approved unanimously at 11:20 a.m.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, April 4th, 2018, 9:00 a.m. at the Guilford County Agriculture Building Conference Room. It's Ray Brigg's turn to bring snacks.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Ray Brigg". The signature is written in black ink on a light-colored, slightly textured background.

Secretary/Treasurer