



GUILFORD SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

FY 2019 Meeting Number 1; August 1, 2018 Minutes

Supervisors Present:

George Teague, Chairmen
Harold Alexander, Vice Chairman
Ray Briggs – Sec/Treasurer
Lewis A. Brandon- Member
Anna Amoriello- Member

Others Present:

Millie Langley – Soil Conservationist
Leslie Bell – Planning & Development Director
Jamey Walker – Soil Conservation Technician
Kyleene Rooks- Soil & Water Coordinator
Brian Loadholt- NRCS
Harrison Wilkes- NRCS
Curtis York
John Saunders- Guest
Supervisor Candidates: Gay Dillard, Mike Faucette, Josh Myers,

The Board Meeting was called to order by Chairman, George Teague, at 9:00 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. Lewis Brandon seconded. The motion carried.

Minutes

Lewis Brandon moved to approve the June 6th, 2018 minutes. Harold Alexander seconded. The motion carried.

District Conservation Programs

- Jamey Walker presented the 2019 allocations by fund:
 - Initial 2019 regular Ag Cost Share (CS): \$48,861
 - Impaired/Impacted Stream Earmark (II): \$11,017
 - AgWRAP (AG): \$9,472
- The board reviewed the 2019 Ag Cost Share, AgWRAP & CCAP Ranking List.

Lewis Brandon moved to approve the 2019 Ag Cost Share, AgWRAP & CCAP Ranking List. Harold Alexander seconded the motion. The chairman abstained from voting. The motion carried.

- Jamey Walker presented the Ag Cost Share Update; there were 2 requests for payment for information only:
 - Contract 41-2016-801, Grace Summers for \$4,300 Irrigation Well (AG)
 - Contract 41-2018-006, Harold Alexander for \$2,413 Heavy Use Area (CS)
- There was no additional VAD or EVAD Applications

- Total VAD: 341 parcels 14,878.16 acres
- Total EVAD: 39 parcels 1,673.68 acres

Comment from County

- Leslie Bell updated the board that the budget was approved since the June board meeting.
- There are changes being made to the Solid Waste Ordinance. The county ordinance will become consistent with North Carolina Solid Waste Ordinance.
- A steering committee has been created to serve in the interest of the public in regards to the ordinance rewrite. They also serve as a liaison between the public and the stakeholders.
- The county is updating the Planning & Development Ordinance. It is estimated to be an 18-month process. The first drafts should be completed within the next 60 days for review.

NRCS

- Brian Loadholt introduced Harrison Wilkes as the new NRCS direct contact for Guilford, Rockingham and Caswell County.
- Brian also said both NRCS interns would be leaving after this summer semester ended in mid-August.
- Harrison discussed the county's compliance review.

District Operations

- The filing period for the two seats on the board ended July 6, 2018 at noon. There are 9 candidates on the ballot. Several were present at today's meeting to introduce themselves.
- The Monthly Expenditure Report reflected the approved budgeted increase in travel expenses and professional development because of the addition to a new full time position. The telephone budget has also seen a small increase.
- Millie Langley discussed the success of the NCF 2018 Envirothon at Idaho State University. North Carolina's Stanly County High School team the Yellow Poplars placed seventh among 50 teams from the US, Canada and China. Millie will be stepping down from NCF Chairman position to help focus on the NCF 2019 Envirothon to be held here at North Carolina State University.
- Millie also mentioned the District Employees Association's fundraising raffle to the board of supervisors.
- The board agreed to sign a letter of support for the Piedmont Conservation Council's grant application to fund a Quilt Trail for Guilford and several surrounding counties. The Quilt Trail would promote Agro-tourism in Guilford County.
- Kyleene Rooks gave the dates for the February Annual Tree Seedling Sale (02/11-02/15). The board agreed to extend the hours of the sale during the week and to end the sale on Friday rather than Saturday this year.
- The board agreed to also look into the continuing sale of wildflower seeds.

New Business

An application for associate supervisor had been submitted by Curtis York.

Harold Alexander moved to approve the application for associate supervisor. Lewis Brandon seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Division Update

Ralston James was unable to attend this month's meeting and will send a report at a later dates.

Adjournment:

With no other business, Lewis moved that the meeting be adjourned, Harold seconded and the motion was approved unanimously at 10:00 a.m.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, September 5, 2018, 9:00 a.m. at the Guilford County Agriculture Building Conference Room. It's Anna Amoriello's turn to bring snacks.

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

Secretary/Treasurer