



## *GUILFORD SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT*

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**FY 2023 – 2024 Meeting Number 11 June 5, 2024 Minutes**

### **Supervisors Present:**

George Teague, Chair  
Josh Myers, Vice Chair  
Anna Amoriello, Sec/Treas  
Ray Briggs, Member  
Grace Summers, Member  
Dan Marcum, Associate Member

### **Others Present:**

Jamey Walker, S&W Conservation Manager  
Gary Cox, S&W Conservation Technician  
Millie Langley, Soil Conservationist  
Casey Harrington, NRCS Supervisory Cons  
Jordyn Rosichan, NRCS Soil Conservationist  
Grace Messinger, PCC Exec. Director

The board meeting was called to order by Chairman, George Teague, at 9:06 AM at the Guilford County Agricultural Building Auditorium. He welcomed everyone in attendance.

He then read the Conflict-of-Interest Statement and asked if there were any conflicts of interest; *It was noted that Anna has a family member's contract on the list for approval. She will recuse herself on this matter.* He then noted the Statement of Professionalism that the Commission recently recommended including at each board meeting.

### **Agenda**

George Teague asked everyone to review the agenda as presented. *Josh Myers moved to approve the agenda. Anna Amoriello seconded, and the motion was approved.*

### **Minutes**

George asked if everyone had reviewed the minutes from the May 2024 meeting. *Anna moved to approve the April meeting minutes. Grace Summers seconded, and the motion was approved.*

### **Vacant Position**

The group discussed the vacant position. Jamey has received 28 more applications to review. They have been sent to the board for review and to choose 3 to 5 to be interviewed. It will be later in the month before he can schedule interviews due to the conference room being tied up for summer activities. If he gets more applications in the meantime, he will send those as well.

### **Comments from County**

Leslie did not attend, but asked Jamey to report that our office would be having a Financial Audit, sometime during July or August.

### **NRCS**

Casey Harrington gave the NRCS report. Guilford has 13 CSP applications to be ranked by June 14<sup>th</sup>. Also, a new Soil Con position has been advertised for Guilford. She will keep us updated on that position.

### **Division Report**

Rick did not attend.

### **PCC Update**

Grace Messenger, Piedmont Conservation Council (RC&D) Executive Director, gave an update on PCC activities since she was here at the October meeting. She then gave an overview of the Jordan Lake Stakeholders group, the AG TAG and encouraged the group to participate in meetings as any rule

changes may have lasting effects on Agriculture in the watershed. She also encouraged the group to join the Jordan Lake One Water group which was voted on last month to join as a Member (without voting rights). Wake and Orange already hold the two available seats on the Board of Directors. George Teague will be the contact representative from Guilford

### **District Conservation Programs**

Gary reported that all the spot checks had been completed and reported to the division.

- Gary presented two NC ACSP Contracts for Approval
  - 41-2023-014 David Amoriello Pond Sediment Removal \$8,464
  - 41-2023-015 Ken Troxler Pond Sediment Removal \$7,732
  - *Josh moved to approve the Ag Cost Share Contract as presented. Ray Briggs seconded and the motion was approved. (Anna had left the meeting due to another appointment.)*
  
- He also presented an AgWRAP Request for Payment to Approve:
  - 41-2024-804 Cabell Early Center Pivot \$35,000
  - *Grace moved to approve the AgWRAP RFP as presented. Josh seconded and the motion was approved*
  
- Gary presented one AgWRAP Contract to Approve
  - 41-2024-803 Craven Smith Irrigation Well \$12,000
  - *Josh moved to approve the Ag Cost Share Request for Payment as presented. Ray seconded and the motion was approved*
  
- Gary reported that George and Josh had signed the Soil & Water Foundation contract for the No-Till Drill. However after discussion they realized that it contained incorrect info, so will contact Gail Hughes to have it revised.
  
- Gary reported that Guilford County's Voluntary Ag District totals remain: VAD, 398 parcels and 17,458.04 acres and EVAD 43 parcels and 1,765.68 acres; total of both VAD and EVAD is 441 parcels and 19,223.72 acres.

### **District Education**

- Millie reported that we have a student ready to attend the RCW week after next (June 16 -21) and his registration has been paid through the Friends account.
- She reported that she will be attending the NCF-Envirothon in Geneva New York. Our state winner Enloe High School Subchronic Exposure team from Wake County will be going again. She will be gone from July 26 – August 3<sup>rd</sup> for that event.
- Millie reminded the group that it was time to think about the tree sale. The tree sale order must be placed on July 1<sup>st</sup> to get the trees we need. The board said to get whatever we thought would sell best! WE plan to hold the sale around the same time in late January of 2025.

### **District Operations**

- Jamey gave the monthly expenditure report for the District Operations account. Getting close to the end of the FY when spending must stop for the end of year close
- He reported that he had been subpoenaed for District Court Case between Trey Early and his ex-wife Erin concerning a farm that Jamey had visited with Teresa Andrews (Guilford Co. Stormwater)
- Jamey reviewed where the cuts were for our 2024-2025 budget.

### **New Business**

George asked if we would consider hosting the State Commission meeting here in Guilford County, he thinks in November. WE may assist in finding the hotel, meeting space and possible tours for the pre-work session on Tuesday, the main meeting will be on Wednesday morning.

*Since there was no other business Josh moved to adjourn the meeting at 11:25 am; Grace seconded and the motion was approved.*

**Next Meeting: Wednesday, June 5, 2024, at 9:00 am in the Guilford Barn Kitchen Meeting Room.**

*Anna Amorello*

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Secretary/Treasurer