

GUILFORD SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

FY 2022 – 2023 Meeting Number 3 September 7, 2022 Minutes

Supervisors Present:

George Teague, Chair Josh Myers, Vice Chair Anna Amoriello, Secretary/Treasurer Ray Briggs, Member Harold Alexander, Member

Others Present:

Jamey Walker, S&W Conservation Manager Gary Cox, S&W Conservation Technician Nicole Carolan, Soil & Water Coordinator Millie Langley, Soil Conservationist Brandon King, NRCS Sup. Soil Conservationist

The board meeting was called to order by Chairman, George Teague, at 9:05 AM at the Guilford Agriculture Center Auditorium. Social distancing policies were met. George read the Conflict of Interest Statement and asked if there were any conflicts of interest; none were stated.

<u>Agenda</u>

George Teague asked everyone to review the agenda as presented. Josh moved to approve the agenda as presented and Harold Alexander seconded, the motion was approved.

Minutes

George asked if everyone had reviewed the minutes from the August meeting. Josh Myers moved to approve the August minutes as presented. Ray Briggs seconded, and the motion was approved.

Comments from the County

Leslie Bell was unable to attend the meeting.

NRCS

Brandon King gave the NRCS update. He stated that the NRCS fiscal year is ending and they are working to obligate all CSP contracts by Friday 09/09/2022. Brandon also mentioned a basic surveying training class and having it sometime in October.

District Conservation Programs

Gary Cox presented the Cost Share Program update. Gary noted that we received all funds allocated for Ag Cost Share, AgWRAP, and the Impaired/Impacted Stream programs for 2023. Applications have been received and are currently being assessed and ranked. The following applications are seeking approval before the board.

Gary next presented one AgWRAP contract for request for payment approval below. *Josh moved to approve, and Harold seconded the motion. The motion was approved.*

41-2022-801 Randy Gerringer \$7,978 (AG) Well

Gary next presented before the board the following NC-ACSP applications for approval before they are ranked for 2023. Josh moved to approve the applications as presented, Ray seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

41-2023-001 Emily Fields 41-2023-002 Randy Gerringer 41-2023-003 Ellen Miller

41-2023-004 Ronald Strader

Gary also presented the following Ag Cost Share applications and AgWRAP applications before the board for approval. *Harold moved to approve the applications as presented, Josh seconded the motion. The motion was approved.*

- (2) Erosion Control BMPs (Critical Area, Waterways, Field Border)
- (4) Stream Protection
- (3) Cover Crop
- (2) Sediment Removal
- (2) Irrigation Wells
- (1) Center Pivot

Gary mentioned that the regional application period for AgWRAP applications ends on November 18th. Gary was happy to report one approved VAD application which belongs to Craven and Claude Smith. This approved application brings an additional 83.51 acres to Guilford County's VAD and EVAD totals.

District Operations/Education

The monthly expenditure reports were reviewed by the board. Both the Regular and Foundation reports were discussed, and no questions or comments were noted. It was reported that the county has fully executed both the Beaver Management Assistance Program (BMAP) and the Stoney Creek project.

Millie provided the board members an update on the Stoney Creek project which included the mention of DEQ assessment, a potential endangered species survey of mollusks by the Wildlife Resources Commission, and the acquisition 401/404 permitting. Millie also mentioned that the budget sheet for Stoney Creek has been fully updated and approved.

Jamey and Gary reported that the StRAP contract has been successfully signed by the county and sent to Raleigh.

Jamey also reported that the weed wiper is currently being looked at and worked on to see if it can be rented out for public use once more.

The board discussed the upcoming Area 3 Fall meeting and the NCASWCD 79th Annual Meeting. The Area 3 Fall meeting is scheduled for October 27th in Randolph County and the NCASWCD 79th Annual Meeting is scheduled for January 8th-10th at the Harrah's Cherokee Casino Resort.

New Business

No new business to report.

Adjournment

With no other business to discuss, Josh moved to adjourn the meeting at approximately 10:14 am. Anna seconded, and the motion was approved.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, October 5th, 2022 at 9:00am in the Guilford County Agriculture Building Auditorium.

Secretary/Treasurer

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