



GUILFORD SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

FY 2022 – 2023 Meeting Number 4 October 5, 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
Jordyn Rosichen, NRCS Soil Conservationist
Ralston James, DSWC Reg. Coordinator
Dan Marcum, Associate Supervisor

The board meeting was called to order by Chairman, George Teague, at 9:08 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; George stated that he had two conflicts and would recuse himself from voting at that time.

Agenda

George Teague asked everyone to review the agenda as presented. It was noted that one adjustment would be made to the agenda to include Dan Marcum's update to the board under New Business. Josh Myers moved to approve the agenda as presented with the addition and Harold Alexander seconded, the motion was approved.

Minutes

George asked if everyone had reviewed the minutes from the September meeting. Harold Alexander moved to approve the September minutes as presented. Anna Amoriello seconded, and the motion was approved.

Reappointment of Supervisor

The board opened the floor to nominations for supervisor re-appointment. At this time George Teague recused himself. Josh Myers motioned to reappoint George Teague for another four-year term as supervisor, Harold Alexander seconded, and the motion was unanimously approved.

Comments from the County

Leslie Bell reported that all outstanding contracts from recent projects and programs have been signed. Leslie deferred to Jamey Walker to present the StRAP update. Leslie had no other updates for the board at this time.

NRCS

Brandon King gave the NRCS update. He stated that the NRCS fiscal year for 2022 has come to an end and they are looking forward to FY 2023. Across Team 3 approximately \$3 million of funding was implemented for various projects across the area. Brandon stated that they are actively approving CSP applications and look to tentatively close EQIP applications on October 14th. At this time NRCS has obligated \$85,480 in cost share money. One CSP application has

been awarded \$26,420 and one EQIP application has been awarded \$59,060. Brandon stated a need for more outreach and education on NRCS programs for the Guilford County community. Jordyn Rosichen was mentioned to lead this community outreach initiative in the upcoming months.

District Conservation Programs

Gary Cox presented the Cost Share Program update. Gary noted that applications have been assessed, ranked, and a total of \$35,493 in cost share funds have tentatively been allocated for 2023.

Gary presented the following NC-ACSP applications before the board for approval. *Josh moved to approve the applications as presented, Anna seconded the motion. The motion was approved.*

41-2023-005 Buds & Blooms	7,000 (CS)	Sediment Removal
41-2023-006 Kirby Sheppard	3,675 (CS)	Cover Crop
41-2023-007 Cobb & Black	2,573 (II)	Cover Crop

Gary presented the following NC-ACSP contracts before the board for approval. Gary noted that the number one ranked contract was not listed because it is awaiting an engineering design. Funds have been set aside to cover this contract. *Anna moved to approve the contracts as presented, Harold seconded the motion. The motion was approved.*

41-2023-002 Randy Gerringier	10,924 (CS)	Waterways, Field Borders
41-2023-004 Ronald Strader	7,000 (CS)	Pond Sediment Removal
41-2023-007 Cobb & Black	2,573 (II)	Cover Crop

Gary presented the following NC-ACSP contract before the board for approval. George Teague made a note to recuse himself from voting on this contract because of a conflict of interest. *Josh Myers moved to approve the contract as presented, Ray seconded the motion. The motion was approved.*

41-2023-003 Ellen Miller	4,006 (CS)	Heavy Use Area
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Gary next presented the following NC-AgWRAP application for approval before the board. *Harold moved to approve the application as presented, Anna seconded. The motion was approved.*

41-2023-801 Ol' Red Farm	10,990 (AG)	Well
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41-2023-801 Ol' Red Farm	10,990 (AG)	Well
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Gary noted that the Agricultural Water Resources Assistance Program (AgWRAP) is accepted

Regional applications up until November 18th, 2022.

Guilford County's VAD and EVAD totals are 16,797.67 acres and 1,737.24 acres respectively.

Jamey gave the StRAP program update and stated that the project contract must be completed by January 4th, 2023 because a quarterly report is required and due on January 31st, 2023. Jamey noted that a committee will be compiled to review bids presented from contractors. This committee may include members of the board, FSA staff, Soil and Water staff, and staff from Guilford NC Extension.

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.

Jamey requested that the board approve the purchase of two sign holders up to \$100.00 for the tree sale signs. *Harold moved to approve this request for sign holder purchase up to \$100, Josh seconded. The motion was approved.*

Millie provided the Stoney Creek update and reported that they are awaiting DEQ approval of the budget and a revised form must be signed. They are seeking a contractor to complete the endangered mussel study in the creek. Once these actions are complete the project can move forward.

Staff are looking forward to 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.

The NACD 77th Annual Meeting is coming up and is set to occur February 11-15, 2023 in New Orleans, LA. Millie requested from the board approval for funds up to \$1,600 to cover the costs of registration and lodging. *Ray motioned to approve the request for funds up to \$1,600, Harold seconded. The motion was approved.*

New Business

Dan Marcum presented new business before the board in the form of an update from the Jordan Lake One Water (JLOW) partnership. As a member of one workgroup in JLOW Dan plays an active role in keeping informed about the happenings of Jordan Lake.

Adjournment

With no other business to discuss, Josh moved to adjourn the meeting at approximately 10:42 am. Ray seconded, and the motion was approved.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, November 2nd, 2022 at 9:00am in the Guilford County Agriculture Building Auditorium.



Secretary/Treasurer