

Minutes
Forsyth Soil and Water Conservation District Board Meeting
July 20, 2020

The Forsyth SWCD Board met on July 20, 2020 by teleconference.

Present: Toby Bost, Chair
Wes Schollander, Vice Chair
Beth Tucker, Secretary/Treasurer
Jordan Jones, District Supervisor
Mike Bowman, Soil & Water Conservationist
Jerry Dorsett, Soil & Water Conservationist
Rick McSwain, Regional Coordinator
James Boyett, Supervisory Soil Conservationist

Call to Order

Toby Bost called the meeting to order at Noon.

The State Government Ethics Act mandates that at the beginning of any meeting the Chair reminds all the members of their duty to avoid conflicts of interest and inquire as to whether any member knows of any conflict of interest or potential conflict with respect to matters to come before the Commission. If any member knows of a conflict of interest or potential conflict, please state so at this time.

Minutes/Financial Report

Minutes of the regular session of the SWCD Board meeting on June 8, 2020 were reviewed and approved by unanimous consent.

The financial report of the SWCD was reviewed and approved by unanimous consent.

NRCS

James Boyett stated there are only 3 members on Team 4 at this time. He discussed the EQIP contracts in Forsyth County and also explained the opportunities concerning the mentor program. James reminded the board about the changes to the MOA and the opportunity for the board to revise the existing document.

DSWC

Rick McSwain informed the board members that the NC Farm Act was signed into law. There are still some clarification issues with both the JAA section and the confidentiality portion, and these issues will delay the implementation of the legislation. He discussed the Mutual Aid Agreement and what it means to district offices. The Local Work Group meeting for Team 4 will be hosted online by the Forsyth SWCD on August 12 at 1:00 pm.

NC Agriculture Cost Share Program

A request for payment was presented from Titan Cattle LLC for CPO 34-2019-007 in the amount of \$13,544. Beth Tucker made a motion for approval. The motion was seconded by Jordan Jones and was passed unanimously.

Old Business

Beth Tucker made a motion to recommend Jordan Jones for reappointment by the Commission. Wes Schollander seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously, with Jordan Jones abstaining.

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 12:30 p.m.

The next meeting date:

August 10, 2020 at NOON by teleconference

Respectfully submitted,

Recording Secretary

Chair, Forsyth SWCD

cc: NCDA&CS: Division of Soil and Water
Rick McSwain, Regional Coordinator