Minutes Forsyth Soil and Water Conservation District Board Meeting March 8, 2021

The Forsyth SWCD Board met on March 8, 2021 by teleconference.

Present: Toby Bost, Chair

Wes Schollander, Vice Chair Elizabeth Tucker, Secretary/Treasurer Jordan Jones, District Supervisor Neal Dagenhart, District Supervisor Kim Gressley, Extension Director Mike Bowman, Soil & Water Conservationist Jerry Dorsett, Soil & Water Conservationist Rick McSwain, Regional Coordinator

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 Board. 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 February 8, 2021 were reviewed and approved by unanimous consent. The financial report of the SWCD was reviewed and approved by unanimous consent

NRCS

Jim Propst sent a report informing the board that EQIP ranking and planning is continuing to move forward. Field assistance is being given to projects that are underway.

DSWC

Rick McSwain stated that there are several virtual training opportunities that can be found on the Division website. He said that there are funds available for boards to purchase Covid related items up to \$500. JAA is moving forward and the Commission will initially adopt 20 BMP's. Local work group meetings will be held in April. The NCPP survey ends March 15.

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Kim Gressley said the Soil & Water office is operating under the Covid guidelines established by Forsyth County.

NC Agriculture Cost Share Program

An application was presented from Fair Share Farm for Cover Crop. Jordan Jones made a motion for approval. The motion was seconded by Beth Tucker and it was passed unanimously. The contract for Fair Share Farm in the amount of \$600 for CPO 34-2021-006 was presented. A motion for approval was made by Jordan Jones and seconded by Beth Tucker. The motion was passed unanimously.

An application was presented from Eller Farms LLC for Stream Protection System. Beth Tucker made a motion for approval. The motion was seconded by Wes Schollander and it was passed unanimously. The contract for Eller Farms LLC in the amount of \$17,700 for CPO 34-2021-007 was presented. A motion for approval was made by Beth Tucker and seconded by Wes Schollander. The motion was passed unanimously.

An application was presented from Heritage Harvest LLC for an AgWrap well. Jordan Jones made a motion for approval. The motion was seconded by Wes Schollander and it was passed unanimously. The contract for Heritage Harvest LLC in the amount of \$9,871 for CPO 34-2021-801 was presented. A motion for approval was made by Jordan Jones and seconded by Wes Schollander. The motion was passed unanimously.

Beth tucker made a motion to cancel contract numbers 34-2019-002, 34-2019-004, 34-2019-007, and 34-2019-804. Jordan Jones seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 12:25 p.m.

The next meeting date: April 13, 2021 at Noon Beth Tucker farm

Respectfully submitted,

Recording Secretary

Chair, Forsyth SWCD

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