Minutes Forsyth Soil and Water Conservation District Board Meeting October 10, 2016

The Forsyth SWCD Board met at 5:00 p.m. on October 10, 2016 in the Forsyth County Agriculture Building, Room 11.

Present: Toby Bost, Chair

Wes Schollander, Vice Chair

Beth Tucker, Member James Knox, Member Ed Wall, Member

Mark Tucker, Cooperative Extension Director Mike Bowman, Soil & Water Conservationist Jerry Dorsett, Soil & Water Conservationist Rob Baldwin, DSWC Regional Coordinator Lisa Fine, DSWC Environmental Specialist

Call to Order

Toby Bost called the meeting to order at 5:00.

Minutes/Financial Report

Minutes of the regular session of the SWCD Board meeting on September 12, 2016 were reviewed and approved as presented.

The financial report of the SWCD was reviewed and approved as presented.

Division of Soil & Water

Rob Baldwin discussed the Supervisor Training requirements and the various challenges being ironed out within this process. He informed the board that that Julie Groce had resigned as Executive Director of the Association. Rob also indicated that it is possible that the regional allocation for CCAP could be delayed until March.

Forsyth County

Mark Tucker reminded the board that the Farm City Banquet will be held on Wednesday, November 2, and that the recently approved Farmland Protection Plan will be highlighted. He also reminded the board that Heritage days will be held on October 11, 12, and 28. He discussed the viability and effects of the "Nickels for Know-How Referendum", which will be held on November 1.

NC Agriculture Cost Share Program

A request for payment was presented from Mike Westmoreland for CPO 34-2017-005 in the amount of \$1,500. James Knox made a motion for approval. The motion was seconded by Beth Tucker and was passed unanimously.

A request for payment was presented from Larry W. Boyles for CPO 34-2016-007 in the amount of \$2,700. James Knox made a motion for approval. The motion was seconded by Ed Wall and was passed unanimously.

A request for a 6 month extension was presented from Chris Crump for CPO 34-2015-802. James Knox made a motion for approval. The motion was seconded by Wes Schollander and was passed unanimously.

New Business

The board discussed the reappointment of Ed Wall. Beth Tucker made a motion to recommend reappointment to the Commission. The motion was seconded by Wes Schollander and was passed unanimously, with Ed Wall abstaining.

Lisa Fine reviewed the results of the Program Review with the board members. After discussing the review, the board decided on following the recommendation contained within the review.

A request to support Creek Week was discussed. Beth Tucker made a motion to contribute \$1,000. The motion was seconded by James Knox and was passed unanimously.

Beth Tucker updated the board on the progress being made with the Star Farm Program. Ed wall made a motion to support the development of the program. The motion was seconded by James Knox and was passed unanimously.

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The meeting was adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

The next meeting date:

November 14, 2016 at 5:00 p.m. Forsyth County Agriculture Building, Room 11

Respectfully submitted,		
Secretary	Recording	
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Chair, Forsyth SWCD

cc: NCDA&CS: Division of Soil and Water Rob Baldwin, Regional Coordinator Rhonda Ferguson, NRCS Administrative Assistant Damon Sanders-Pratt, Deputy County Manager