Minutes

Forsyth Soil and Water Conservation District Board Meeting September 10, 2009

The Forsyth SWCD Board met at 9:00 a.m. on Thursday September 10, 2009 in the Forsyth County Agriculture Building, Auditorium A. The meeting was called to order by Toby Bost, Vice-Chairman.

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Ed Wall, Secretary-Treasurer

Steven Anderson, Member

Beth Tucker, Member

Mike Bowman, Soil & Water Conservationist

Linda Birdsong, Community Conservation Coordinator

Dede DeBruhl, District Conservationist

Michelle Lovejoy, Area 2 Coordinator

Minutes/Financial Report

Minutes of the regular session of the SWCD Board meeting on August 13, 2009 were reviewed. The minutes were approved as presented.

The Financial Report of the SWCD Board was reviewed. The item was approved as presented.

Natural Resources Conservation Service

Dede DeBruhl discussed the Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP) and Mary Combs' request for input from the district board members on the allocation process. Dede explained the ranking changes for FY 2009. Board members provided their suggestions.

Dede explained the new Conservation Stewardship Program (CSP). A continuous sign-up is underway. She has sent a news article to the W-S Journal and to the Forsyth FSA office for inclusion in their September newsletter.

Division of Soil and Water Conservation

Michelle Lovejoy reported that the Executive Committee voted to hire Aycock Group to facilitate the Strategic Planning process. They will be seeking information from the Districts.

Michelle reminded members of the upcoming Area 2 District Issues Committee Meeting on September 22nd and the Area 2 Fall Meeting on October 8th.

Michelle gave a state budget update on DSWC funding for FY2010.

NC Agricultural Cost Share

Contract Approvals

An application was presented from Frank Beeson for a cover crop. Beth Tucker made a motion for approval. The motion was seconded by Ed Wall and it was passed unanimously. The contract for Frank Beeson in the amount of \$120 for CPO 34-10-02-02 was presented. A motion for approval was made by Beth Tucker and seconded by Ed Wall. The motion was passed unanimously.

Request for Payment

A request for payment was presented from Emerson Crawford for CPO 34-08-18-16 in the amount of \$1,894. Beth Tucker made a motion for approval. The motion was seconded by Ed Wall and was passed unanimously.

CCAP

An application was presented from Lezah Arney for a rain garden. Steve Anderson made a motion for approval. The motion was seconded by Beth Tucker and it was passed unanimously. The contract for Lezah Arney in the amount of \$842 for CPO 34-10-502-16 was presented. A

motion for approval was made by Steven Anderson and was seconded by Beth Tucker. The motion was passed unanimously.

An application was presented from Cathy Boyer for a rain garden. Steve Anderson made a motion for approval. The motion was seconded by Beth Tucker and it was passed unanimously. The contract for Cathy Boyer in the amount of \$320 for CPO 34-10-503-16 was presented. A motion for approval was made by Steven Anderson and was seconded by Beth Tucker. The motion was passed unanimously.

An application was presented from Don McEwan for impervious surface conversion. Steve Anderson made a motion for approval. The motion was seconded by Beth Tucker and it was passed unanimously. The contract for Don McEwan in the amount of \$2,160 for CPO 34-10-504-16 was presented. A motion for approval was made by Steven Anderson and was seconded by Beth Tucker. The motion was passed unanimously.

An application was presented from Sheilah Lombardo for a rain garden. Steve Anderson made a motion for approval. The motion was seconded by Beth Tucker and it was passed unanimously. The contract for Sheilah Lombardo in the amount of \$513 for CPO 34-10-505-16 was presented. A motion for approval was made by Steven Anderson and was seconded by Beth Tucker. The motion was passed unanimously.

Old Business

A van will be reserved for board members and staff attending the Area 2 Fall Meeting in Taylorsville, NC on October 8th.

New Business

Ed Wall made a motion to purchase fifty promotional planners. Beth Tucker seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.

Ed Wall made a motion to apply for Matching Funds. Steve Anderson seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 10:05 a.m.

The next meeting date:

October 15, 2009 at 9:00 a.m. The Forsyth County Agriculture Building, Auditorium A

	Respectfully submitted,
	Recording Secretary
Chairman, Forsyth SWCD	

cc: NCDENR: Division of Soil and Water Michelle Lovejoy, Area 2 Coordinator Kay Starns, NRCS Area 2 Secretary Damon Sanders-Pratt, Deputy County Manager