

## MINUTES

**DUPLIN** 

Soil and Water Conservation District, held at

**Duplin Agribusiness Center** 

**DSWCD Conference Room 208** 

Kenansville, NC 28349

Meeting Number: 2

DATE: August 1, 2022

**Supervisors Present:** 

Franklin Williams, Ann Herring, George Mainor, Louis Howard, William Kilpatrick

**Watershed Commission Present**:

William F. Pickett, Jr., Harvey Lee Kennedy, Ann Herring

**District & NRCS Staff Present:** 

Billy Ivey, Matthew Swinarski, Kristy Dail, Vickie Baker, Cole Smith, Angie B. Quinn

**Others Present:** 

Kristina Fischer

Call to Order:

Williams called the meeting to order at 6:31 PM and welcomed everyone.

Minutes:

• Minutes of the Board Meeting held <u>July 11, 2022</u>, were approved as read. Herring made and Kilpatrick seconded the motion to accept the minutes as presented. Motion carried.

# NACD - National Association of Conservation Districts Update:

- Williams informed the group that the SE NACD meeting was held in Puerto Rico, July 17-19, 2022. He expressed his gratitude to Myles Pane for accepting the SE Hall of Fame Award on his behalf.
- Quinn informed the group that due to lack of interest in the NACD Temp Position, that the Board consider reclassifying it to a part-time position. After much discussion, the group to decided to keep the position full-time. Applications will be accepted until filled.

## **District Supervisor for Re-Appointment:**

Herring made and Howard seconded the motion to re-appoint George Mainor to the Board of Supervisors.
 His new term will run December 1, 2022 through December 1, 2026. Motion carried.

Next Meeting Date: <u>09/12/2022</u> Time: <u>6:30 PM</u>

Place: <u>Duplin Agribusiness Center</u> <u>Room 208, District Board Room</u>

Kenansville, NC 28349

Signature

NOTE: Minutes are numbered by FY. This is FY 2022-2023.

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Quinn informed the group that a motion to pay FLP dues of \$100.00 was voted on and approved at the October meeting. Herring made and Kilpatrick seconded a motion to amend the previous motion to transfer funds from Food, Land and People, to the Environmental Education Program. Motion carried.

Baker presented the following NCACSP Contracts for approval:

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31-2023-003	John Sullivan	Cover Crop	\$ 9,977
31-2023-004	Corey Gregory	Cropland Conversion	\$ 7,182
31-2023-005	Seth Turner	Pasture Renovation	\$14,997
31-2023-006	Linwood Henderson	Cover Crop	\$ 1,890
31-2023-007	Wm D Kilpatrick	Cropland Conversion	\$14,999
31-2023-008	William Herring	Cover Crop	\$ 9,977
31-2023-009	Triple M Farms	Cover Crop	\$ 9,977
31-2023-010	Donna S. Smith	Pasture Renovation	\$ 8,200
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Herring made and Mainor seconded the motion to approve the contracts. Kilpatrick abstained from the vote. Motion Carried.

Baker presented three new Swine and Dairy Program applications for acceptance. Herring made and Mainor seconded the motion to accept the applications. Motion carried.

Smith presented the following AgWrap Pond Applications and requested Letters of Support:

John C. Smith, Elijah C. Baker, Stuart Davis and Carroll Cottle

Kilpatrick made and Herring seconded the motion to accept the applications and submit Letters of Support. Motion carried.

#### Federal Programs Update:

Sweeting-Faircloth presented various NRCS updates (eligibility letters/CSP renewals/EQIP rollout dates) for informational purposes.

## **Emergency Watershed Protection (EWP) Updates:**

Quinn presented the Sarecta Road, NC 111 and Dark Branch Projects EWP Request for Proposals bid tabulations sheet. The bids came in above the approved EWP budget. Quinn is working to have either the budget or scope of work revised.

Quinn notified the group that one request for qualifications packet was received by GPI Greenman-Pedersen, Inc. Engineering and Construction Services for the Cabin Lake dam assessment. GPI Greenman-Pederson, Inc. Engineering and Construction Services will submit a quote for the dam assessment in the next few weeks.

#### **StRAP Funding Update:**

Ivey presented the Limestone & Muddy Creeks Maintenance StRAP funding bid tabulations sheet. D & D Construction was the low bidder in the amount of \$135,300.00. After much discussion, Kennedy made and Herring seconded the motion to award the contract to the low bidder, D & D Construction, in the amount of \$135,300.00. Motion carried.

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Ivey presented the Limestone Creek Stream Debris Removal StRAP funding bid tabulations sheet. SnatchIt Clearing was the low bidder in the amount of \$204,396.00. Kennedy made and Herring seconded the motion to award the contract to the low bidder, SnatchIt Clearing, in the amount of \$204,396.00. Motion carried.

Ivey presented the Muddy Creek Stream Debris Removal StRAP funding bid tabulation sheets. Hall's Tree Service was the low bidder in the amount of \$162,200.00. Kennedy made and Herring seconded the motion to award the contract to the low bidder, Hall's Tree Service, in the amount of \$162,200.00. Motion carried.

### Stream Debris Removal Update:

Smith presented a Request for Payment for Sections 1 and 2 of Cypress Creek on behalf of Hall's Tree Service in the amount of \$56,000.00. Mainor made and Herring seconded a motion to approve the Request for Payment. Motion carried.

Smith presented a Request for Payment for Sections 4 and 5 of Rockfish Creek2 on behalf of J & J Environmental in the amount of \$99,600.00. Mainor made and Herring seconded a motion to approve the Request for Payment. Motion carried.

#### **Education Programs Update:**

Dail presented a request to pay the Coastal Envirothon dues in the amount of \$100.00. Mainor made and Herring seconded the motion to pay the 2023-2024 dues. Motion carried.

### Various Correspondence Update:

Williams presented various handouts and reports noting upcoming events for information purposes. Quinn reminded the Board that Daylight Savings time began this month. She requested the Board consider changing the meeting time to either 9:00 AM or 5:30 PM during the winter months. It was the consensus of the group to table this discussion until another time.

#### **Next Board Meeting:**

The Annual Christmas Meal will be served at 5:30 PM, followed by our Board Meeting Monday, December 5, 2022 at 6:30 PM.

#### Adjourn:

There being no further business, Williams adjourned the meeting at 7:33 PM.