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MINUTES

DUPLIN Soil and Water Conservation District, held at Duplin Agribusiness Center
Soil and Water Board Room
Kenansville, NC 28349

Meeting Number: 2 DATE: August 14, 2023

Supervisors Present:

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

Watershed Commission Present:

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

District & NRCS Staff Present:

Shaquar Moses, Cole Smith, Vickie Baker, Jordon Lane, Angie B. Quinn

Others Present:

Myranda George, Myra George, Tommy George

Call to Order:

Williams called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM and welcomed everyone.

Minutes:

Minutes of the Board Meeting held July 10, 2023, were approved as read. Kilpatrick made and Herring seconded the motion to accept the Minutes as presented. Motion carried.

Minutes of the special called Board Meeting held July 17, 2023, were approved as read. Howard made and Kilpatrick seconded the motion to accept the Minutes as presented. Motion carried.

Watershed Minutes:


Minutes of the Board Meeting held July 10, 2023, were approved as read. Kennedy made and Herring seconded the motion to accept the Minutes as presented. Motion carried.

Resource Conservation Workshop:

Myranda George (RCW student from Duplin Early College) gave a report on her experiences while attending the 2023 Resource Conservation Workshop that was held June 25-June 30, 2023, at North Carolina State University. Myranda expressed many thanks to Smithfield Foods and Duplin Soil and Water Conservation for their sponsorship.

Next Meeting Date: 09/11/2023 Time: 6:30 PM

Place: Duplin Agribusiness Center
Room 208, District Board Room
Kenansville, NC 28349


Signature

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NACD-National Association of Conservation Districts Update:

Williams gave highlights of the SE NACD meeting that was held in Savannah, Georgia.

Quinn informed the group that the current NACD temp position will be vacant, effective August 21, 2023. The current employee in this position, David Whaley, has accepted an offer to work part-time with the Division in the same capacity and stationed in Duplin County.

Quinn informed the group that Duplin County was currently working under the 2021 NACD grant that will expire early 2024. Quinn informed the group that both the County and NRCS were fully staffed, and the full-time temp position was not needed at this time. After much discussion, Howard made and Mainor seconded the motion to return the unused funds. Motion carried.

Federal Programs Update:

Lane presented various NRCS updates for information.

NC Division of Soil and Water Conservation:

Quinn presented the Regional Coordinator’s calendar and newsletter for information noting upcoming dates and meetings.

Duplin SWCD – NC Ag Cost Share/NC AgWrap:

Baker presented the following District allocations that were granted by the Commission on Wednesday, July 19, 2023, for information.

- Program Year 2024 Cost Share Allocation = \$75,139
- Impaired/Impacted Area Special Funds = \$17,675
- Total PY24 NCACSP Allocation = \$92,814
- Program Year 2024 AgWrap Allocation = \$30,011

Baker presented the following PY23 contract expirations:

31-2021-007	Louis Howard	Water Control Structure	\$ 719
31-2021-805	Grady Family Farms	Well-Irrigation	\$ 5,000
31-2021-809	William Kilpatrick	Well-Irrigation	\$ 5,000

Baker requested that the contracts be canceled without imposing future ranking penalties on producer, due to circumstances beyond their control. Mainor made and Herring seconded the motion to cancel the contracts without prejudice. Howard and Kilpatrick abstained from the vote on personal contracts. Motion carried.

Baker presented the following PY23 contract expirations:

31-2021-013	Michael Wallace	Critical Area Planting	\$ 6,073
31-2021-802	Joseph Bivens	Well-Livestock	\$ 5,000

Herring made and Kilpatrick seconded the motion to cancel the contracts and return the funds to the Division. Motion carried.

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