

MINUTES

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

Meeting Number: 1

DATE: July 10, 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:

Sara Sweeting-Faircloth, Cole Smith, Vickie Baker, Jordon Lane, Angie B. Quinn

Call to Order:

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

Minutes:

Minutes of the Board Meeting held June 5, 2023, were approved as read. Kilpatrick made and Howard seconded the motion to accept the Minutes as presented. Motion carried.

Minutes of the Board Meeting held June 29, 2023, were approved as read. Kilpatrick made and Herring seconded the motion to accept the Minutes as presented. Motion carried.

Watershed Minutes:

Minutes of the Board Meeting held June 5, 2023, were approved as read. Kennedy made and Herring seconded the motion to accept the Minutes as presented. Motion carried.

NACD-National Association of Conservation Districts Update:

Williams updated the group on various upcoming events for NACD.

Federal Programs Update:


Sweeting-Faircloth 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.

Next Meeting Date: 08/14/2023 **Time:** 6:30 PM

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


Signature

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Baker informed that group that the NC Soil & Water Conservation Commission will meet on July 19, 2023, to discuss Program Year 2024, funding allocations for Cost Share and AgWRAP programs.

Baker presented the spot check inspections report for information.

Baker presented a revised ranking sheet for the 2024 Strategic Plan to include the Impaired Impacted HUC numbers for NCACSP/AgWRAP. Mainor made and Howard seconded the motion to approve the revised ranking sheet. Motion carried.

Baker presented four new NCACSP Applications for acceptance. (Livestock Exclusion-S.Rabon; Cropland Conversion-E.Carlton, G.D.Olsen; Cover Crop-J&A Farming) Kilpatrick made and Mainor seconded a motion to accept the applications. Motion carried.

Baker notified the group that due to heavy rains, engineering and contractual issues, the following contracts have been delayed and she requests a District Supervisor's accompaniment at the next Commission Meeting to request extensions for the contracts:

31-2019-007	Adam C. Grady	Grassed Waterway	\$15,814.00
31-2021-001	Adam C. Grady	Cropland Conversion	\$ 5,996.00
31-2023-012	Grady/Southerland	Grassed Waterway	\$ 1,283.00

Baker presented the following CREP Request for Payment:

31-2023-301	Miss Grace Farms LLC	CREP-Hardwoods	\$ 2,423.00
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Kilpatrick made and Mainor seconded the motion to approve the Request for Payment. Motion carried.

Smith presented four new NC AgWRAP Applications for acceptance. (Well-F.N. Barwick, M.M. Cottle; Pond Retrofit-K. Smack, M.M. Cottle) Kilpatrick made and Howard seconded a motion to accept the applications. Motion carried.

Smith presented the following Swine & Dairy NCACSP Contract containing forms NCACSP-1, NCACSP-2, and NCACSP-11, for approval pending final cost estimate:

31-2024-101	Dalton K. & Connie Jones	Lagoon Closure	\$56,776.00
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Kilpatrick made and Howard seconded a motion to approve the new contract pending the final cost estimate. Motion carried.

Beaver Management Assistance Program:

Quinn presented the 2023-2024 Cooperative Services Agreement. Howard made and Kilpatrick seconded the motion to accept the Agreement as presented. Motion carried.

Stream Debris Removal/StRAP Funds Update:

Smith presented the following Stream Debris Removal Contract for approval:

Cooks Branch	J & J Environmental	\$ 24,448.00
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Howard made and Kilpatrick seconded the motion to approve the new Contract. Motion carried.

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Smith presented the following PL 566 Request for Payment for approval pending inspection:

Limestone and Muddy Creek Maintenance D & D Construction \$133,500.00

Kennedy made and Herring seconded the motion to approve the Request for Payment pending inspection. Motion carried.

Various Correspondence Update:

Quinn presented various handouts and reports noting upcoming events for information.

Next Board Meeting:

Due to the timing of the NACD SE Regional Meeting to be held in Savannah, Georgia, the next regularly scheduled Board Meeting will be held, **August 14, 2023, at 6:30 PM.**

Adjourn:

There being no further business, Williams adjourned the meeting at 7:31 PM.