

**Minutes**  
**Forsyth Soil and Water Conservation District Board Meeting**  
**March 14, 2022**

The Forsyth SWCD Board met on March 14, 2022 in Auditorium B of the Forsyth County Agriculture Building.

Present: Wes Schollander, Vice Chair  
Beth Tucker, Secretary/Treasurer  
Neal Dagenhart, District Supervisor  
Jordan Jones, District Supervisor  
Kim Gressley, Extension Director  
Mike Bowman, Soil & Water Conservationist  
Rick McSwain, Regional Coordinator  
Roger Toledo, NRCS  
Emily Broadbent, NRCS  
Kaitlyn Markey, NRCS

**Call to Order**

Wes Schollander called the meeting to order at 9:35 a.m.

The State Government Ethics Act mandates that at the beginning of any meeting the Chair reminds all the members of their duty to avoid conflicts of interest and inquire as to whether any member knows of any conflict of interest or potential conflict with respect to matters to come before the Board. If any member knows of a conflict of interest or potential conflict, please state so at this time.

**Minutes/Financial Report**

Minutes of the regular session of the SWCD Board meeting on February 14, 2022 were reviewed and approved by unanimous consent. The financial report of the SWCD was reviewed and approved by unanimous consent.

**Forsyth County**

Kim Gressley updated the board on the status of open positions in the county department. She discussed the upcoming Volunteer Luncheon. Kim gave an overview of the proposed Event Center and new Ag Building in Tobaccoville.

**DSWC**

Rick McSwain discussed upcoming meetings concerning the proposed High Rock Lake watershed rules. He informed the board that John Beck is the new cost share program manager. He reminded the supervisors about the training requirements and mentioned a few upcoming training opportunities. Rick gave an overview of the new cost share program called StRAP.

**NRCS**

Roger Toledo updated the board on the progress of the six EQIP applications in process.

**Cost Share Programs**

An application was presented from Marvin Eaton for Cover Crop and No Till. Beth Tucker made a motion for approval. The motion was seconded by Jordan Jones and it was passed unanimously. The contract for Marvin Eaton in the amount of \$20,790 for CPO 34-2022-002 was presented. A motion for approval was made by Beth Tucker and seconded by Jordan Jones. The motion was passed unanimously.

An application was presented from Neil Westmoreland for Cover Crop and Heavy Use Area Protection. Jordan Jones made a motion for approval. The motion was seconded by Beth Tucker and it was passed unanimously. The contract for Neil Westmoreland in the amount of \$3,842 for CPO 34-2022-004 was presented. A motion for approval was made by Jordan Jones and seconded by Beth Tucker. The motion was passed unanimously.

An application was presented from Daniel Lasley for Critical Area and No Till. Neil Dagenhart made a motion for approval. The motion was seconded by Jordan Jones and it was passed unanimously. The contract for Daniel Lasley in the amount of \$7,260 for CPO 34-2022-005 was presented. A motion for approval was made by Neal Dagenhart and seconded by Jordan Jones. The motion was passed unanimously.

A request for payment was presented from Martha Cates for CPO 34-2020-001 in the amount of \$1,400. Beth Tucker made a motion for approval. The motion was seconded by Jordan Jones and it was passed unanimously.

Beth Tucker made a motion to submit three projects for consideration of CCAP regional funding. The motion was seconded by Neal Dagenhart and it was passed unanimously.

#### **New Business**

Beth Tucker made a motion to discontinue the practice of purchasing yearly planners for distribution at the Farm City Banquet. The motion was seconded by Jordan Jones and was passed unanimously.

The board reviewed a letter from Vernon Cox concerning the lack of an Animal Waste Technical Specialist in the Forsyth District.

#### **Adjourn**

The meeting was adjourned at 12:30 p.m.

#### **The next meeting date:**

April 11, 2022 at 9:30 a.m.  
Forsyth County Agriculture Building

Respectfully submitted,

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Recording Secretary

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Chair, Forsyth SWCD

cc: NCD&CS: Division of Soil and Water  
Rick McSwain, Regional Coordinator