

Minutes
Forsyth Soil and Water Conservation District Board Meeting
August 20, 2024

The Forsyth SWCD Board met on August 20, 2024 in Room 106 of the Forsyth County Agriculture Building.

Present: Toby Bost, Chair
Wes Schollander, Vice Chair
Mark Apple, District Supervisor
Mike Bowman, Soil & Water Conservationist
Elise McLaughlin, Regional Coordinator
Tyquan Davis, NRCS

Call to Order

Toby Bost called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. He asked if there were any potential conflicts of interest and there were none.

Minutes/Financial Report

Minutes of the regular session of the SWCD Board meeting on May 7, 2024 were reviewed and approved by unanimous consent.

NRCS

Tyquan Davis reported that the HEL compliance effort is moving along. He gave an EQIP update and mentioned there were several sites available for potential cost share funding. Ty performed a Civil Rights review with the board and discussed the Non-Discrimination Statement.

DSWC

Elise provided the board with an update on the StRAP funding, including the various processes of the program and the importance of project viability. She reminded the board of the opportunities available concerning the standing committees of the Association. Elise also discussed upcoming meetings and trainings, including the Area 2 Fall meeting

Cost Share Programs

The board discussed several cost share applications. Wes Schollander made a motion to approve 34-2025-001, 34-2025-002, 34-2025-003, 34-2025-004, 34-2025-005, 34-2025-006, 34-2025-007, 34-2025-008, 34-2025-801, and 34-2025-802. Mark Apple seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.

The board discussed several cost share contracts. Wes Schollander made a motion to approve 34-2025-001, 34-2025-002, 34-2025-003, 34-2025-004, 34-2025-005, 34-2025-006, 34-2025-007, 34-2025-008, 34-2025-801, and 34-2025-802. Mark Apple seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.

A request for payment was presented from Charles Cain for CPO 34-2024-006 in the amount of \$8,748. Mark Apple made a motion for approval. The motion was seconded by Wes Schollander and it was passed unanimously.

A request for payment was presented from Charles Cain for CPO 34-2025-001 in the amount of \$1,260. Mark Apple made a motion for approval. The motion was seconded by Wes Schollander and it was passed unanimously.

A request for payment was presented from Terry Crater for CPO 34-2024-801 in the amount of \$10,000. Wes Schollander made a motion for approval. The motion was seconded by Mark Apple and it was passed unanimously.

A request for payment was presented from Terry Crater for CPO 34-2025-801 in the amount of \$324. Wes Schollander made a motion for approval. The motion was seconded by Mark Apple and it was passed unanimously.

New Business

The Area 2 Association of Soil & Water Conservation Districts requested a donation of \$50 to support the CET. Wes Schollander made a motion to approve the request. The Motion was seconded by Mark Apple and it was passed unanimously.

Old Business

The Foundation grant opportunity was discussed. Wes Schollander made a motion not to pursue the funding. Mark Apple seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 10:29 a.m.

The next meeting date:

September 17th, 2024 at 9:30 a.m.
Forsyth County Agriculture Building

Chair, Forsyth SWCD

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