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Yadkin Soil and Water Conservation District, held at Yadkinville NC.

Meeting Number 3

Date: September 26, 2013

Supervisors Present:

Others Present:

Lenuel Chamberlain

Jason Walker (Department Head)

Van Hemric

Leigh Calloway (Technician)

Jo Linville

Rick Bailey (NRCS)

Bobby J. Matthews Jr.

Dick Everhart (Resource Institute)

Minutes of meeting held August 22, 2013 approved as: read () corrected ()

The Yadkin Soil and Water Conservation District Supervisors met at the Yadkin Valley Seafood in Yadkinville at 7:40 pm September 26th, 2013. Chairman Chamberlain called the meeting to order. The agenda was reviewed. Van Hemric made a motion to approve the agenda and Bobby J. Matthews Jr. seconded it. Motion carried 4-0. The August 22, 2013 minutes were reviewed. Van Hemric made a motion to approve the minutes and Jo Linville seconded it. Motion carried 4-0.

Jason Walker presented the FY 2014 allocations. For the North Carolina Agriculture Cost Share Program (NC ACSP) Yadkin County has received \$51,043. For the Community Conservation Assistance Program Yadkin County has received \$2,385. For technical assistance Yadkin County has been allocated \$24,857 and \$1,065 for operating expenses.

The board reviewed the applications for the NC ACSP. The district received six applications this year. Three are for watering systems, two are for incinerators and one is for a composter. Bobby J. Matthews Jr. made a motion to approve all six of the NC ACSP applications and Van Hemric seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

The board reviewed the NC ACSP applicant's ranking scores. The top ranking scores are the first to be funded. The scores are as follows: 156.5 for a watering system, 150 for an incinerator, 129 for a watering system, 127 for a watering system, 90 for an incinerator, and 85 for a composter. Van Hemric made a motion to approve the NC ACSP ranking scores and Jo Linville seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

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Jason Walker presented a request for payment for NC ACSP contract 99-2012-005. The BMP is an incinerator and the total request for payment is \$8,957. Jo Linville made a motion to approve the request for payment and Bobby J. Matthews Jr. seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

Jason Walker presented two supplement contracts for NC ACSP. Supplement contract 99-2014-001 completes contract number 99-2013-007. This supplement, for \$3,682, will fully fund the cooperator for a litter spreader truck. Supplement contract 99-2014-002 completes contract number 99-2012-003. This supplement, for \$8,856, will complete two grassed waterways. Van Hemric made a motion to approve supplement contract 99-2014-001 and 99-2014-002. Jo Linville seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

Jason Walker informed the board that the district must complete an application for matching funds from the Division of Soil and Water. The amount of the matching funds is \$3,600. Van Hemric made a motion to approve the application for matching funds and Jo Linville seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

Jason Walker presented the first quarter technical assistance request to the board. The amount requested for Yadkin County to be reimbursed from the Division of Soil and Water is \$8,254.78. Bobby J. Matthews Jr. made a motion to approve the technical assistance request and Van Hemric seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

Jason Walker informed the board that the Division of Soil and Water has requested an amendment to the NCDA&CS Division of Soil and Water Conservation/DSWC-District Matching and Technical Assistance Agreement. Last year the district completed the original agreement which continued to allow the Division of Soil and Water to provide matching funds and technical assistance to the county districts. This year, an amendment is required to reflect the change in the amount of funds allocated to the district. Jo Linville made a motion to approve the amendment to the agreement. Bobby J. Matthews Jr. seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

Jason Walker presented the Waste Lagoon Closure Grant Agreement from the North Carolina Foundation for Soil and Water Conservation. The grant is for the closure of a waste storage pond on the Douglas dairy farm. The total project amounts to \$10,500. The landowner is committed to 25% of the cost (\$2,625). The NCFSWC is awarding \$7,875 for the project. Jo Linville made a motion to approve the grant agreement and Bobby J. Matthews Jr. seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

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Rick Bailey provided a NRCS update for the board. On September 10, 2013 Rick called around to three board members (Lenuel Chamberlain, Bobby J. Matthews Jr. and Grady Shore) to get approval for three conservation plans that are part of three Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) contracts through the FSA office. All three of these contracts extend CRP payments for another 10 years on existing stands of trees. Rick also informed the board that the Local Work Group met to decide this upcoming year's priority as far as conservation goes. The group decided to keep the priorities the same as last year. The top priorities are cooperators practicing long term no-till and those who are fencing cattle out of streams.

Dick Everhart talked with the board about the Western Stream Initiative Program. Dick explained that the board needed to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with Resource Institute before any projects under the Western Stream Initiative can begin. Dick also explained that by signing a Resolution accompanied by the MOU, the district can avoid any legal responsibility involving the project funding and/or maintenance of the project. Resource Institute will oversee the projects. Not all of the documents are ready for approval at this time. The board will review the MOU and Resolution at a later date.

Rick Bailey asked the board permission to finalize Job Approval Authority for Dennis Wiles and Jason Walker for engineering practices. The board has already voted to approve the JAA for both Jason and Dennis.

Jason Walker provided an update on the 5D park. Construction has begun on one of the fishing piers. Jason estimates park development will be well underway by spring.

Jason Walker also informed the board that the district is gathering quotes to replace the small drill. No decision has been made yet.

The district thanks and congratulates Jo Linville and Bobby J. Matthews Jr. for 15 years of service with the Yadkin County Soil and Water Conservation District. Awards will be giving out at the Area 2 Fall Meeting, which will be October 10th in Newton, NC.

Being no other business the meeting adjourned at 8:45pm.

Lenuel Chamberlain, Chairman