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

Meeting Number 3

Date: November 15, 2012

Supervisors Present:

Lenuel Chamberlain

Bobby J. Matthews Jr.

Van Hemric

Grady Shore

Others Present:

Jason Walker (Department Head)

Dennis Wiles (Technician)

Leigh Calloway (Technician)

Minutes of meeting held September 27, 2012 approved as: read (X) corrected (___)

The Yadkin Soil and Water Conservation District Supervisors met at the Yadkin Valley Seafood in Yadkinville at 7:10 pm November 15, 2012. Chairman Chamberlain called the meeting to order. The agenda was reviewed. Van Hemric made a motion to approve the agenda and Grady Shore seconded it. Motion carried. The September 27th, 2012 minutes was reviewed. Van Hemric made a motion to approve the minutes and Grady Shore seconded it. Motion carried.

Jason Walker gave an update on 5D. Yadkin Soil and Water sends a yearly report to the Army Corps of Engineers for wetland mitigation due to the construction of the dam. Reports are finished and have been sent. There is one more year after this one to report to the ACE. The 404 permit required a 100' buffer around the normal pool and all tributaries. This buffer is required to be surveyed and placed into a permanent conservation easement. The PARTF grant will supply \$500,000 to go toward phase one of the 5D park. The county must match the grant.

Jason informed the board about the drill trading process. We are going to trade our two 10ft. drills for two identical 10ft. drills for \$20,000. The drills have been ordered and will arrive sometime in February. We will put Farm Bureau stickers on one of the new drills. After this year we will trade for a new drill each year so that the drills will be on a three year rotation.

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Jason provided the board with a Cost Share update. This year, Yadkin Soil and Water has received \$10,000 in the High Rock Lake Grant; \$49,300 in Ag Cost Share; and \$28,437 in Technical Assistance. In years past, we have funded all contracts through NRCS EQIP funds first and used NC Ag Cost Share funds last since we receive much less in NC Ag Cost Share than EQIP. Usually, it has been February before we start spending cost share and this will probably be the case again this year. Technical Assistance will now be treated as a grant. Yadkin Soil and Water must fill out a contract agreement in order to receive the technical assistance funds each quarter. The contract reviews the purpose of Soil and Water and why the county needs reimbursement for salaries and other expenses. The contract is good through June 30, 2015; each year the contract will need to be amended to reflect the new technical assistance amount for that year. Van Hemric made the motion to approve the Technical Assistance Grant Contract and Grady Shore seconded it. Motion carried.

Along with the Grant Contract a tracker sheet must be filled out every month. This spreadsheet keeps track of technical assistance provided, practice installation and management. Bobby J. Matthews Jr. made a motion to approve the technical assistance spreadsheet and Van Hemric seconded it. Motion carried.

The Business Plan was reviewed. Jason explained to the board that the business plan lays out all the projects, reports and deadlines for the next year. The plan further implies Soil and Water's partnership with NRCS. Van Hemric made a motion to approve the business plan and Bobby J. Matthews Jr. seconded it. Motion carried.

Leigh Calloway reminded the board of the annual meeting, January 6th-8th, 2013. Any supervisors that are planning on attending need to register before December 1st.

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

Lenuel Chamberlain, Chairman