

Yadkin Soil and Water Conservation District Board Meeting
Thursday, August 21, 2025; 7:00 pm

Meeting Minutes

Meeting Number: 1

Date: August 21, 2025

Supervisors Present

Lenuel Chamberlain
Greg Moxley
Van Hemric
Justin Somers

Staff Present

Caleb Poplin – Director
Justin Bledsoe – Technician
Jennifer Angell – Administrative Assistant

Others

Elise McLaughlin - Division
Shelby Kaplan - Division

Lance Parker – NRCS

The Yadkin Soil and Water Conservation District Board of Supervisors met in the Yadkin Agricultural Building in Yadkinville on Thursday, August 21, 2025. Board Chair Lenuel Chamberlain called the meeting to order at 7:20 pm. A quorum was present.

Caleb Poplin (Director) read aloud the Ethics and Professionalism Statement. No conflicts of interest were acknowledged. No board action is required.

The agenda was reviewed. Greg Moxley motioned to approve the agenda as written and Justin Somers seconded. Motion carried 4 – 0.

The minutes of the meeting held on May 15, 2025 were reviewed. Greg Moxley motioned to approve the minutes as written and Justin Somers seconded. Motion carried 4 – 0.

The minutes for the Special Session and Closed Session held on June 9, 2025 were reviewed. Greg Moxley motioned to approve the minutes as written and Justin Somers seconded. Motion carried 4 – 0.

Informational

Request for Payment – Since the last meeting, we have submitted three Requests for Payment. \$3,330.00 for contract 99-2023-002 – Heavy Use Area Protection, Fencing, Watering Tanks; \$799.00 for contract 99-2023-006 – Heavy Use Area Protection; \$4,575.00 for contract 99-2024-003 – Rooftop Runoff System. No board action is required.

Contract Update – The cooperator has cancelled Contract 99-2023-005. No board action is required.

High Rock Lake Update – Caleb Poplin shared the High Rock Lake Digitization Project Report, a copy of which was provided to the board. He also presented a draft of new proposed rules that would impact the agricultural sector in the High Rock Lake watershed, a copy of which was provided to the board. These rules are still subject to modification at this point. No board action is required.

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Yadkin SWCD Update – Caleb Poplin advised the board that funding from the county has been appropriated for a new tractor. The budget is \$90,000.00. He and Justin Bledsoe have been participating in demonstrations from vendors of various products that would be suitable for mowing the dams. No decision has been made at this point. No board action is required.

Division Update – Elise McLaughlin summarized the monthly Division Update, a copy of which was provided to the board. No board action is required.

NRCS Update – Lance Parker spoke briefly about the NRCS activities in the area. No board action is required.

Cost Share Program Review Summary – Shelby Kaplan presented the Cost Share Program Review. Overall, the District office was one of the easiest to review. She highlighted a few things for the District to be mindful of in the future. No board action is required.

New Business

Cost Share Program Review Response – Caleb Poplin detailed the District's response to the Program Review. Van Hemric motioned to approve the response and Greg Moxley seconded. Motion carried 4 – 0.

Resolution – Elise McLaughlin discussed the area districts' desire to collaborate with state and federal partners to develop strategies for providing rapid spot treatment options for small-scale streambank stabilization. Caleb Poplin presented a resolution that supports the request. Van Hemric motioned to approve the resolution and Greg Moxley seconded. Motion carried 4 – 0.

Annual Report – The Annual Report for the fiscal year 2025 was presented. Van Hemric motioned to approve the Annual Report and Greg Moxley seconded. Motion carried 4 – 0.

Annual Plan of Work for FY 2026 – The Annual Plan of Work for FY 2026 was presented. Van Hemric motioned to approve the Annual Plan of Work and Greg Moxley seconded. Motion carried 4 – 0.

VAD – Conservation Plan – A USDA Conservation Plan for a cooperator to participate in the Voluntary Agricultural District program was presented. Greg Moxley motioned to approve the Conservation Plan and Van Hemric seconded. Motion carried 4 – 0.

Policies for Review and Approval – Caleb Poplin advised the board that Local Cost Share Policies established by the board need to be reviewed for any changes and approved for the current fiscal year. Current board-approved policies regarding the implementation of the Agriculture Cost Share Program (ACSP) and the Agricultural Water Resources Assistance Program (AgWRAP) in the district are:

- A. No access roads;
- B. No incentive-based best management practices (BMPs);
- C. ACSP well payments are capped at \$10,000;
- D. AgWRAP well payments are capped at \$10,000;
- E. No cropland conversions;
- F. No participation in the new or limited resource farmer incentive; and
- G. Lenuel Chamberlain has signatory authority for RFPs outside the district board meeting.

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Van Hemric motioned to approve the policies and Justin Somers seconded. Motion carried 4 - 0.

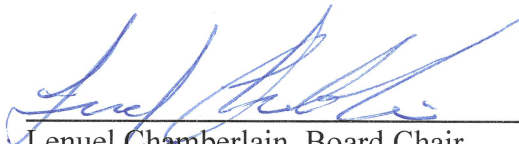
NC Agriculture Cost Share Program – A breakdown of the Cost Share Allocation received for this fiscal year was presented. No board action is required.

Cost Share Applications and Rankings – Caleb Poplin presented applications and rankings for the following best management practices to the board: an AgWRAP Water Supply Well; a Rooftop Runoff Management System and a Grassed Waterway; a Waste Management System; two different Rooftop Runoff Management Systems; and a Heavy Use Area protection with Fencing, a Well, and Watering Tanks. Van Hemric motioned to approve the applications and rankings and Greg Moxley seconded. Motion passed 4 – 0.

Lenuel Chamberlain asked if there was any additional business to discuss. No new business was presented.

Justin Somers motioned to adjourn the meeting and Van Hemric seconded. Motion carried 4 – 0.

The meeting adjourned at 8:20 pm.



Lenuel Chamberlain, Board Chair
Yadkin Soil and Water Conservation District

09.18.25
Date