

MINUTES
CABARRUS SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT BOARD MEETING
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2012

Supervisors Present: Jeff Goforth, Louis Suther, Ned Hudson and Johnathon Johnson

Staff Present: Dennis Testerman, Daniel McClellan and Amy Griffith

Others Present: Chris Childers, USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service; Ralston James, NC Division of Soil & Water Conservation; Kelly Sifford, Cabarrus County Planning & Development Department Director

(1) Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Jeff Goforth at 5:16 p.m.

(2) Approval of Agenda

UPON MOTION of Johnathon Johnson, seconded by Ned Hudson and unanimously carried, the board approved the agenda, with the addition of Item 5-A, Conservation Easement Ranking Form.

(3) Approval or Correction of Minutes

UPON MOTION of Johnathon Johnson, seconded by Ned Hudson and unanimously carried, the board approved the minutes of the October 2, 2012 regular meeting.

(4) Consent Agenda

UPON MOTION of Louis Suther, seconded by Ned Hudson and unanimously carried, the board approved the Consent Agenda.

(4-A) Staff/Partner Report

(4-B) Conservation Plans

- Mitchell Haigler 34.1 acres
- Jeremy Wayne 26.3 acres

(4-C) Application/Contracts/Requests for Payments - Conservation Cost-Share Programs

NC Agriculture Cost Share Program Contracts:

- Mitchell Hill & W.C. Hill Jr., #13-13-03-16, \$9,813.00, Livestock Exclusion/Tank/Well

(4-D) Conservation Agreements

- Justin Widenhouse
- Jeremy Wayne
- Benjamin Frye

(4-E) Application for Matching Funds for Soil & Water Conservation Districts

(5) Unfinished Business

(5-A) Conservation Easement Ranking Form

Staff developed the ranking form based on the ADFP and FRPP grants. The form will be used to assist staff on writing applications. There was a general discussion among the board and staff regarding using the ranking form.

UPON MOTION of Ned Hudson, seconded by Johnathon Johnson, the board approved the Conservation Easement Ranking Form.

(6) New Business

(6-A) Mogensen Mitigation Partnership Proposal

Dennis Testerman presented a draft agreement between the District and the consulting firm, Mogensen Mitigation. The partnership will help with stream restoration in the county. Mogensen has worked on several projects in the county. The proposal has been sent to the County Attorney for his review and edits. There was a discussion among staff and board members regarding the process for approving the agreement. By consensus, the board agreed that the agreement will be considered for approval at a future meeting as revised by the county attorney.

(6-B) Presentation of Plaques to Jeff Goforth and Bob Carruth and Certificate to Johnathon Johnson

Ned Hudson presented a plaque to Jeff Goforth from the NC Association of Soil & Water Conservation Districts for 10 years of service. Jeff Goforth presented a certificate to Johnathon Johnson for his 4 years of service to the board. A plaque will be presented to Bob Carruth, outgoing Board of Commissioners liaison to the District, at the November Commissioners meeting.

(7) Adjourn

UPON MOTION of Johnathon Johnson, seconded by Ned Hudson and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned at 6:05 p.m.

Jeff Goforth, Chairman

Ned Hudson, Secretary/Treasurer