Minutes Forsyth Soil and Water Conservation District Board Meeting April 15, 2025

The Forsyth SWCD Board met on April 15, 2025 in Room 106 of the Forsyth County Agriculture Building.

Present: Toby Bost, Chair

Wes Schollander, Vice Chair Mark Apple, District Supervisor Jordan Jones, District Supervisor

Mike Bowman, Soil & Water Conservationist Madeline Loman, Soil & Water Conservationist

Tyquan Davis, NRCS

Elise McLaughlin, Regional Coordinator

Call to Order

Toby Bost called the meeting to order at 9:29 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 March 25, 2025 were reviewed and approved by unanimous consent. The financial report of the SWCD was reviewed and approved by unanimous consent.

DSWC

Elise discussed the various surveys associated with Helene relief efforts. She reminded the board of the upcoming State Envirothon and the RCW. Supervisor training credits were discussed as well as upcoming opportunities to earn credits.

NRCS

Tyquan Davis reported that all EQIP applications received by Team 4 have been ranked. The team is awaiting the final funding decisions.

Cost Share Programs

A request for payment was presented from James Hester for CPO 34-2024-001 in the amount of \$5,285. 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 Herman Pickett for CPO 34-2025-006 in the amount of \$1,587. Mark Apple made a motion for approval. The motion was seconded by Jordan Jones and it was passed unanimously.

A request for payment was presented from Rod Poindexter for CPO 34-2024-003 in the amount of \$788. Jordan Jones made a motion for approval. The motion was seconded by Mark Apple and it was passed unanimously.

New Business

Wes Schollander made a motion to approve and submit the 2026 Strategic Plan. Mark Apple seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

The board members discussed the Edward Jones situation concerning neglect of duty. Mr. Jones has now missed 3 consecutive board meetings. Wes Schollander made a motion to recommend removal of Mr. Jones to the Commission. Mark Apple seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

AdjournThe meeting was adjourned at 10:15 a.m.

The next meeting date:

May 20, 2025 at 9:30 a.m. Forsyth County Agriculture Building

Chair, Forsyth SWCD

NCDA&CS: Division of Soil and Water cc: Elise McLaughlin, Regional Coordinator