

**RICHMOND SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
MEETING of the BOARD of SUPERVISORS**

**RICHMOND COUNTY AGRICULTURAL SERVICE CENTER
COUNTY EXTENSION SERVICE BOARDROOM
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

FRIDAY, February 13, 2015 @ 10:00 AM

SUPERVISORS PRESENT:

Jeff Joyner, Chairman
Jared Gainey, Vice Chairman (absent)
Pat D. Dial, Secretary/Treasurer (absent)
Cecil Robinson, Member
Tommy Deese Sr., Member

OTHERS PRESENT:

Jackie McAuley, Administrative Assistant
Matthieu Quick, Natural Resource Conservationist I
Vilma Mendez, District Conservationist, NRCS
Lori Tadlock, County Liaison
Louise Hart, Central Regional Coordinator

CALL to ORDER

Chairman Joyner called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

**ITEM NO. 1 – APPROVAL of FEBRUARY AGENDA, JANUARY
MINUTES and YTD FINANCIAL REPORT**

On a motion by Robinson, seconded by Deese, the board unanimously approved the minutes of January 2015, the year to date treasurer's report and the February 2015 Agenda as presented.

ITEM NO. 2 – OPEN FORUM for PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no appearances during the board's open forum.

ITEM NO. 3– MESSAGE from BOARD CHAIRMAN

Jeff W. Joyner, Richmond SWCD Chairman

Joyner suggested that the Board extend an invite the Richmond County Commissioners to send a representative to attend a supervisor board meeting. McAuley reminded Joyner that NCAWCD Executive Director Dick Fowler will be attending the March 2015 supervisor board meeting.

Joyner welcomed Matthieu Quick, Natural Resource Conservationist, to Richmond Soil & Water Conservation District. Joyner asked Quick to contact Moore SWCD and Harnett SWCD about scheduling sometime to observe/learn their ACSP technicians.

**ITEM NO. 4 –AGRICULTURAL COST SHARE PROGRAM (ACSP)
MONTHLY REPORT**

Matthieu Quick, Natural Resource Conservationist

Quick reported that the current balances of Agricultural Cost Share Program balance is \$45,913 (\$6,149 ending balance) and the Impaired Impacted Stream Incentive balance - \$10,374.

Quick reported that the District received 3 applications for ACSP funds (approved at Jan. 2015 meeting). All three applications were ranked and scored by current District strategy plan. Quick requests board approval on two ACSP contracts:

- #77-2015-001-16, Waste Storage Structure (2 chicken houses).
- #77-2015-002-16, Waste Storage Structure (4 chicken houses with incinerator).

After discussion and a few questions, Joyner called for a motion. Deese motioned to approve the contracts and Robinson seconded. Joyner called for a vote and the motion unanimously passed. Chairman Joyner signed the two contracts.

Quick suggested that the landowner of the third contract #77-2015-003-16 (Waste Storage Structure for two chicken houses) apply with NRCS.

ITEM NO. 4 – NATURAL RESOURCE CONSERVATION SERVICE
MONTHLY REPORT

Vilma Mendez, District Conservationist

Mendez will be taking EQIP applications for the second batching through March 20th.

ITEM NO. 6 – DIVISION of SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION
MONTHLY REPORT

Louise Hart, Central Regional Coordinator

Hart updated the board and directed their attention to the Central Regional Coordinator report for the board members to review. Hart suggested Quick attend the upcoming Envirothon at Raven Rock State Park. McAuley reminded the board that Richmond is next in line for the Envirothon rotation. Joyner stated that he had already decided that Richmond SWCD would not host the Envirothon competition.

ITEM NO. 7 – DISTRICT ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION PROGRAM
MONTHLY REPORT

Jackie McAuley, Administrative Assistant

Joyner requested McAuley to provide the Board with a complete report of the District's Environmental Education Program at the March board meeting. Joyner restricted upcoming Earth Day programs at local schools to be offered to elementary schools only for two weeks in April.

ITEM NO. 8 – DISTRICT OFFICE MONTHLY REPORT

Jackie McAuley, Administrative Assistant

McAuley reminded board members of upcoming deadlines and events. McAuley gave each board member a draft copy of the Area VII policies.

After a lengthy discussion, Robinson made a motion, seconded by Deese, the board approves an updated lease and maintenance agreement, drawn up by the No-till drill committee, pending the approval of Richmond County Finance Director. The board unanimously approved.

The recommendation of the No-till drill committee is to continue to house, maintain, and lease out both drills. The District should search for funding to replace the John Deere drill with an updated model.

ITEM NO. 9 – ANYTHING for the GOOD of the DISTRICT

There were no issues discussed during the board's open forum.

MOTION to ADJOURN

There being no further business for discussion, Chairman Joyner called the meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

Jackie McAuley
Administrative Assistant for Board of Supervisors

Jeff W. Joyner, Chairman
Richmond SWCD Board of Supervisors

Next Scheduled Meeting: March 13, 2015 at 10:00 a.m.

Place: Richmond County Extension Services Boardroom