

CABARRUS SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

Tuesday November 5, 2019, 5:30 p.m.

Multipurpose Room

Supervisors in attendance: Vicky Porter, Tommy Porter, Jeff Goforth, Ned Hudson, Zach Moffitt

Others in attendance: Kelly Sifford (department head), Daniel McClellan (staff), Tammi Remsburg (staff), Chuckie Bass (staff)

(1) Call to Order

Chair Vicky Porter called the meeting to order at 5:35 p.m. by reading the following:

“In the interest of preserving public confidence in the actions of this Board, the chair reminds members of their duty to avoid any conflicts of interests and inquires as to whether any member knows of any conflict of interest or potential conflict of interest with respect to matters to come before the Board.”

(2) Approval of Agenda

UPON MOTION of Tommy Porter, seconded by Ned Hudson, and carried unanimously, the Board approved the November 5th agenda with the following additions:

6.5 Wilson Easement

6.5a First Right of Refusal

6.5b Transfer assignment

6.6 JLP Holdings LLC 13-2018-004 Request for Payment

(3) Approval or Correction of Minutes for October 1 Meeting

UPON MOTION of Ned Hudson, seconded by Zach Moffitt and carried unanimously, the Board moved to approved the minutes for the October 1st meeting as written.

(4) Informational Items

4.1 Division Funds Report

Chuckie Bass updated the Board on the status of current projects.

4.2 Education/Communications Report

Tammi Remsburg updated the Board on education programs. The results from Big Sweep Cabarrus data was shared: 4 schools and 1 public event; 34 bags weighing 170 pounds; 51 students and 19 adults participated. The largest issue in our county was food wrappers and Styrofoam cups and plates, along with small pieces of plastic and Styrofoam.

4.3 Conservation Easement Report

Vicky Porter had a reporter contact her about an article in the Urban Institute's publication about conservation easements. Tammi Remsburg gave her the statistics that were needed.

Discuss ensued about the Porter's 173 acre easement. During monitoring, it was determined that a silage pile was outside the farmstead envelope. A plan of action will be written up to correct this.

(5) Old Business

5.1 Update on Houston property

Tammi Remsburg and Kelly Sifford updated on this property in Harrisburg. There is still some question about the access easement to the property. Our lawyer, Rich Koch looked at what we had in the way of deeds and maps and determined that there was not a legal access using those documents. He has been asked to do title work to see what is the access to the property.

5.2 Sam Flowe Update

Daniel McClellan reported that after sending the letter to Sam Flowe concerning compliance, he is hiring Concord engineering to get what is needed to start the process.

(6) New Business

6.1 Meeting dates for 2020

Tammi Remsburg gave some possibilities for January/February meetings. The S & W annual meeting conflicts with the regular January meeting date. The Board decided to hold a January 28th meeting to take care of January and February business. That will be the first meeting of the New Year and

will be held at the Cooperative Extension Building, as will the rest of the year's meetings.

6.2 Food Land and People

Tammi Remsburg asked the Board to sponsor the \$100 donation to the NC Association of Soil & Water Conservation Districts for Food Land and People curriculum trainings. UPON MOTION by Tommy Porter, seconded by Ned Hudson, and carried unanimously, the Board moved to send the \$100 donation to the Association for Food, Land and People.

6.3 Bullock Project

6.3a contract (supplement) 13-2020-501 \$5178

Daniel McClellan reported that there is a 2019 contract in place and that the state engineers keep changing plans. The grant is due November 30th. There is a contractor lined up to do the work. Total cost will be \$12,188. There will need to be money from 2020 to make up the difference from the 2019 contract. The 2020 contract cannot be written yet-- awaiting state engineers' input. UPON MOTION of Jeff Goforth, seconded by Ned Hudson, and carried unanimously, the Board moved to approve contract 13-2020-501 including supplement to be written.

6.4 Lewis Cress

6.4a AgWrap Well Supplement (13-2020-803) **Revision \$1440**

UPON MOTION of Tommy Porter, seconded by Zach Moffitt, and carried unanimously, the Board moved to approve the AgWrap contract 13-2020-803 for the well supplement for Lewis Cress.

6.5 Wilson Easement

Daniel McClellan explained that Davidson Lands Conservancy had contacted us and 3 Rivers Land Trust about the Wilson easement. Davidson Lands Conservancy owns the property and CSWCD and 3 Rivers Land Trust jointly hold the conservation easement. Davidson Lands Conservancy said that they would like to sell the property. After discussion, the Board said that they did not want to purchase the property, nor did they want to maintain the assignment of the easement if the property is sold by Davidson Lands Conservancy.

6.5a First Right of Refusal and

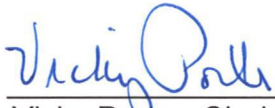
6.5b Transfer assignment- Both of these items were discussed by the Board. UPON MOTION of Jeff Goforth, seconded by Tommy Porter and carried unanimously, the Board moved to decline the Right of First Refusal for the Davidson Land Trust property contingent upon them accepting as an assigned the easement that we currently hold.

6.6 JLP Holdings LLC Request for Payment contract 13-2018-004 \$32,837

UPON MOTION of Tommy Porter, seconded by Jeff Goforth, and unanimously carried, the Board approve the RFP for 13-2018-004. Zach Moffitt did not vote due to employer relations. The Board unanimously approved his recusal on this item.

(7) Adjourn

UPON MOTION of Tommy Porter, seconded by Jeff Goforth, and carried unanimously, the Board moved to adjourn at 6:45 p.m.



Vicky Porter, Chair



Tommy Porter, Secretary/Treasurer