

**CABARRUS SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT**

**Tuesday May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2022, 5:30 p.m.**

**Auditorium Cabarrus County Extension Building**

**Supervisors in attendance: Vicky Porter, Tommy Porter, Jeff Goforth,  
Eddie Moose, Kevin May Jr. Others in attendance: Kelly Sifford  
(department head), Tammi Remsburg (staff), Daniel McClellan (staff) ,  
Chuckie Bass (staff), Mitch Haigler (guest), Zach Russell (NRCS)**

(1) Call to Order

Chair Vicky Porter called the meeting to order at 5:34 p.m.

1.1 Invocation

Tommy Porter gave the invocation

1.2 Conflict of interest statement

Vicky Porter read 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."* No comments were heard.

(2) Approval of Agenda

UPON MOTION of Kevin May, seconded by Tommy Porter, and carried unanimously, the Board moved to accept the agenda with the following addition: #8 Closed Session for a Conservation Plan and renumbering #9 to be adjournment.

(3) Approval or Correction of April 5th Minutes

UPON MOTION of Tommy Porter, seconded by Jeff Goforth and carried unanimously, the Board moved to accept the April Minutes as written.

(4) Informational Items

4.1 Education

Tammi Remsburg reported on a busy April and help given to the Stanly County Soil and Water educator to help her learn the job.

4.2 Supervisor's Communications Report

Tammi Remsburg reminded of important dates: May 16<sup>th</sup> 6:30 at the Board of Commissioners' Meeting to honor contest winners and May 19<sup>th</sup> at 6 pm at Frank Liske Park for the awards picnic. Updated information in folders is to go in the supervisor's notebook. Jeff asked if he could be considered to go on the Southeast NACD meeting. He and Tammi will work out details.

4.3 Division Funds Report

Chuckie Bass reported that the Porter project was ready to pour pads. Moose project has contractor starting-Eddie asked about possible extension again. He was told that he needs to document all communication with contractor thus far. Still have \$8841 left in cost share to allocate.

#### 4.4 Conservation Easement Report

Daniel McClellan reported that the Monitoring of ALE and ADFP funded easements was completed April 26 and 27. The Mike Barrier Easement has a gully that will need to be addressed. The Porter Farm easement has some cleared places for hay and a recreation field. This has been sent to the ALE and ADFP representatives for review. The surveyor and environmental assessor have been picked and contract process started for the Davis Farm Easement.

#### 4.5 Partner Report

Zach Russell reported that he is in the Cabarrus Office 2 days a week. If he is needed, you can reach him on his cell number. He said that 12 EQUIP applications were funded in the area.

### (5) Old Business

#### 5.1 Spot checks

Chuckie Bass reported that he and Kevin May went out to do the spot checks. (Vicky Porter was unable to attend due to a scheduling issue after the date was changed.) The spot checks did not uncover any issues with the properties drawn.

### (6) New Business

Vicky Porter welcomed and introduced Mitch Haigler to the meeting. He is contemplating joining the Board as an associate member.

#### 6.1 Strategy plan

Chuckie Bass presented the strategy plan and program audit. A review of the ranking sheet was also discussed by the Board. UPON MOTION of Eddie Moose, seconded by Tommy Porter and carried unanimously, the Board moved to accept the PY 2023 Strategy Plan.

#### 6.2 July/August Meeting date

Tammi Remsburg presented two Tuesdays that the auditorium was available to change the July and August Meeting dates due to schedule conflicts. After discussion, the date of July 26<sup>th</sup> was picked. There will not be an August Meeting, July 26<sup>th</sup> counts for both months.

#### 6.3 Contract Thunderstruck Farm

Chuckie Bass presented the project for Thunderstruck Farm.

##### 6.3a Application #13-2022-004 \$17,302

UPON MOTION of Tommy Porter, seconded by Jeff Goforth, and carried unanimously, the Board moved to accept the application for #13-2022-004.

##### 6.3b Contract #13-2022-004 for pond/stream exclusion

UPON MOTION of Jeff Goforth, seconded by Kevin May, and carried unanimously, the Board moved to accept the contract #13-2022-004.

(7) Public comment (3 minutes each) No comments.

### (8) Closed Session for Conservation Plan

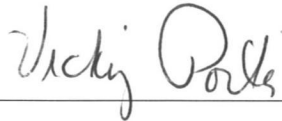
At 6:21 p.m., Chair Vicky Porter turned the meeting over to Vice Chair Jeff Goforth. UPON MOTION of

Kevin May, seconded by Tommy Porter and carried unanimously, the Board moved to go to Closed Session "due to Legally Confidential Information" based on the requirements of the Section 1619 of the Food, Conservation and Energy Act of 2008". An invitation was given to Kelly Sifford and Zach Russell. A conservation plan was approved. At 6:27 p.m. the Board returned to open session and Vice Chair Jeff Goforth returned meeting control to Chair Vicky Porter.

Vicky Porter asked if there was any additional questions or comments. A question was asked about the wastewater capacity of the county. Kelly Sifford Kelly Sifford explained the current allocation amounts and how the municipalities are determining future sewer allocations and some discussion ensued.

(8) Adjourn

UPON MOTION of Eddie Moose, seconded by Tommy Porter, and carried unanimously, the Board moved to adjourn at 6:37 p.m.



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Vicky Porter, Chairperson



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Tommy Porter, Secretary/Treasurer