

**CABARRUS SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT**  
**Tuesday June 6th, 2023, 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: Shelby Carroll (staff),**  
**Daniel McClellan (staff), Chuckie Bass (staff)**

(1) Call to Order

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 conflicts noted.

1.3 Statement of Professionalism

Vicky Porter read the following:

*"Supervisors are reminded of their responsibility to uphold the laws of the United States and North Carolina and their constitutions. Business is to be conducted in a professional manner, free of bias, of interactions that violate policies or individual liberties, and that address business issues only. Interactions are to be held with integrity, courtesy, honesty and in compliance with the highest ethical standards."*

The question was asked of the board's opinion on the state's consideration of Soil & Water Boards becoming partisan. Discussion ensued.

(2) Approval of Agenda

UPON MOTION of Eddie Moose, seconded by Tommy Porter., and carried unanimously, the Board moved to accept the agenda with the addition of item #5.3 for contract # 13-2020-009 extension date on the heavy use area on Loss Acres Farms.

(3) Approval or Correction of March 7<sup>th</sup> Minutes

UPON MOTION of Eddie Moose, seconded by Tommy Porter, and carried unanimously, the Board moved to approve the March 7<sup>th</sup> minutes as written.

#### (4) Informational Items

##### 4.1 Education

Daniel McClellan reported that Tammi has events for Project Learning Tree, RISE conference, New Cabarrus County Teacher Fair, and Project WILD.

##### 4.2 Supervisor's Communications Report

Daniel McClellan reported on registration for the Southeast Regional Meeting in Savannah, Georgia, Vernon Cox and Ralston James Soil retirements. He gave an Update on our STRAP program completion.

##### 4.3 Division Funds Report

Chuckie Bass reported that Wayne's heavy use area and Cook's both need an extension to the date of completion.

##### 4.4 Conservation Easement Report

Shelby Carroll reported that the deadlines for all easements rankings will be July 1<sup>st</sup>. She also discussed her attendance at her Conservation Fundamentals training in May.

##### 4.5 Partner Report

No updates provided.

#### (5) New Business

##### 5.1 July Meeting Date

Motion made by Kevin May Jr. to not have a Meeting in July due to it falling on a holiday. Monthly board meetings will resume in August. Motion was seconded by Tommy Porter and passed unanimously.

##### 5.2a NCACSP Application

UPON MOTION of Tommy Porter and seconded by Eddie Moose, and carried unanimously, the Board moved to accept the contract of Keith Cauthen Livestock Exclusion contract #13-2023-003.

##### 5.2b #13-2023-003 Contract

UPON MOTION of Kevin May, Jr. seconded by Tommy Porter, and carried unanimously, the Board moved to approve of contract #13-2023-003.

##### 5.3 Lost Acres Farm Deadline

UPON MOTION of Tommy Porter, and seconded by Jeff Goforth, and carried unanimously, The Board voted to extend the deadline on the Lost Acres Farm #13-2020-009 contract. This must be completed by June 30<sup>th</sup>.

#### (6) Closed Session for Conservation Plan

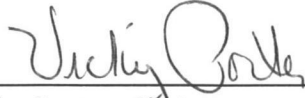
At 6:10 p.m. Chair Vicky Porter turned the meeting over to vice chair Jeff Goforth to entertain a motion to enter a "closed session due to Legally Confidential Information" based on the requirements of the Section 1619 of the Food, Conservation and Energy Act of 2008". One conservation plan was discussed and approved.

At 6:13 p.m., the Board returned to open meeting upon motion of Tommy Porter, seconded by Eddie Moose and carried unanimously.

#### (7) Public comment (3 minutes each) There were no comments.

(8) Adjourn

UPON MOTION of Vicky Porter, seconded by Tommy Porter and carried unanimously, the Board moved to adjourn at 6:14 p.m.



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Vicky Porter, Chairperson



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Tommy Porter, Secretary/Treasurer