MINUTES

Watauga Soil & Water Conservation District 971 West King Street, Boone NC 28607 November 17, 2021 Meeting #9

Present:

Denny Norris- Chair

Graham Fox- Tech

Chris Hughes

Michelle Kasey - Admin

Bill Moretz - phone

Jimmy South

Denny Norris called meeting to order

Approval of the minutes- Chris Hughes made motion to accept with one change, Jimmy South seconded.

Approval of the agenda- No opposition

Ethics Awareness and Conflict of Interest Reminder:

In accordance with the State Government Ethics Act, it is the duty of every board member to avoid both conflicts of interest and appearances of conflict. Does any board member have any conflicts of interest or appearances of conflict with respect to any matters coming before the board today? If so, please identify the conflict or appearances of conflict and refrain from any undue participation in the particular matter involved.

District Report- Graham Fox

Contract 95-2022-002: Ernest Moretz Contract drafted. Needs drinkers, exclusion fencing. Has a spring box. He has completed both the application and the contract.

Chris Hughes – Has this met specs for spring fed livestock drinker? Graham: It does meet specs.

Chris Hughes made a motion to accept the application and Jimmy South seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Graham – Ernest Moretz contract #2776 needs to be voted.

Denny Norris asked if the spring is gravity fed? Graham Fox replied that it is.

Chris Hughes made a motion to accept the contract and Bill Moretz seconded.

Contract was approved.

Contract 95-2021-002 – Larry Kitchens – Kitchens has plans for both a 20x30' pad and a 30x30' pad. He wanted a backup plan if 30x30 didn't work.

Denny Norris asked where this pad was to be installed? Graham Fox answered behind main road near house on the hill at tree line.

Denny Norris asked which year's money would be used for this since the new budget wasn't approved. Graham Fox responded with 2022. Mr. Fox also stated that we received \$10,000 in impaired and impacted funds approved.

The New Budget money is covering both Moretz and Jeff Brown contracts.

Chris Hughes asked if anyone had registered for the Annual Meeting. Michelle Kasey responded that both she and Graham are registered to go. She also responded that an email came out that stated that the original motel is full and there is an alternate. Ms. Kasey to forward email out to Board Members. Denny Norris stated that there is usually no meeting in December unless there is something important to discuss. Then he asked who was going to the annual meeting. Chris Hughes and Denny Norris are planning on going. Jimmy South is not planning to attend and neither is Bill Moretz.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:47am.

Next meeting will be January 26, 2022

Minutes submitted by: Michelle Kasey

Denny Norris, Chair