

**Durham Soil and Water Conservation District
721 Foster Street
Durham, NC 27701**

Meeting Number: 10 (District Meeting) Date: December 1, 2011
Meeting Number: 06 (for State reporting purposes)

Supervisors Present:

Robert Rosenthal, Vice Chairman
Ray Eurquhart, Supervisor
Danielle Adams, Supervisor
Kathryn Spann, Associate Supervisor

Others Present:

Eddie Culberson, Director
Lisa Marochak, Administrative officer
Jennifer Brooks, Soil Conservationist/EE Coordinator
Mike Dupree, Ag Development/Watershed Conservationist
Matthew Kinane, NRCS- District Conservationist

The regular monthly meeting of the Durham Soil & Water Conservation District Board was held on Thursday December 1, 2011, and called to order at 6:12 pm by the Vice Chairman. The meeting was held at the Soil & Water office, the Vice Chairman was present.

1. **Minutes and Financial Report** – A motion was made by Danielle Adams to accept the financial statement Ray Eurquhart seconded the motion. Motion passed without dissent. A motion was made by Danielle Adams to approve the minutes. Ray Eurquhart seconded the motion. Motion passed without dissent.
2. **Old Business**
 - A. **Upper Neuse River Basin Issues Update** – Danielle Adams reported on the following:
 - The November meeting was canceled. The Next UNRBA meeting will be held on December 14th 9:30am at Butner Town Hall.
 - B. **Environmental Affairs Board Issues Update** –Robert Rosenthal reported on the following:
 - Moving ahead with looking into hydraulic fracturing natural gas in Durham
 - C. **Director’s Report** – Eddie Culberson reported on the following:
 - **District Land**- Culberson gave an update on the NJAA Park. Culberson passed around a copy of the revised park plan.
 - **NCASWCD Annual Meeting**- The NC Association of Soil & Water Conservation District has asked the staff to do a presentation “Focus on the District” at the 2012 Annual Meeting.
 - D. **Sediment and Erosion Control Plans** –Jennifer Brooks reported that since the last meeting they have had 6 plans and all were adequate as follows: Bivins St; Stiefel Parking Expansion; Kroger Fuel Center R-331; Voyager Academy Elementary School; Aldersgate Church & Daycare Site Improvement; Baldwin Auditorium Renovation.
 - E. **Agricultural Cost Share Program**- Jennifer Brooks reported on the following:
 - **Contract revision**- Has 1 contract revision for 32-11-08-09 that was pending design. The contract is for critical area planting & livestock waterier in the amount of \$7,445. A motion was made by Danielle Adams to approve the contract revision as presented pending design. Ray Eurquhart seconded the motion. Motion passed without dissent.

J. Stream Restoration and Stormwater Projects – Eddie Culberson reported on the following:

- **Stirrup Iron Creek**- received 401 Permit back on Stirrup Iron Creek.
- Next February we will be applying for the construction on Stirrup Iron Creek, Phase V and Southern High.
- Sandy Creek Phase V (Design & Permitting) is complete

K. Watershed Rules- Mike Dupree reported on the following:

- **Falls Agriculture Subcommittee**- meeting was held on November 18th. The group developed a list of priorities for the modeling plan. The next meeting is scheduled for January 13th 9am-12pm.
- **Falls WOC** –meeting was held on November 2, 2011 1:30pm-4:00pm. John Huisman reviewed the history of the Falls rules. The next meeting is scheduled for December 16th at 9am-12pm.
 - a. **Timeline**- March 2012 registration to be completed
 - b. **First report from LAC's**- July 2012 to WOC
 - c. **Phosphorus accounting baseline**- is a key issue for the Falls, the baseline is 2006 but the only data available is the 2008 statistical survey done by CES.
- **Jordan Baseline update**
 - a. GIS imagery and a parcel list have been completed. Rob Cushman is going to run imagery on buffers and buffer acres.
 - b. Cropping history has been received by FSA.
 - c. Fertilizer rates are to be determined by a committee of three to five producers along with district personnel, and regional agronomist.

L. NRCS – Matt Kinane reported the following:

- **FRPP**- NRCS will be doing 7reviews in Durham.
- **WRP (Wetland Reserve Program)**- Applications due by Friday, December 9th.
- **NRCS is doing things a little different this year.** The chief is taking three national programs under his wings, which he will be funding. The three programs are the Organic Initiative, The High Tunnel Initiative and the Farm Energy Initiative. They are proposing three batching periods as long as the funds are available.

3. New Business:

- A. Ag Cost Share and CCAP Request for Payment**- A motion was made by Danielle Adams to allow Ray Eurquhart to sign Request for Payments for Ag Cost Share and CCAP between board meetings. Ray Eurquhart seconded the motion. Motion passed without dissent.
- B. Election of Officers**- There being no further nominations Supervisor Ray Eurquhart made a motion by acclamation to keep the officers the same. Supervisor Danielle Adams seconded the motion. Motion passed without dissent.

4. Adjourn: The vice-chairman adjourned at 7:29 pm.

Next Meeting: Monday, February 6th at 5:30pm

Robert Rosenthal - Vice-Chairman


- Secretary/Treasurer