

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

Meeting Number: 05(District Meeting) Date: June 7, 2010
Meeting Number: 10(for State reporting purposes)

Supervisors Present:

Talmage Layton, Chair
Robert Rosenthal, Vice Chairman
Curtis Richardson, Supervisor
Danielle Adams, Secretary/Treasurer
Roger Hansard, Associate 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

The regular monthly meeting of the Durham Soil & Water Conservation District Board was held on Monday June 7, 2010, and called to order at 2:02 pm by the Chairman. The meeting was held at the Soil & Water office, the Chairman and Vice Chairman being present.

1. **Minutes and Financial Report** – A motion was made by Danielle Adams to accept the financial statement Robert Rosenthal seconded the motion. Motion passed without dissent. A motion was made by Ray Eurquhart to approve the minutes. Curtis Richardson seconded the motion. Motion passed without dissent.

2. **Old Business**
 - A. **Upper Neuse River Basin Issues Update** –Danielle Adams reported that she will be attending the next meeting for the Upper Neuse tomorrow morning at 9am. Dale Threatt-Taylor from Wake Soil & Water and Gail Hughes from Orange Soil and Water will also be in attendance at the meeting.

 - B. **Environmental Affairs Board Issues Update** –Robert Rosenthal reported that Debra Lufkin is the new chair of the EAB and they now have a whole new committee. The EAB is still working on the banning of plastic bags in Durham.

 - C. **Sediment and Erosion Control Plans** –Jennifer Brooks reported that since the last meeting they have had 6 plans and all were adequate as follows: Treyburn Walking Trail, Phase 2, Accent Park, Phase 2, McKibbins Dental Office, Kaestner Residence, Westpoint 751, Cardinal Lake Phase III.

 - D. **Agricultural Cost Share Program-** Jennifer Brooks reported on the following:
 - Has a request for payment for William O’Quinn on Ag contract # 32/09/10/09. The request for payment is for a farm pond renovation for \$1,716. A motion was made by Robert Rosenthal to approve the request for payment of \$1,716 to William O’Quinn on contract #32/09/10/09. Danielle Adams seconded the motion. Motion passed without dissent.
 - Has a request for payment for David Falk on Ag contract # 32/09/13/09. The request for payment is for underground pipe for pumping live stock waste in the amount of \$1,198. A motion was made by Robert Rosenthal to approve the request for payment of \$1,198 to David Falk on contract #32/09/13/09. Danielle Adams seconded the motion. Motion passed without dissent.

- Has a request for payment for Milton Ganyard on Ag contract # 32/10/03/09. The request for payment is for a well for livestock watering in the amount of \$3,364. A motion was made by Robert Rosenthal to approve the request for payment of \$3,364 to Milton Ganyard on contract #32/10/03/09. Danielle Adams seconded the motion. Motion passed without dissent.
- E. CCAP – Soil Conservationist,** Jennifer Brooks reported that there has been no new business since the May meeting.
- F. Administrative Officer–** Lisa Marochak reported on the following:
- **Audit** – Danielle Adams will be auditing the books on June 14th at 1pm.
 - **Rain Barrels-** Rain Water Solutions is now offering the option for us to allow customers to purchase rain barrels online using a credit card. This will be no cost to the district.
 - **Supervisor Travel Funds** – Supervisor travel funds are running low so they may run out before the end of the fiscal year.
- G. Environmental Education-** Jennifer Brooks reported on the following:
- **Envirothon Teams** – Jennifer Brooks thanked the board for paying her travel expenses to attend the North American Canon Envirothon that will be held in Fresno, CA August 1st- August 8th.
 - **Food, Land & People Workshop-** This years Annual FLP Workshop will be offered on August 11th & 12th. Some invites have already gone out to the teachers and 1 teacher has already signed up to attend.
- H. Durham Farmland Protection-** Kathryn Spann reported on the following:
- **Legislative Tour** – The Legislative tour will be held next Friday, June 11th.
 - **Next meeting-** The next meeting date is scheduled for June 17th at 8am.
- I. Stream Restoration** – Eddie Culberson reported on the following:
- **Lick Creek**
 - On June 16th a final walk through of Lick Creek will be done.
 - **Baker Engineering**
 - 1) Agreement for Innovative Stormwater was executed with the following changes:
 - Added some language about the BERM
 - Added language about purchasing locally when feasible
 - Added notes to meet prior to construction and go over design.
 - ◆ Grant has an education component that is for tours/workshops targeting K-12, Legislators and resource agencies.
- J. Area Coordinator-** No report- Steve Bennett not present
- K. Falls Lake Watershed Rules** – Jennifer Brooks reported that the rules are still at the State auditor’s office for a fiscal review to determine the dollar amount the rules are going to cost the counties. Public meetings potentially will be held on June 30th and July 1st at 7:30pm. The big thing Ag is concerned with now is their definition of a stream they are using in the rules.
- L. NRCS Report** –Matt Kinane reported on the following:
- **Conservation Stewardship Program (CSP)** – The CSP has been extended for 2 weeks. Matt Kinane passed out a handout on the Conservation Stewardship Program.
 - **USDA-** Kinane discussed a negotiated computer seat charge that USDA is implementing. This charge will not affect Durham because the Durham district does not have a USDA computer.
- M. Director’s Report** – Eddie Culberson reported on the following:
- **Area IV District Issues Committee-** The next Area IV District Issues Committee meeting is scheduled for July 22nd 10am at the Franklin Soil & Water office.

- **Annual Spot Check-** The Annual Spot Check tour took place this morning at 9am and Ray Eurquhart, Danielle Adams, Matt Kinane, Jennifer Brooks, Eddie Culberson, Mike Dupree and Lisa Marochak were in attendance.
- **Johnston Farm Family** – Eddie Culberson reported that the Johnston County Farm Family Celebration will take place on June 18th.
- **Bill Holman** – Mr. Holman with the Nicholas School at Duke will be coming to the office on June 8th to teach the staff about a new nutrient training tool.
- **Strategic Planning** – Eddie Culberson discussed with the board and staff the need for a Strategic Plan. An email was sent to all board members and staff on preparing a strategic plan. Culberson asked staff and board members to read over the materials and document areas the locally lead district program needs to address.

N. **Agricultural Development and Watershed Conservationist-** Mike Dupree talked about his new position as the Agricultural Development and Watershed Conservationist.

3. New Business:

- **State Budget-** Lisa Marochak presented the FY 2010/2011 State Budget report to the board. A motion was made by Robert Rosenthal to approve the State Budget as presented. Curtis Richardson seconded the motion. Motion passed without dissent.
- **Annual Plan-** Eddie Culberson presented the FY 2010/2011 Annual Plan of Work. A motion was made by Danielle Adams to approve the Annual Plan of Work as presented. Robert Rosenthal seconded the motion. Motion passed without dissent.
- **Elected supervisors** –Lisa Marochak reported that Robert Rosenthal & Ray Eurquhart’s term will be expiring this year. The filing deadline is the 2nd Monday in June – 1st Friday in July.

4. **Adjourn:** The chairman adjourned at 3:46 PM.

Next Meeting: August 2nd at 5:30pm

Talmage Layton

Chairman

Robert Rosenthal

Vice Chairman