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Farmland Protection Program Durham Soil and Water Conservation District 721 Foster Street Durham, NC 27701

Meeting Number: 9 (Farmland Advisory Board) Date: November 11, 2010

Advisory Board Present:

Kathryn Spann- Soil & Water Representative/Chair
Neil Frank- At Large/Vice Chair
Douglas Daye- Flat River VAD
Will Wilson- Eno VAD
Melissa English- At Large
John Monroe- At Large
Becky Heron-County Commissioner
Bo Glenn- Open Space & Trails Representative
Gus Gray- Cape Fear VAD

Others Present:

Eddie Culberson- Soil & Water
Lisa Marochak- Soil & Water
Jennifer Brooks- Soil & Water
Mike Dupree- Soil & Water
Jane Korest- Open Space Manager
Wendy Seddon- Open Space & Real-estate
Michelle Wallace- Durham County Cooperative
Extension

The regular monthly meeting of the Farmland Protection Advisory Board was held on Thursday November 11, 2010, and called to order at 8:04 am by the chair. The meeting was held at the Soil and Water office, the chairman and vice chairman being present.

- 1. Minutes** – A draft copy of October 2010 minutes was sent to members prior to this meeting. A motion was made by Bo Glenn to approve the minutes. Will Wilson seconded the motion. Motion passed without dissent.
- 2. Financial Report-** No new business
- 3. Voluntary Agricultural Districts** – Eddie Culberson reported on the following:
 - **VAD Program-** No VAD applicant's since the last meeting. The VAD application for Paul Adcock on Adcock Rd for 39.773 acres was filed with the Register of Deeds.
 - **VAD Signs-** Several Board members mentioned names of land owners that need their VAD signs replaces or new ones put up. Staff will contact General Service to have the signs hung up.
- 4. Farmland Ordinance Revision subcommittee** – the next Farmland ordinance subcommittee meeting will be held on December 9th after the Farmland Board meeting.
- 5. Easement Projects Status Update-** Jane Korest reported that the deadline to submit an application to the state is December 15th. We need to schedule a ranking meeting soon to decide if and who we want to submit. A ranking meeting is scheduled for December 1st at 8am. Lisa Marochak will send out an email about the meeting.

New Business:

- 1. Workshop-** The board extensively discussed topics, speakers, themes and structure for the workshop that will be held February 12, 2011. Neil Frank is going to see if the Bahama Ruritan is available on February 12th. Further

discussion about the workshop will take place at the next board meeting on December 9th.

-Kathryn Spann and Lisa Marochak are going to come up with a draft agenda based off of the comments from today's meeting.

- 2. Board Retreat for January 2011** – Kathryn Spann discussed with the board the idea of having a board retreat in January. A date for the retreat was set for January 22nd. Location to be determined.

Set Next Meeting Date – December 9, 2010 at 8am

Adjourn – With no further discussion or business, Chairman Kathryn Spann adjourned the meeting at 10:18 am.

Kathryn Spann
Chairman

Neil Frank
Vice Chairman