

# Newberry Soil & Water Conservation District

## Monthly Meeting Minutes

Jan 11, 2022, Start Time: 7:10 p.m. Meeting Adjourned: 9:27 p.m., NSWCD Office Newberry, SC

Present: Doug Heydt, Chairman; Ben Setzler; Vice Chairman, Toni Warren, Treasurer; Mark Kiser, Secretary; Rev James Shealy; Commissioner; Crista Lukoski, District Coordinator; Scott Lukoski; KNCB Chairman

Apologies of Absence:

Next meeting: Tuesday, Feb 8, 2022, 7:00 p.m. at Newberry at NSWCD office

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### Announcements:

#### I. Agenda Items

Doug Heydt called the meeting to order and established quorum at 7:10 pm

Rev Shealy provided the invocation. Psalms 56

Minutes were approved.

*Treasurers Report:* given by Toni Warren, included bank balances as 12/31/2021 Business Checking \$21833.94, Bus. Money Market \$14,761.16 KNCB \$137.79, New CD \$52,387.56, ISE CD \$71,719.08 Total \$160839.53  
A discussion was tabled about KNCB having a separate account in QuickBooks.

*Additional Agenda Items:* Legislative Committee update from SCACD, Court Mandated Community Service

*Chairman's Report-* Staci Henry (acting District Conservationist for Newberry) called in to give an update on Newberry. She reported a new initiative for Cover Crops which will close Jan 24 2022. 60 applications for Equip are being processed. Letter of ineligibility are being sent to some applicants. There was a job posted for the District Conservationist position on USA jobs. There may be additional funding for area programs thru the BUILD BACK BETTER initiative. Staci will follow up and report at a later meeting.

*Staff Report-* Crista reported on the Grinding of the Greens event, a discussion was had about posting signs earlier in the year at locations that sell trees to capture more response to the event.

Crista reported about the Legislative breakfast set for February 2022.

A discussion was had about the SCACD conference in February, a donation for a \$50 gift card will be submitted for the raffle item.

A discussion was had about the NSWCD Scholarship for 2022, Volunteers for the committee are being requested.

Crista reported about the County Council meeting Jan 5.

Ben advised he would be attending the February County Council meeting. Crista will inform Karen to add to the agenda.

Crista reported on the 2022-2023 budget outline for the County, a discussion was had about the breakdown.

#### II. New Business

*New Business:* Ben reported about the SCACD Legislative Committee Appreciation Breakfast in March 2022. There was a letter sent to request 2023 budget increase to the State.

A discussion was had about Court ordered Community Service volunteers thru NSWCD. It was decided since there is not enough staff for constant supervision, at this time we cannot fulfil this duty.

*Executive Session:* Commissioners opted out.

Meeting adjourned at 9:27pm

- Motion to Accept Minutes – Mover: Rev Shealy; Seconder: Toni Warren– Motion Carried
- Motion to accept additional Agenda items to the meeting: Mover: Mark Kiser; Seconder
- Motion to Adjourn at 9:42– Mover: Toni Warren, Seconder: Rev Shealy, unanimous– Motion Carried

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Crista Lukoski – District coordinator

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