

Newberry Soil & Water Conservation District Monthly Meeting Minutes

January 9, 2024, Start Time: 7:30p.m. Meeting Adjourned: 9:04p.m., NSWCD Office Newberry, SC

Present: Doug Heydt; Chairman, Ben Setzler; Vice Chairman, Toni Warren; Treasurer, Mark Kiser; Secretary Crista Lukoski; District Coordinator, Scott Lukoski, Chairman- KNCB, Joe Goeckner- citizen Newberry

Apologies of Absence: Rev. James Shealy; Chaplain, Collin Buckner, NRCS District Conservationist (acting)

Next meeting: February 13, 2023, 6:45 pm at Old Schoolhouse Restaurant in Chappells, SC

Announcements: Rev. James Shealy is in hospice care, and we pray for his recovery

- I. Agenda Items
- II. Toni Warren provided the invocation – “Don’t dwell on the Past”

III. Minutes were approved.

IV. Treasurers Report: given by Toni Warren, included bank balances as 12/31/2023 Business Checking \$38,484.11, KNCB \$34,549.54, Annuity \$140,000.00, CD \$32,000.00 Total \$254,033.65

V. Additional Agenda Items: Presentation by Joe Goeckner regarding Lynches Wood Park bridge

VI. Chairman’s Report- Doug Heydt spoke about the success of our Banquet in November. Doug also reported the SCACD banquet at end of January 2024.

VII. Staff Report: *See Attached*

Crista reported on 2024 Affiliate membership drive
Crista reported on a new program “Fishing Stories” for 2024
Crista reported on a grant from KNCB awarded \$7095 for 2024.
Crista reported Feral Hog grant is completed.
Crista reported Scholarships for 2024 have been activated.

VIII. Old Business: Feral Hog equipment including traps, telecoms and trailer was discussed

VIII. New Business:

*A discussion about a replacement vehicle for the district due to safety concerns, Crista to research and report findings
A discussion was had about Legislative breakfast, Ben advised changing to Monday afternoon luncheon due to legislative schedules.*

A discussion was had about donation for SCCDEA Employee Auction item for SCACD conference.

Crista to research old files for Lynches wood and report back

A discussion was had to bring new membership to the board, each commissioner will reach out to prospective community members and invite to our board meeting in March.

X. Executive Session: entered 8:54 pm, exit 9:00 pm Nothing to report, fact finding discussion

Meeting adjourned: at 9:04p.m.

- Motion to approve October Minutes – Toni Warren; Mover, Mark Kiser; Seconder: unanimous – Motion Carried
- Motion \$200.00 for SCCDEA employee raffle item: Toni Warren; Mover, Ben Setzler; Second, unanimous- Motion carried.
- Motion to Keep 2 Pig Brig style Hog Traps and sell balance of equipment to include Cameras, traps and Trailer: Ben Setzler; Mover, Mark Kiser; Second, unanimous- Motion carried
- Motion to set aside \$30k for New District Vehicle; Toni Warren; Mover, Mark Kiser; Second- unanimous- Motion Carried
- Motion to Enter Executive Session 8:54pm Toni Warren; Mover, Mark Kiser; Seconder: unanimous – Motion Carried
- Motion to Exit Executive Session 9:00 pm Mark Kiser; Mover, Toni Warren; Seconder: unanimous – Motion Carried
- Motion to Adjourn at 9:04pm–Mark Kiser; Mover, Toni Warren; Seconder: unanimous– Motion Carried

Crista Lukoski – District coordinator

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