

Newberry Soil & Water Conservation District Monthly Meeting Minutes

August 8, 2023, Start Time: 7:00p.m. Meeting Adjourned: 9:35 p.m., NSWCD Office Newberry, SC

Present: Doug Heydt; Chairman, Ben Setzler; Vice Chairman, Toni Warren; Treasurer, Rev. James Shealy; Chaplain, Crista Lukoski; District Coordinator, Scott Lukoski; KNCB Chairman Josh Boatwright; NRCS District Conservationist, Noel Meyers, State Director USC Wildlife Services, Dr. Jim Beasley; UGA Ecology Lab, Terrence Kelly; NRCS State Resource Conservationist NRCS, Sylvia Harris; Wildlife Biologist NRCS, Chuck Taylor; Grad Student UGA

Apologies of Absence: Mark Kiser; Secretary

Next meeting: Sept 19, 2023, 7:00 pm at USDA office in Newberry SC

Announcements:

I. Agenda Items

Rev Shealy provided the invocation –

Dr. Beasley gave a power point presentation on Feral Hog Pilot Program. Noel Meyers discussed the programs future and what to expect.

II. Minutes were approved.

III. Treasurers Report: given by Toni Warren, included bank balances as 7/31/2023 Business Checking \$161,535.34, KNCB \$16,802.08, Annuity \$100,000.00 Total \$263,137.42

IV. Additional Agenda Items:

V. Chairman's Report- There was none

VI. Staff Report: See Attached

Crista reported the success of Camp Conservation

Crista gave an update on the 2nd annual Summer Fair planning, vendors, sponsors and activities.

Crista reported about the Lakeside Litter Sweep for September 23

Crista reported about the October Shred Event

Josh gave an update on the Equip programs in Newberry, 6 payments @ \$71k and 1 new Pasture application - currently estimated \$1.8 million in County.

VII. Old Business: A discussion about the purchase of a Used/New ATV for district. Crista to research and make purchase. A discussion about funding of ISE Easement Attorney Fund. Crista to research Money Market or CD and deposit into account with best interest rates.

VIII. New Business : Banquet was discussed, Nov. 30 Thursday date was approved.

VIII. Executive Session: there was none

Meeting adjourned: at 9:35 p.m.

- Motion to Accept Minutes –Ben Setzler; Mover, Toni Warren; Seconder: unanimous – Motion Carried
- Motion to give \$12,000 budget for new or used ATV and trailer: Ben Setzler; Mover, Toni Warren; Second, unanimous- Motion carried.
- Motion to move \$32,000 to new CD or Money Market for ISE Easement Attorney Fund: Rev. Shealy; Mover, Ben Setzler; Second, unanimous- Motion carried.
- Motion to put \$40,000 into Annuity Fund from ISE Funds; Toni Warren; Mover, Rev. Shealy; Second- unanimous- Motion Carried
- Motion to Adjourn at 8:54pm–Toni Warren; Mover, Mark Kiser; Seconder: unanimous– Motion Carried

Crista Lukoski – District coordinator

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