

Newberry Soil & Water Conservation District Monthly Meeting Minutes

May 9, 2023, Start Time: 7:33 p.m. Meeting Adjourned: 8:55 p.m., NSWCD Office Newberry, SC

Present: Doug Heydt; Chairman, Ben Setzler; Vice Chairman, Rev. James Shealy; Chaplain, Toni Warren; Treasurer; Mark Kiser; Secretary Crista Lukoski; District Coordinator, Scott Lukoski; KNCB Chairman Josh Boatwright; NRCS District Conservationist, Toney Henderson; NRCS District Technician, Becky Snowden; NRCS Regional Program Support Assistant

Apologies of Absence:

Next meeting: May 9, 2023, 7:00 pm at USDA office in Newberry SC

Announcements:

Doug welcomed guests Becky Snowden and Toney Henderson.

I. Agenda Items

Rev. Shealy provided the invocation – Faithful

II. Minutes were approved.

III. Treasurers Report: given by Toni Warren, included bank balances as 3/31/2023 Business Checking \$295422.50, KNCB \$25,777.21, Total \$321199.71

IV. Additional Agenda Items: there were none

V. Chairman's Report- Conservation Day at the State House – Doug, Ben, Mark and Crista in attendance with 40 other district representatives. Met with Rep Joe White and Senator Ronnie Cromer.

VI. Staff Report: See Attached

Ben gave an Legislative update.

Crista reported Movie Night had an attendance of approximately 60 people, \$200 in proceeds to Girl Scouts for concessions.

Crista reported that Camp Conservation registration full and schedule is complete. T shirts are ordered.

Crista reported scholarships winners and certificates were signed.

Crista reported meeting Jeff Shaker (county administrator) and gave a synopsis of their discussions.

Josh Boatright introduced new employee Toney Henderson gave an update of programs with NRCS.

Crista gave an update of the progression of Summer Fair.

Crista spoke about attending the Lexington SWCD annual banquet.

VII. Old Business: Annuities were discussed and decided upon in this meeting.

VIII. New Business: *Invitations are to be sent to Rep. Joe White and County Administrator Jeff Shacker to attend a district meeting.*

VIII. Executive Session: Crista to provide Profit Loss statement quarterly at meetings. A discussion was had about Grants and compensation and awarded Crista a \$2000 annual salary increase.

Meeting adjourned: at 8:33 p.m.

- Motion to Accept Minutes –Ben Setzler; Mover, Toni Warren; Seconder: unanimous – Motion Carried
- Motion to move \$100,000.00 (\$60k ISE/ \$40K other) into new Annuity and move \$80K (\$60k ISE-legal defense fund and \$20k savings) into high yield Savings account– Ben Setzler; Mover, Toni Warren; Seconder: unanimous- Motion Carried
- Motion to Enter Executive Session: 8:35pm Toni Warren; Mover, Ben Setzler; Second, unanimous- Motion carried.
- Motion to Exit Executive Session: 8:44pm Rev Shealy; Mover, Ben Setzler; Second, unanimous- Motion carried.
- Motion to Increase Crista Salary by \$2000 annually effective 5/9/2023, Ben Setzler; Mover, Toni Warren; Seconder: unanimous- Motion Carried
- Motion to Adjourn at 8:55pm–Toni Warren; Mover, Rev Shealy; Seconder: unanimous– Motion Carried

Crista Lukoski – District coordinator

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