

Newberry Soil & Water Conservation District Monthly Meeting Minutes

Sept 19, 2023, Start Time: 7:34p.m. Meeting Adjourned: 8:39 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, Collin Buckner; NRCS District Conservationist, Toney Henderson, NRCS Soil Tech, Becky Snowden; NRCS Area Admin

Apologies of Absence: Mark Kiser; Secretary

Next meeting: Nov 30, 2023, 6:00 pm at Country Club of Newberry Annual Banquet

Announcements:

I. Agenda Items

Rev Shealy provided the invocation – Joseph Coat of Many Colors

II. Minutes were approved.

III. Treasurers Report: given by Toni Warren, included bank balances as 8/31/2023 Business Checking \$74,156.52, KNCB \$40,074.93, Annuity \$140,000.00 Total \$254,231.45

IV. Additional Agenda Items: There was none

V. Chairman's Report- Ben reported on the SCACD meeting and mentioned that they are hiring a full-time employee in place of the part-time staff.

VI. Staff Report: See Attached

Crista reported the success Keep Newberry Beautiful Summer Fair

Crista gave an update on the 2nd annual Summer Fair with 77 volunteers reporting and cleaning up of over 1900 lbs. of trash from Dreher Island.

Crista reported about the October Shred Event

Collin Buckner- acting DC gave an update on the Equip programs in Newberry, still taking applications for 2024 and that he is temporarily assigned to the district for 120 days.

VII. Old Business: a discussion about the banquet – board to determine award winners at next meeting. Crista to email list for review

VIII. New Business:

A discussion was had about the banquet annual report.

\$350 for gps locators for the new Mule and Trailer were requested to purchase.

A discussion was had about the Feral Hog equipment, and we will request Noel Myer to the October meeting for guidance.

A discussion was had about our website to add a link for cookies/targeted marketing/foia

A discussion was about the Beef industry Commodity check off.

VIII. Executive Session: there was none.

Meeting adjourned: at 8:39 p.m.

- Motion to Accept Minutes –Ben Setzler; Mover, Toni Warren; Seconder: unanimous – Motion Carried
- Motion \$800.00 budget to print Annual report: Toni Warren; Mover, Rev. Shealy; Second, unanimous- Motion carried.
- Motion to send \$100 SC Conservation District Foundation: Toni Warren; Mover, Rev Shealy; Second, unanimous- Motion carried.
- Motion to spend \$350 GPS units for Mule and Trailer; Ben Setzler; Mover, Rev. Shealy; Second- unanimous- Motion Carried
- Motion to Adjourn at 8:39pm–Toni Warren; Mover, Rev Shealy; Seconder: unanimous– Motion Carried

Crista Lukoski – District coordinator

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