

MINUTES

Catawba Soil and Water Conservation District held at Newton, N.C.

Meeting Number 3

May 2, 2025

Supervisors Present:

Steve Killian

Bill Shillito

David Caldwell

Others Present:

Randy Willis, Soil Conservation Supervisor

Blake Henley, Soil Conservation Technician

Will Faulkner, NRCS Catawba

Steve Killian read the following statements then called the business meeting to order at 9:08 a.m.:

The State Government Ethics Act mandates that at the beginning of any meeting the Chair reminds all the members of their duty to avoid conflicts of interest and inquire as to whether any member knows of any conflict of interest or potential conflict with respect to matters to come before the Board. If any member knows of a conflict of interest or potential conflict, please state so at this time.

Statement of Professionalism

Supervisors are reminded of their responsibility to uphold the laws of the United States and North Carolina and their constitutions. Business is to be conducted in a professional manner, free of bias, of interactions that violate policies or individual liberties and that address business issues only. Interactions are to be held with integrity, courtesy, honesty and in compliance with the highest ethical standards.

David Caldwell made a motion to approve the agenda for the board meeting. Bill Shillito seconded. All in favor. Motion passed. Agenda approved.

Bill Shillito made a motion to approve the minutes from the April 4, 2025, board meeting. David Caldwell seconded. All in favor. Motion passed. Minutes approved.

Randy Willis and Blake Henley presented the Catawba District Operations Report and Education & Outreach Report:

District Operations and Technical Assistance

- Met with the Historical Association at the YMCA and at the Bunker Hill Bridge. Met with county management to discuss our role in the grant application and project.
- Assisted CCSO with drone activities.
- Assisted Iredell Soil & Water with sizing a stock trail.
- Assisted a landowner about an erosion issue in their yard.
- Met at Bandys High School to give them guidance on slowing down gully erosion near their fence.

- Bill Shillito made a motion to approve the Strategic Plan. David Caldwell seconded. All in favor. Motion passed.
- Bill Shillito made a motion to approve the NCACSP Ranking Sheet. David Caldwell seconded. All in favor. Motion passed.
- David Caldwell made a motion to approve the AGWRAP Ranking Sheet. Bill Shillito seconded. All in favor. Motion passed.
- Bill Shillito made a motion to approve the CCAP Ranking Sheet. David Caldwell seconded. All in favor. Motion passed.
- David Caldwell made a motion to approve the Fund Audit form. Bill Shillito seconded. All in favor. Motion passed.

NCACSP

- Met with a potential applicant for ACSP.
- Contract 18-23-02-03 was cancelled.
- Contract 18-2025-03-03 request for payment in the amount of \$2,025.00 (Supplement to 18-2024-01-03) was signed by Steve on 4-14-2025 and has been mailed to the State.
- David Caldwell made a motion to accept Contract 18-25-05-03 approval in the amount of \$23,349.00. Bill Shillito seconded. All in favor. Motion passed.
- David Caldwell made a motion to accept Contract 18-25-06-01 approval in the amount of \$7,345.00. Bill Shillito seconded. All in favor. Motion passed.

AGWRAP

- Contract 18-25-801-01 request for payment in the amount of \$10,485.00 was sign by Steve on 4-21-2025 and has been mailed to the State.

CCAP

No updates at this time.

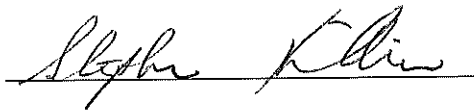
Education & Outreach

- Leia Hamlyn participated in Bandys Ag Day on April 11 with Water Cycle and Soil for Breakfast Programs for K-2.
- Leia presented a Water Cycle Program at the Newton Library on April 16 as part of their Tales in the Garden series.
- Bill Shillito made a motion to send both students who applied to the Resource Conservation Workshop in June. David Caldwell seconded. All in favor. Motion passed.

Will Faulkner presented the Team 5 NRCS Supervisory Soil Conservationist's Report and the Catawba NRCS Supervisory Soil Conservationist's Report.

David Caldwell made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Bill Shillito seconded. All in favor.
Meeting adjourned at 10:18 a.m.

Minutes taken by Blake Henley.

 Stephen Killian, Board Chair