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Agriculture Advisory Board Meeting
McSwain Extension Education and Agriculture Center
2420 Tramway Road, Sanford, NC 27332
Minutes
May 20, 2015

Members present: Donald Nicholson, Jane Barringer, Bill Minard, Worth Pickard, A.K. Griffin, Stephen Baber, Cecil Cameron, Molly Whitaker, Ed Angel, Harvey Godfrey, Jerry Lemmond

Excused Absence: Ray Covington

County staff present: Rhonda Gaster, Ryan Faulk

Opening Remarks: Donald Nicholson, Chair, called the meeting to order at 4:00 pm and declared we have a quorum

Public Comments - None

Approval of Minutes - Stephen Baber made a motion to approve April 15, 2015 minutes. Ed Angel seconded. Upon a vote the results were as follows:

Aye: Nicholson, Barringer, Minard, Pickard, Griffin, Baber, Cameron, Whitaker, Angel, Godfrey, Lemmond

Nay: None

Absent: Covington

The chairman ruled the motion passed unanimously.

Approval of Agenda - There were no additions or deletions to the agenda. Jerry Lemmond made a motion to accept the agenda. Wayne Watson seconded. Upon a vote the results were as follows:

Aye: Nicholson, Barringer, Minard, Pickard, Griffin, Baber, Cameron, Whitaker, Angel, Godfrey, Lemmond

Nay: None

Absent: Covington

The chairman ruled the motion passed unanimously.

Financial Report: The VAD balance as of May 20, 2015 is \$2,057.50

Receipts = \$36.00

Expenditures = \$00

Board Vacancies – 1 vacancy

East Sanford (1) – Vacant position

Board applications are available online at:

<http://www.leecountnc.gov/LinkClick.aspx?fileticket=ubfplUejQ9U%3d&tabid=61> or you can obtain from Gaynell Lee, Clerk to the Board by calling 919-718-4605 ext. 5507.

Review and Approval of Application(s) – 0 application

Township Sign Update – Ryan Faulk stated district signs are needed in the following areas: (2) Broadway, (1) Deep River, (1) Cape Fear, (1) East Sanford, (1) Jonesboro, (1) Greenwood, (2) West Sanford. Discussion was held on district sign placement. Flags have been placed at Bill Minard’s property off Lick Creek Road in East Sanford. General Services have been contacted about sign placement on Lick Creek Road. Ryan will go with Jerry Lemmond to determine sign placement on his property and flag the area. Jerry spoke with Betty Paschal about placing a sign on her property at Hwy. 42 and Plank Road, West Sanford.

With the release of Extension’s new strategic plan, Extension will loose a secretary position and will need 80% funding for the horticulture position for the 2015-2016 budget year. Cecil Cameron suggested if you know commissioners, talk to them and tell them we need those positions. There will be a public hearing on the budget Monday, June 1.

Mart Bumgarner introduced himself to the Agriculture Advisory Board as the NCSU intern for the summer. He will be experiencing all facets of Extension through the end of July.

Next meeting is Wednesday, August 19, 2015.

With no further business to come before the board, Ed Angel made a motion to adjourn. A. K. Griffin seconded. Upon a vote the results were as follows:

Aye: Nicholson, Barringer, Minard, Pickard, Griffin, Baber, Cameron, Whitaker, Angel, Godfrey, Lemmond

Nay: None

Absent: Covington

The meeting adjourned at 4:25 pm.


Clerk to the Agriculture Advisory Board


Chairman, Agriculture Advisory Board