



Anderson County SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

Minutes of Meeting

The board meeting for the Anderson Conservation District was held on **Friday, May 10, 2024**, at 8:30 a.m. at the USDA Service Center, 1521 Pearman Dairy Road, Anderson, SC.

Commissioners Present

Tom Garrison
Jay Copelan
Van James

Absent

Alex Kostik
Art Garrison

Others Present

Brian Stoddard, NRCS
Robby Holcombe, NRCS
Pamela Richey, ASWCD
Jessie Egan, SCDNR

Commissioner Garrison called the meeting to order at 9:02 a.m.

The Board reviewed the minutes from April 2024. Commissioner James made a motion to accept the minutes, seconded by Commissioner Copelan, all approved.

Financial Report

The Board reviewed the May 2024 financial report and took it for information. The Board would like to reach out to the Anderson Water council to discuss further the Kinder Morgan Grant for 2024.

Current Business

District employee reports were provided in binders.

Education & Outreach Coordinator - The new coordinator, Ann Marie Brooks, will start on Monday, 5/13 full-time.

2024 Seed Library Update - The Seed Library is doing well, there have been 3,702 packets checked out between all options (stationary seed library, traveling totes, and bookmobile) and 912 users.

SCDNR Monthly Reports - There was no report available at the time of the meeting.

Upcoming Events -

- 5/16/2024 Riverside Ag & Art Day - Ann Marie Brooks will be attending this event.
- 5/17/2024 ASWCD Qtrly Trash P/U
- 5/17/2024 2024 Essay Awards Presentation @ St. Joseph Catholic School

SCDNR-CD Monthly Report - Jessie Egan gave an oral report of updates. There were 21 teams for the Envirothon Competition and approximately 30 people attended the National Stewardship Week Field Day on May 1st.

The Board discussed involvement in the SC FFA Soils Judging Competitions. The District has attended SC FFA Conventions in the past and, with NRCS, assisted in competitions, but will look at getting back involved again.

NRCS Report

Brian Stoddard provided a written NRCS report.

Public Comment:

No comments

A motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:05 a.m. was made by Commissioner James, seconded by Commissioner Copelan, none opposed.

The **next meeting will be June 14, 2024, at 8:30 a.m.** at the USDA Service Center.

Respectfully submitted,
Pamela Richey, District Manager