



Anderson County SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

Minutes of Meeting

The board meeting for the Anderson Conservation District was held on **Friday, June 12, 2026**, at 8:30 a.m. at the USDA Service Center, 1521 Pearman Dairy Road, Anderson, SC.

Commissioners Present

Tom Garrison
Art Garrison
Jay Copelan
Alex Kostik
Van James

Absent

Others Present

Pamela Richey, ASWCD
Ann Marie Pauley, ASWCD
Sam Woods, ASWCD
Brian Stoddard, NRCS
Stevie Bell, ASWCD Volunteer
David & Pam Williams, Community member
Wynter Adams, Community member
Thaddis Rochelle (awardee), with family and friends

Commissioner Tom Garrison called the meeting to order at 834 a.m.

The Board reviewed the minutes from May 2026. Commissioner Kostik made a motion to accept the minutes, seconded by Commissioner Copelan, all approved.

Financial Report

The Board reviewed the June 2026 financial report.

Current Business

District employee reports were provided in binders.

8th Grade Essay Winner – Thaddis Rochelle was awarded his essay and congratulated at the meeting.

Brushy Creek Watershed Appointment – The vacancy for the Brushy Creek Watershed Board was posted on 6/3/2026 and removed on 6/11/2026. There was only one applicant, George Mauger. Commissioner James made a motion to appointment Mr. Mauger to the Brushy Creek Watershed Board, seconded by Commissioner Copeland, all approved.

Kinder Morgan Grant – Information on the B3 bags was shared, a water trunks update was provided, and the draft 6-month report for the Anderson Water Council was shared.

Seed Library Update – The seed library stock has been Inventoried, Ann Marie met with Tory and Mary (library staff) about the seed library, and there were two seed packing parties held.

SCCSA Sponsorship – The Board was provided the scholarships before the meeting to review. There were three submitted and the budget is \$900. A motion to split and award each applicant \$300 each was made by Commissioner James, seconded by Commissioner Art Garrison, all approved.

Programs Update - Ann Marie attended two separate group education events: Riverside Middle School Ag & Art Day with 240 students and Clemson Extension 4-H20 STEAM Camp with 55 children. She also attended four partnership meetings and awards presentations during the month.

Upcoming Programs - A list of programs scheduled was included in the binders (attached).

No-till Drill - The drill was rented 1 time with 2 acres during the month of May.

SCDNR Report

April & May 2026 report was provided.

NRCS Report

Brian Stoddard provided a written NRCS report.

Public Comment: There were no comments.

A motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:26 a.m. was made by Commissioner James, seconded by Commissioner Kostik, none opposed.

The **next meeting will be August 14, 2026, at 8:30 a.m.** at the USDA Service Center.

Respectfully submitted,
Pamela Richey, District Manager