

Chestatee-Chattahoochee RC&D Executive Board Meeting August 8, 2013 Minutes

Members attending were: Dennis Brown, President; Edwin Nix, Vice-President; George Lyons, Secretary; Lewis Canup, Treasurer; Angela Whidby, Member-at-Large and Larry Walker, Member-at-Large. Others present – Frank Riley, Susan Creasy and Jack Lewis, NRCS.

Dennis called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Motion was made by Angela, 2nd by Edwin to approve the minutes of the June 6, 2013 Executive Board meeting as distributed. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Angela, 2nd by George to approve the financial reports as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Ongoing Program Updates

- ➤ Wheels-to-Work
 - ❖ Abby Browitt A motion was made by Lewis, 2nd by Edwin to write off the \$3,549.95 balance. Motion carried unanimously.
 - ❖ Traci Finley Payments are current
 - ❖ Miki Yancey Payments are current
- Revolving Loan A motion was made by Angela, 2nd by Larry to send a letter calling the note due and requiring a response within 15 days or the next communication will be from an attorney. Motion carried unanimously. Frank will go to the business to determine if it is still in operation.

General Updates/New Business

- A detailed written report on all 319 projects was provided by Leslie George. Larry mentioned that Trout Unlimited might be a partner with regard to water sampling. Adam Hazell briefly joined the meeting at this point to elaborate on the status of the projects. He also stated that GMRC will have a display at the Red Apple Festival to promote the Mud Creek 319.
- The Executive Board was provided a copy of the Council's bylaws. Dennis stated that the bylaws should be reviewed and any suggestions for revision should be brought to the board for discussion.
- A motion was made by Edwin, 2nd by George to pay the Executive Board a \$30 per diem for attending Executive Board meetings.
- Lewis stated that he would follow up on having the basement inspected to determine the cause of the flooding.
- ➤ The next full Council meeting is scheduled to be hosted by Habersham County in September. Lewis stated that he would discuss this with the county commission. NOTE: A subsequent conversation revealed that the meeting will be held at the Aquatic Center in Clarkesville on Thursday, September 26. The Executive Board will meet at 9, followed by the full Council meeting at 10:30. Lunch will be provided by Habersham County.
- ➤ Angela expressed an interest in attending the SE RC&D meeting being held October 2 5, 2013 in Sandestin, FL. An agenda is not yet available.

Update from Executive Director

- Frank provided a written update on his activities since the last Executive Board meeting.
- ➤ He also provided information about the active grants including:
 - ❖ Forest Action Plan
 - Fire Adapted Communities
 - Wildfire, Safe, Sound and Code Smart
 - **❖** EPD 319
 - **\$** USF&W
- Frank stated that he was reviewing an RFP from NRCS with an application deadline of August 30.
- Frank distributed a copy of the Council's D&O policy for their information and review.

Meeting was adjourned. The next Executive Board meeting will be held at 9:00 a.m. on Thursday, September 26, 2013 at the Aquatic Center in Clarkesville followed by a full Council meeting.

Susan Creasy, Recorder