

ACTION ITEMS
STATE SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION COMMISSION MEETING
Tuesday, January 5, 2016
8:00 a.m.
Athens, GA

1. Call to Order – Garland Thompson, Chairman
2. Invocation – Brent Dykes, Executive Director
3. Approve Minutes of November 3, 2015, Board Meeting, as previously provided **(APPROVED)**
4. Act on Supervisor Appointments **(APPROVED—please see attached)** & Resignations **(APPROVED—please see attached)**
5. Executive Director's Report – Brent Dykes
 - a) Personnel Report
 - b) 2016 Legislative Session
 - c) Implementation of 2016 Manual for Erosion & Sediment Control
 - d) Overview of Conservation District Activities
6. Deputy Executive Director's Report—Dave Eigenberg
7. Overview of Agency Funding – Cynthia Wilbur
8. MOA's – Ben Ruzowicz **(APPROVED—Plan Review Memorandums of Agreement with Carroll County, Douglas County, and City of Douglasville.)**
9. NRCS Update
10. GACD Update
11. Public Comments
12. Next Board Meeting
13. Upcoming Dates:
 - a) Supervisor Training – February 25 & 26, 2016 – Jekyll Island
 - b) GACD Annual Meeting – February 26 & 27, 2016 – Jekyll Island

**NOMINEES FOR THE POSITION OF DISTRICT SUPERVISOR
TO BE APPOINTED BY GEORGIA SOIL and WATER CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

| REGION | DISTRICT | COUNTY | NAME | CITY | % | FUTURE TERM WILL EXPIRE |
|--------|------------------|----------|------------------------------|-------------|------|-------------------------|
| I | Blue Ridge Mtn | Union | 1. George Daves | Blairsville | 100% | 10/30/17 |
| | | | 2. Bill Collins | | | |
| | | | 3. Ray Covington | | | |
| | Limestone Valley | Cherokee | 1. Don Keeter | Canton | 100% | 10/30/17 |
| | | | 2. Kenneth Patton | | | |
| | | | 3. Lacle Doss | | | |
| | | Gilmer | 1. Paul Nealey | Ellijay | 64% | 10/30/17 |
| | | | 2. Lester Richardson | | | |
| | | | 3. Justin Wingate | | | |
| | | Murray | 1. Linda Loughridge | Chatsworth | 91% | 11/24/17 |
| | | | 2. Mike Davis | | | |
| | | | 3. Charles Campbell | | | |
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| IV | Rockdale | Rockdale | 1. Eddie Shirey | Conyers | 75% | 09/20/17 |
| | | | 2. David Bigham | | | |
| | | | 3. John Michael | | | |
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| V | Alapaha | Berrien | 1. Carlos Vickers | Nashville | *36% | 10/30/17 |
| | | | 2. Joe Dixon | | | |
| | | | 3. Brain Akins | | | |
| | | Echols | 1. Tim Hughes | Lake Park | NEW | 10/30/17 |
| | | | 2. Stanley Corbett | | | |
| | | | 3. Felton Coggins | | | |
| | Flint River | Calhoun | 1. Graham Ginn | Edison | *33% | 10/30/17 |
| | | | 2. Tom Jackson | | | |
| | | | 3. Chris Kendrick | | | |
| | | Seminole | 1. Judson Hornsby | Iron City | NEW | 10/30/17 |
| | | | 2. Raymond Thompson | | | |
| | | | 3. Kevin Lewis | | | |
| | Middle South GA | Ben Hill | 1. Kyle Phillips | Fitzgerald | 90% | 11/25/17 |
| | | | 2. Jimmy Reeves | | | |
| | | | 3. Glenn Stokes | | | |
| | | Crisp | 1. Farrow Baker | Cordele | 60% | 11/25/17 |
| | | | 2. Randy Coffee | | | |
| | | | 3. Randy Ellis | | | |
| | | Irwin | 1. Donald McWhorter | Fitzgerald | 70% | 11/25/17 |
| | | | 2. Tim Lott | | | |
| | | | 3. Grant Carter | | | |
| | | Turner | 1. Alex Sumner | Sycamore | 60% | 11/25/17 |
| | | | 2. Keith Barnette | | | |
| | | | 3. Scott Raines | | | |
| | | Worth | 1. Billy Young | Sumner | 70% | 11/25/17 |
| | | | 2. Jerry Young | | | |
| | | | 3. Jimmy Bryant | | | |
| | Pine Mtn | Harris | 1. Keith Edwards | Hamilton | *45% | 07/09/17 |
| | | | 2. Gilbert Andrews | | | |
| | | | 3. Morgan Marlowe | | | |
| | | | * Attendance Letter Provided | | | |

Chairman Garland Thompson
Georgia Soil & Water Conservation Commission Board
Douglas, GA

November 12, 2015

Dear Chairman Thompson,

I want to begin by thanking you for the opportunity to serve as an appointed member on the Clayton County Soil & Water Conservation Commission board since January 2015. I have certainly enjoyed my time getting to know past and current members of the local board. I've learned a great deal of information about the goals and charge of the District and am appreciative of that. So, it is with a heavy heart that I have chosen to resign from my position on the Commission as a member and as Treasurer.

After speaking with the Clayton County Commissioner's Staff Attorney's office, I have determined that continuing in my capacity on the board would be a perceived conflict of interest. Therefore, please let this letter serve as notification that effective immediately, I am resigning from my position as a member and as Treasurer of the Clayton County Soil and Water Conservation Commission. I would not want my continuation on the board to be a distraction among the other members or cause any undue scrutiny of my professional judgment in my current role as Assistant Director of the Clayton County Community Development Department, as of October 19th.

By the end of this week, I will have compiled all of the digital documents onto a USB drive as well as the banking information and will return all items, documents, etc. to the Board Chairman, Mrs. Kyrishia Johnson. Thank you again for allowing me to serve on behalf of the Clayton County citizens in this capacity. I am also grateful to have the opportunity to continue serving the residents in my new capacity within the Community Development Department.

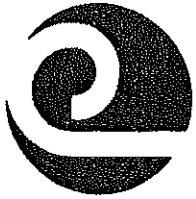
Respectfully,



Brecca R. Johnson

Enclosures

CC: Andy Dyer, GSWCC Regional Representative
Kyrishia Johnson, Clayton County SWCC Chairman



MIDDLE SOUTH GEORGIA SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

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BROOKS COUNTY
COLQUITT COUNTY
CRISP COUNTY
IRWIN COUNTY
THOMAS COUNTY
TIFT COUNTY
TURNER COUNTY
WORTH COUNTY

December 1, 2015

Carrol S. Fort, Sr.
632 Antioch Church Road
Pavo, Georgia 31778

Memo To: Georgia Soil & Water Conservation Commission Board
From: Carrol S. Fort, Sr.
Subject: Retirement Letter

I would like to inform you that I am retiring from my position as District Supervisor for Thomas County for the Middle South GA SWCD effective November 19th, 2015. Thank you for the opportunities that you have provided me over the past 40 years. I have enjoyed being a part of the agency and appreciate the support provided during my years as Board member. If I can be of any assistance during this transition, please feel free to contact me.

Best wishes to the Middle South GA Soil & Water Conservation District Board of Supervisors.

Sincerely,

Signature: Carrol S. Fort, Sr.

Date: November 19, 2015



Alapaha Soil & Water Conservation District

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BERRIEN COUNTY
CLINCH COUNTY
COOK COUNTY
ECHOLS COUNTY
LANIER COUNTY
LOWNDES COUNTY

November 12, 2015

Mike Coggins
2429 J. Frank Culpepper Road
Lake Park, Georgia 31636

Memo To: Georgia Soil & Water Conservation Commission Board
From: Mike Coggins
Subject: Resignation Letter

Please allow this letter to serve as my immediate resignation as the Alapaha Soil & Water Conservation District Supervisor of Echols County. I have been unable to attend the monthly District meetings and participate in events due to my schedule. Please accept my resignation and best wishes to the Alapaha Soil & Water Conservation District.

Signature: 

Date: 11/18/15

Thursday, November 12, 2015

Mr. Garland Thompson

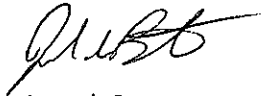
PO Box 8024

Athens, GA 30603

Dear Chairman Thompson,

Thank you for appointing me to serve as a Supervisor of the Warren County Soil & Water Conservation District. Unfortunately, due to job conflicts, I will not be able to serve the term as originally planned. Please consider this my resignation notice from the Warren County District.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'JB' or 'JBT', with a stylized flourish extending from the end.

Joseph Batrous