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TO: Commissioners of Robeson County Drainage Districts 1, 2 &4,
Chip Campbell, Cynthia Mauldin, and Robeson County
FROM: Rob Price
RE: Meeting of Drainage Districts One, Two, and Four Commissioners
DATE: May 16, 2017

The Commissioners of Robeson County Drainage Districts 1 and 2 will meet on **Friday, May 26, 2017, at 8:15 am** in the County Administration Building, Commissioners Meeting Room, 701 N Elm Street, Lumberton.

The meeting will be to handle any business which may come before the bodies, but specifically to address any plans of action for repairs needed for the systems due to Hurricane Matthew and to seek contractors to perform work under a grant from the North Carolina Division of Soil and Water Conservation.

Attached or enclosed are the minutes of April 26, 2017, materials sent to potential bidders, and the list of those sent the materials (their listings are in bold).

Thanks.

Minutes of 4/26/17 Meeting of Drainage Districts One and Two Commissioners at Lumberton City Hall

Present: Commissioners Kenny Biggs, John Hendren, Jr., Lockwood Locklear, Lycurous Lowry, Casey Brandon McQueen, and Ozmer Lee Oxendine, Jr., Chip Campbell, Justin Rozier, Josean Tores, City Public Works Director Rob Armstrong, and Attorney Robert Price.

1. A package was distributed which included a report from the Treasurer, an email indicating that \$34,635.92 in Meadow Branch drainage funds are being held by accountant Buddy McLean, a FEMA categories chart, a confirmation of the SAM registration for District 2, and BB&T letters confirming the establishment of a checking accounts for District One for the “Emergency Watershed Protection Fund” and the “Soil and Water Funds Grant Account”.
2. The minutes of 1/25/16 were approved
3. The minutes of 3/15/17 were approved by District Two.
4. The minutes of 4/5/17 were approved by District One.
5. Rob reported that Jan Maynor of the Lumber River Council of Governments has indicated that they should be able to provide administrative services at a very reasonable rate for the drainage districts. Rob provided her with a set of materials on both projects and is waiting for a response.
6. Rob reported that he had requested a FEMA extension for category A funds, but was told after the fact that the request was not actually needed because FEMA has not yet gotten itself organized as to that type of funding.
7. Rob reported that the Division of Soil and Water Conservation package had been sent in a couple of weeks earlier.
8. Justin reported that the State Engineer’s office stated that there was no debris in the stream in the area for which EWP funds had been allocated for Moss Neck Watershed, so that area does not qualify for the EWP funds. Chip stated that he will submit that area for funding by the Division of Soil and Water Conservation. He stated that there are willow trees in the stream as well, but they were pre-existing.
9. Chip stated that if we have additional funding under the Division of Soil and Water Conservation projects due to the cost per linear foot being less than that assumed in the

applications, a revised scope of work would probably be needed before those funds could be used for areas not identified in the applications.

10. Chip will call David Williams to ask if we are ready to start work on the Division of Soil and Water Conservation projects.
11. Chip offered to have someone from his office meet with any prospective contractors on site to show them the work needed. It was agreed that any request for bids should be sent to those on our contractors list.
12. Chip stated that both the EWP program and the Division of Soil and Water Conservation want us to use our own bidding process for these projects.
13. Kenny suggested that the first work in Jacob Swamp should be in the area from Contempora to US 74, and work in that area could serve as a test model.
14. Chip suggested that the work in the Back Swamp Watershed will need to be divided into sections, with separate bidding for each of the sections.
15. Chip stated that his office would be doing the quarterly inspections needed for both of the programs.
16. Chip stated that the EWP program requires bonding of the contractors, but the Division of Soil and Water Conservation projects don't.
17. It was agreed that the contracts for this work need to require the contractors to leave the travel-ways as they were before starting work.
18. It was agreed that we would use the standard that if a tree is leaning by more than 30%, it will be removed.
19. It was agreed that all debris would simply be moved off the travel-way. If it is possible to just lay the debris to the side of the travel-way, that will be done. If room does not allow for that procedure, sites for deposit of the materials will be identified after the contracts are signed.
20. John pointed out that there is Conservancy land at the Jacob Swamp bridge, where there is a hole, right across from Alamac. That area could be used for deposit of materials.
21. Chip presented a scope of work for the Division of Soil and Water Conservation work based upon one he obtained from Craven County. Chip will prepare a more complete scope of work and email it, with mailed copies to the two drainage district chairs, by Monday of next

week. Once Chip has received any feedback on that document, Rob will send that to the contractors with a letter inviting them to our next meeting and telling them they can call either Chip or Rob with any questions.

22. It was agreed that the start date for these projects should be the date each contract is signed.
23. Chip stated that no permits will be needed for debris removal.
24. Chip stated that the Division of Soil and Water Conservation funds could be used for the use of a grinder to remove stumps.
25. Chip stated that if we would obtain documentation from Bo Benton, USDA Wildlife Services, of dam removal work performed for us, the value of that work could be used as drainage district in-kind contributions to the Division of Soil and Water Conservation project. Chip will work on obtaining that.
26. John reported on the proposal by engineer Larry Anderson for work on the EWP project in Jacob Swamp and Mr. Anderson's quoted fee of \$10,000 for the work. It was decided that since the State Engineer's office had already begun the design work, Mr. Anderson's services would not be used.
27. Chip stated that we will need a deposit site for our sediment removal project, and he stated that the sand could be used to build up the dike, but there will probably be too much material for that. John pointed out that DENR, which is now known as the Department of Environmental Quality, will have to approve a deposit site and a permit will be required.
28. Chip stated that the funds allocated for sediment removal could be used to take trees out, but it was agreed that \$32,000 won't go very far.
29. John suggested that Calvin Floyd, Jr. might allow for a dump site on property right across the road from where the sediment removal will be done.
30. John reported that he is working with County Commissioner Tom Taylor in trying to get the funds that were promised by the County for debris removal. The work was performed by Calvin Floyd, Jr.
31. Kenny Biggs, Lee Oxendine, and John Hendren volunteered to serve as Commissioners for Robeson County Drainage District 4, which is the Meadow Branch Watershed.
32. John stated that Meadow Branch Watershed is in need of a lot of improvements.

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TO: Potential Contractors
FROM: Rob Price
RE: Robeson County Drainage Districts One and Two
DATE: May 15, 2017

The materials I sent to you last week indicated the deadline for submitting bids would be May 19. That has been changed. The deadline is now June 2.

Thank you.

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TO: Potential Contractors
FROM: Rob Price
RE: Robeson County Drainage Districts One and Two
DATE: May 12, 2017

The Commissioners of Robeson County Drainage Districts One and Two wish to receive bids from interested contractors for work needed as a result of Hurricane Matthew. A copy of a detailed notice, a Scope of Work, and a project bid sheet are enclosed.

The Commissioners are meeting in the County Administration Building, Commissioners Meeting Room, 701 N Elm Street, Lumberton, on Friday, May 26, 2017, at 8:15 am.

If you would like to consider contracting for this work, please attend the meeting of the Commissioners to learn about the work.

Thank you.

ENCLS

Stream Debris Removal Contractors:

Notice is hereby given that the Robeson County Drainage Districts One is soliciting contractors to perform the removal of stream debris resulting from Hurricane Matthew in the Back Swamp Main Canal and Jacob Swamp Lateral 2 and 2A. The planned work area for Back Swamp, approximately 11 miles, begins at Montford Road in Maxton and ends at the Lumber River in Lumberton. The planned work area for Jacob Swamp Lateral 2A, approximately 1.3 miles, will begin at the head of the lateral referenced on the Project Map and will end at Contempora Drive in Lumberton. Jacob Swamp Lateral 2, approximately 2.1 miles, will begin at Contempora Drive and end at Hwy 41 South in Lumberton.

Time Frame- Target Start Date – June 1, 2017

Project Completion Deadline – December 1, 2017

Please reference the following important documents:

- Scope of Work
- Project Map
- Temporary Right of Way Usage Agreement
- Appendix B of the Technical Report developed by the US Army Corps of Engineers entitled, “Incremental Effects of Large Woody Debris Removal”
- Project Bid Sheet

Project Bid Sheets must be received by 5:00 pm on May 19, 2017. Send project bid sheets to, Robert E. Price P. O. Box 630 Lumberton, NC 28359. Please include copies of reference letters or other documentation of prior work experience. Questions should be directed to Robert E Price at 910-739-8172.

SCOPE OF WORK
STREAM DEBRIS REMOVAL PROJECT

_____ (the “CONTRACTOR”) will complete stream debris removal activities including cutting and removing downed trees, broken tops, and woody debris that impede or potentially impede water flow or prevent mowing of the travel-way and any area within 10 feet of it in the streams and tributaries described in the included documents provided by the Robeson County Drainage District.

The CONTRACTOR will ensure that it follows the Best Management Practices for Selective Clearing and Snagging in Appendix B of the Technical Report developed by the US Army Corps of Engineers entitled, “Incremental Effects of Large Woody Debris Removal on Physical Aquatic Habitat”. This document is included in this packet and can also be found online at:

<http://www.ncagr.gov/SWC/disasterresponse/documents/BestManagementPracticesforSelectiveClearingandSnagging.pdf>

The CONTRACTOR agrees to place all vegetation a minimum of 20 feet from the edge of the canal bank unless there isn’t sufficient space, in which case the vegetation shall be removed to a landing site to be identified by the drainage district.

The CONTRACTOR will ensure that it follows the Robeson County Drainage District Temporary Right of Way Usage Agreement to protect the integrity of the travel way.

The CONTRACTOR must use its best judgement to only remove debris resulting from Hurricane Matthew.

INSPECTIONS

The Robeson County Drainage District Commissioners and/or the USDA-Natural Resources Conservation Service will conduct regular site visits to inspect the work completed. At a minimum, inspections will take place on a Bi-Weekly (every 2 weeks) basis before payment is made.

INVOICING and PAYMENTS

Bills will be submitted to the Robeson County Drainage District for payment processing on a Bi-Weekly (every 2 weeks) basis.

Twenty percent (20%) of the contract amount will be withheld until all final work is completed and all reports and work has been satisfactorily completed.

PROJECT BID SHEET

1. Back Swamp Main Canal- Total project price. \$ _____

2. Jacob Swamp Lateral 2- Total project price. \$ _____

3. Jacob Swamp Lateral 2A- Total project price. \$ _____

- Please include references, prior work experience or any other pertinent documentation.

Contractors List **Bold = Bid Requested**

Benson Construction Company
1485 NC 711 Hwy
Lumberton NC 28358
739-9969

Bollinger & Price Construction Company
P.O. Box 1287
Lumberton NC 28359
738-3414

Cape Fear Construction Co
P. O. Box 1426
Lumberton, NC 28359
738-7246

✓ **Charles Strickland**
Strickland Dragline Service Inc.
1330 Mercer Mill Branch Road
Lumberton NC 28358
738-1594
734-0310 - Cell

Custom Pumping & Spreading Service
Animal Waste Specialist
212 Judge Sharp Road
Graham NC 27253
336-376-6781

✓ **Daniel Hodge**
Canal Wood, L.L.C.
P. O. Box 1179
Laurinburg, NC 28352

✓ **Danny Bryant**
277 Zion Hill Church Road
Bladenboro NC 28320
cell 910-874-3277
home 910-648-2268

✓ **Floyd Grading Company**
3185 W 5th Street
Lumberton NC 28358
671-1177

Goodyear Construction Company
NC 41 Hwy.
Fairmont NC 28340
628-6764

HR&S Construction
1282 Jonesville Road
Fairmont, NC 28340
628-1785
740-4777 - Cell

✓ **Ted Woodell**
2751 Buie-Philadelphus Road
Red Springs, NC 28377
734-4586 (cell), 843-9282

✓ **Lacy R. Thompson, Jr.**
Cape Fear Land & Timber Corporation
P. O. Box 395
Tabor City, NC 28463

✓ **Les Norman Locklear**
102 Kever Road
Maxton NC 28364
521-2358

Metcon, Inc.
P. O. Box 1149
Pembroke, NC 28372
521-8013

✓ **Ricky Locklear**
1253 Jonesville Road
P. O. Box 1414
Fairmont NC 28340
628-7534

✓ **Robert A. Chavis**
1495 Back Swamp Road
Lumberton, NC 28360-9218
739-5770

Smith Brothers Construction
770 Singletary Mill Pond Road
Bladenboro, NC 28320
910-648-4925
910-863-4462

✓ **Steve Moore**
Solid Site Inc.
P. O. Box 2738
Pembroke, NC 28372
910-785-2359

Mr. Curtis Locklear ✓
455 WL Moore Rd
Maxton NC 28364-7801
736-2814

Graham Warriax ✓
PO 2338
Pembroke, NC 28372
Has a track hoe (but over-booked on 11/10/16)
258-5016

Mr. Boyd Lindsey ✓
P.O. Box 2741
Pembroke, NC 28372
740-4915

Landscapers List

Green4Life Landscaping ✓
1027 Singletary Mill Pond Road
Bladenboro, NC 28320-8104

Greenstate Landscape & Nursery
2643 W Carthage Road
Lumberton, NC 28360
739-0405
237-1729 (Roger Taylor's cell phone)

James Hooks ✓
Hooks Landscape Services
507 W. 29th Street
Lumberton, NC 28358
618-9941

James Wilton Lewis ✓
266 Circle Drive
Lumberton, NC 28360-0329
738-9832

J & J Environmental, LLC ✓
Jimmy L. Droze, Jr.
1815-C Virginia Road
Edenton, NC 27932
Business: (252) 482-7044
Cell: (252) 482-8933
Fax: (252) 482-8732
(removing stream debris)

Beaver Trapping Services
Hardy Brewington
739-7312 (cell)

✓ Danny Peele
PEELE TIMBER CO
6491 NC Hwy 231, Middlesex, NC 27557
(252-235-3763)
252-235-7405

Ricky Oxendine ✓
171 Alvin Road
Pembroke, NC 28372
phone?

Lyavans Lowry ✓
8879 W 74th Hwy
Pembroke, NC 28372

Matthew Barnhill ✓
Barnhill Services
6250 Point Caswell Road
Atkinson, NC 28421
Phone 910-471-9935

Nelson Lowery ✓
N+N Lawery's Heavy Duty Bush
Hogging Services
3502 Hwy 711
Lumberton, NC 28360
734-4178

Steven Holmes ✓
Holmes Landscaping
11092 NC Hwy 41 N.
Lumberton, NC 28358
740-8663

Henry Wood ✓
Wood Logging
361 Gum Spring Road
White Oak, NC 2899

Ray Hicks ✓
Environmental Repair Inc.
28723 Marston Road
Marston, NC 28363
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rhicks@carolina.net
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133 Smitty Road
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