Chowan River Basin Regional Council Nucor Steel Plant May 3, 2001 MINUTES

(Prior to holding the regular business meeting, the group was led on a most interesting and informative tour of the Nucor facility. Thanks to Chad Pryor for setting up and leading the tour.)

Chairman Brewster Brown called the meeting to order at 4:00 P.M. Joan Giordano conducted the roll call. A quorum was present (attendance list attached). A motion was made to accept the minutes of the last meeting as mailed. The motion received a second and minutes were approved as mailed.

OLD BUSINESS:

PRECISION AGRICULTURE DEMONSTRATION PROJECT FINAL REPORT: Billy Griffith reported on the educational aspect of the project and stated that 75 farmers were present at a meeting where project results were shared. He is not sure how many farmers will continue using this technology due to low commodity prices.

COORDINATING COUNCIL MEETING: Chairman Brown and Marjorie Rayburn attended the last Coordinating Council Meeting. National EPA representatives were present at this meeting and were very impressed with the discussion and input of the Council as well as the way we have engaged our partners. Guy will be sending a copy of the Annual Plan out to everyone when it is complete.

CHOWAN BASINWIDE WATER QUALITY MANAGEMENT PLAN: Chairman Brown reported that public hearings have been completed in the Chowan and Pasquotank River Basins. Attendance at all the meetings was excellent with good input. Kate Moore, DWQ, stated that the draft plan will be available next year and input would be greatly appreciated.

VIRGINIA UPDATE – Noah Hill reported on the forming of the Virginia Roundtable – our Virginia counterpart. The Virginia SWCD's are very excited and supportive of the concept. They hope to be up and running within the year.

NEXT MEETING: Nan and Marjorie invited the Council to meet in Edenton at the new Chowan Agriculture Building. Nan will check on the availability of the building and let Joan know. The meeting was scheduled for **July 19th**.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:15 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Nan Laughton
Recording Secretary

Attachments