



Sullivan County Soil & Water Conservation District
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Sullivan County Soil & Water Conservation District
Board of Directors Meeting
July 10, 2017
Minutes

I. Call to Order: Vice Chairman Kaplan called the regular business meeting of the Sullivan County Soil & Water Conservation District Board of Directors to order at 8:00 p.m.

Board members present – Robert Kaplan, Vice Chairman Gene Benson, Treasurer
Nadia Rajs, Legislator John Gorzynski, Member

Board members absent – Wilfred Hughson, Chairman, Mark, McCarthy, Legislator
Harold Russell, Member

Agency representatives: – John Kline, SWCD Lisa Schick, SWCD
Les Kirby, SWCD Brenden Wagner, SWCD/Nev/Rond
Anthony Capraro, NRCS

II. MINUTES: E. Benson made a motion to accept the minutes from the June 12, 2017 board meeting, N. Rajs seconded, the motion was passed and carried.

III. WRITTEN & VERBAL REPORTS: See attached written reports.

A. A. Capraro (NRCS):

- EQIP-RCPP-Delaware River – working with the Pinchot Institute and common waters. FY17 has five sign-ups for the forestry program. Contracts are written and in the process of being signed. FY18 has five applications for forestry resources and three applications already signed for streambank restoration and buffers. Deadline for sign-up is July 21st.
- EQIP-General – Nine current applications. Will work with landowners through the summer to create a plan for application submission in the fall.
- EQIP-RCPP – Young Forest Initiative - Has no sign-ups at this time.
- CRP – Grasslands – One contract signed up with FSA. Planning is done and contract signed with FSA.
- CSP – One preapproved application for forestry.

IV. OLD BUSINESS:**A. Neversink/Rondout Grant:** See written report

- Working on three large bank stabilization projects in Claryville. Rondout, Sundown and Moll's Brook. Denning Town Hall and Moll's Brook may be ready to start this fall.
- Have sought two additional proposals for engineering work due to present selected firms have been unable to meet our needs in a timely manner: Wetland Studies from Virginia; and Stantec, who has a satellite office in Rosendale.

B. District Policies:

- Currently working on updating all policies. Will present policies to board as they are completed.
- New policies being created are an Internship Policy and a FOIL Policy.

C. Program Updates:

- The Jeff school flood mitigation expenses will be through the county flood mitigation and Part C funds.
- The No-Till seeder has been working after being repaired. No invoice or bill has been received from the Truax Company.
- Bass & Minnow program was a success. Approximately 40 people ordered fish and the pick-up date was Saturday, June 24th.

V. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Bank Reconciliation: The June bank statements were reviewed.

VI. DISTRICT CLAIMS: N. Rajsz made a motion to approve abstracts, bills and pre-approvals, seconded by E. Benson, the motion was passed and carried.

2017 – 6B	\$ 52,078.73
2017 – 7A	\$ 21,707.54

Bills presented to the Board for pre-approval: See sheet

VII. TREASURER REPORT: The Profit and Loss and the Balance Sheet were reviewed. N. Rajsz made a motion to approve the reports, J. Gorzynski seconded, the motion was passed and carried.

VIII. NEXT MEETING: Monday, August 14, 2017 at 8:00 p.m.

X. ADJOURNMENT: Adjourned at 8:45 p.m. - Motion by N. Rajsz