



Sullivan County Soil & Water Conservation District
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Sullivan County Soil & Water Conservation District
Board of Directors Meeting
November 13, 2017

Minutes

I. Call to Order: Chairman Hughson 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 – Wilfred Hughson, Chairman Robert Kaplan, Vice Chairman
Gene Benson, Treasurer John Gorzynski, Member
Harold Russell, Member

Board members absent – Mark, McCarthy, Legislator Nadia Rajszyk, Legislator

Agency representatives: – Brian Brustman, SWCD John Kline, SWCD
Les Kirby, SWCD Lisa Schick, SWCD
Brenden Wagner, SWCD/NR

II. MINUTES: E. Benson made a motion to accept the minutes from the September 11, 2017 board meeting, H. Russell seconded, the motion was passed and carried.

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

FSA- The few NASS surveys that were filled out allowed for a corn loss payment coming through for \$60. It is important to fill them out because potential payments for loss are contingent upon these received reports.

Office status is slated to remain the same, and pull other people in to help with paperwork when needed.

NRCS- A Soil Conservation has been hired to fill the vacant position in Walton.

IV. OLD BUSINESS:

A. Neversink/Rondout Grant: See written report

- Angler Symposium was held on November 3rd. It was a success with approximately 45 attendees.
- Planting trees and willows on several project sites.
- Claryville project plans almost 100% complete. Looking to bid project soon.

- SCA Intern will work January 22 – November 16, 2018. Will need to wait until spring to see if we will get a 5-month intern. These positions are funded through the SCA.
- Town of Denning project is progressing slowly due to the engineering work is being held up. The Town may start looking for other avenues of funding.

B. Program Updates:

- Flood Mitigation - Waiting for invoices from the Towns of Callicoon, Fremont and Tusten for completed projects.
- The NYSSWCC approved using Part C funds to purchase new truck. Robert Green Chevrolet was low bidder. A Dodge Ram was ordered, and we are awaiting arrival.
- FOIL Policy was reviewed by County Attorney and minor word changes were made.

C. Insurance Bids: Bid request will be re-sent out in January as no bids were received due to underwriters will only write a quote a few months from the policy renewal date.

V. **NEW BUSINESS:**

A. Bank Reconciliation: The September and October bank statements were reviewed.

B. County Budget: Still waiting on status of 2018 District Budget funding. Will contact county for information.

VI. **DISTRICT CLAIMS:** H. Russell made a motion to approve abstracts, bills and pre-approvals, seconded by R. Kaplan, the motion was passed and carried.

2017 – 9B	\$ 62,505.38
2017 – 10A	\$ 4,039.45
2017 – 10B	\$ 96,864.15
2017 – 11A	\$ 16,747.64

Bills presented to the Board for pre-approval: Total - \$ 61,321.30 - See breakdown sheet

VII. **TREASURER REPORT:** The Profit and Loss and the Balance Sheet were reviewed. R. Kaplan made a motion to approve the reports, E. Benson seconded, the motion was passed and carried.

VIII. **NEXT MEETING:** Monday, December 11, 2017 at 6:00 p.m.

X. **ADJOURNMENT:** Adjourned at 8:45 p.m. - Motion by E. Benson

Lisa Schick,
Program Assistant

Wilfred Hughson,
Chairman