

#### Sullivan County Soil & Water Conservation District 64 Ferndale-Loomis Road Liberty, NY 12754 (845)292-6552 Fax (845)295-9073

# **Sullivan County Soil & Water Conservation District Board of Directors Meeting September 11, 2017**

#### **Minutes**

I. <u>Call to Order:</u> 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

Gene Benson, Treasurer Nadia Rajsz, Legislator

Robert Kaplan, Vice Chairman

John Gorzynski, Member

Board members absent –

Mark, McCarthy, Legislator

Harold Russell. Member

Agency representatives: - Brian Brustman, SWCD

Les Kirby, SWCD

John Kline, SWCD Lisa Schick, SWCD

Brenden Wagner, SWCD/NR

II. MINUTES: E. Benson made a motion to accept the minutes from the August 14, 2017 board meeting, J. Gorzynski seconded, the motion was passed and carried.

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

### IV. OLD BUSINESS:

- A. Neversink/Rondout Grant: See written report
  - Hydroseeded the Little Hollow project in the T/O Neversink and will do willow planting soon.
  - Started a flood assessment for Grahamsville.
  - Mailed out postcards and handed them out at local events which offers a free tree if they give their email to be put on our mailing address. This outreach program has become very successful.
  - Started the Japanese Knotweed spraying projects. A project in Smallwood is being looked at.

- B. Program Updates:
  - Working on town culverts with flood mitigation funds. Started making potential list of projects for next year. Will create an inventory assessment of culverts.
  - Taking orders for the trout program, and the pick-up will be September 23.
  - Looking into starting up a plastic recycling program and the cost of a portable plastic bailer equipment. Need to look into an outlet place that will accept the plastic once bailed.
  - Sent vehicle purchase request through Part C funds up to NYS Dept. Ag & Markets. Awaiting decision.
  - Send the FOIL Policy to County Attorney for review.
  - Public agencies need to opt in to join the NYS Paid Family Leave.

## V. <u>NEW BUSINESS</u>:

- A. Bank Reconciliation: The August bank statement was reviewed.
- B. County Budget: 2018 Budget Request was reviewed by Directors. The budget will be submitted to the County this week.
- VI. <u>DISTRICT CLAIMS</u>: N. Rajsz made a motion to approve abstracts, bills and pre-approvals, seconded by W. Hughson, the motion was passed and carried.

2017 – 8B \$ 39,477.89 2017 – 9A \$ 23,726.41

Bills presented to the Board for pre-approval: Total - \$ 77,808.51 - See breakdown sheet

- VII. TREASURER REPORT: The Profit and Loss and the Balance Sheet were reviewed. N. Rajsz made a motion to approve the reports, E. Benson seconded, the motion was passed and carried.
- **VIII.** <u>NEXT MEETING:</u> Monday, November 13, 2017 at 8:00 p.m. Due to October 9th being a holiday, the Directors chose to cancel the October meeting. N. Rajsz made a motion to cancel, E. Benson seconded, motion was passed and carried.
- **X. ADJOURNMENT:** Adjourned at 9:00 p.m. Motion by N. Rajsz

Lisa Schick, Program Assistant Wilfred Hughson, Chairman