



Sullivan County Soil & Water Conservation District
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Sullivan County Soil & Water Conservation District
Board of Directors Meeting
June 13, 2011
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
Beverly Martin, Treasurer
Harold Russell, Member
Elwin Wood, Vice Chairman
Robert Kaplan, Member
John Gorzynski, Member

Board members absent: David Sager, Legislator

Agency representatives: – Brian Brustman, SWCD
Lisa Schick, SWCD
Karen Rauter, SWCD
Les Kirby, SWCD
John Kline, SWCD

- II. MINUTES:** Harold Russell made a motion to approve the minutes from the May 9, 2011 meeting, Elwin Wood 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.

- Karen received the temporary license agreement for the restoration project in Ulster County at the highway garage. It is a 5-year agreement, which needs Brian's signature. Elwin Wood made a motion to sign the contract agreement, Harold Russell seconded, the motion was passed and carried.
- Held the first informational meeting at the Town Hall for the Neversink SMP. About a dozen landowners were in attendance. She is waiting for the final revisions from DEP before it gets distributed to landowners. Karen is looking to have another meeting in July and around Labor Day.
- An intern is working on knotweed removal on the Chestnut Creek. He is going through the process of pesticide certification for the Neversink.

- Karen is waiting for revisions for the Van Aken project.
- The Neversink project design work is in progress and permits need to be submitted. It is unsure whether this project will happen this summer. A second project site is being explored.
- The new Assistant Project Coordinator, Meredith Maglio, started today.
- Karen is hoping to move the CSBI plants down to the Tri Valley Central School site soon.
- Held an informational meeting for the Denning Town Hall CSBI project.
- Held the first outreach event, a trail walk, on June 5th, and there were 8 participants.
- A landowner workshop will be held on Saturday, June 18th. A representative from Cornell University will speak about the emerald ashbore and another presenter will speak on gardening.
- Researching the purchase of a plotter/printer for housing at the District office. The funds will come from the Chestnut Creek grant to use up the funds in order to close out the grant.

B. Flood Mitigation Work:

- Received a permit to clean up the woody debris under the bridge in Roscoe.
- Working on having a contractor lined up as soon as the water level drops enough to clean out the channel in Callicoon.
- Working on one project for the Upper Delaware Grant.
- The T/O Fremont project paperwork is still going through the County audit process.
- Looking at a spot above John's place by the Fulton property for a culvert replacement.

V. **NEW BUSINESS:**

A. Bank Reconciliation: The May bank reconciliation was reviewed by the Board.

B. NRCS Conservation Plan: A conservation plan for Skytop Farms was submitted for Chairman Hughson's signature. After reviewing the plan, the board requested more information before signing.

VI. **DISTRICT CLAIMS:** Elwin Wood made a motion to approve abstracts and bills, seconded by Robert Kaplan, the motion was passed and carried.

2011 - 5B	\$ 30,058.75
2011 - 6A	\$ 13,992.41

Bills presented to the Board for pre-approval:

Fabia Wargin Design (Nev/Rond)	\$ 300.00
Hoag Riparian Rest. (Nev/Rond)	\$ 6,150.00
Arctic Rental (Nev/Rond)	\$ 750.00
Arbor Art Tree Service (Nev/Rond)	\$ 1,800.00
Kristt Company (Nev/Rond)	\$ 3,342.75

VII. TREASURER REPORT: The Treasurer report and Balance Sheet were reviewed. Harold Russell made a motion to approve the Treasurer Report and Balance Sheet, John Gorzynski seconded, the motion was passed and carried.

VIII. NEXT MEETING: Monday, July 11, 2011 at 8:00 p.m.

IX. ADJOURNMENT: By regular motion at 9:06 p.m.

Lisa Schick,
Program Assistant

Wilfred Hughson,
Chairman