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Sullivan County Soil & Water Conservation District Board of Directors Meeting March 12, 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 6:05 p.m.

Board members present –	Wilfred Hughson, Chairman Harold Russell, Member John Gorzynski, Member	Robert Kaplan, Vice Chairman Gene Benson, Treasurer
Board members absent –	Mark, McCarthy, Legislator	Nadia Rajsz, Legislator
Agency representatives: –	Brian Brustman, SWCD Anthony Capraro, NRCS	Lisa Schick, SWCD David Mortensen, NRCS

II. <u>MINUTES:</u> J. Gorzynski made a motion to accept the minutes from the February 12, 2018 board meeting, E. Benson seconded, the motion was passed and carried.

III. <u>WRITTEN & VERBAL REPORTS</u>: See attached written reports.

- A. Capraro (NRCS):
 - EQIP funding Working on contracts for five projects that have been approved.
 - E. Sweeney has been working out of the District office one day a week.
 - Have received one application for the Conservation Stewardship Program and they are working with the applicant.
 - NRCS representatives will be attending the Sullivan County Community College job fair.
 - Predesign meeting with an engineer for a covered barnyard manure storage project in the Town of Cochecton with hopes for installing it this year.
- B. Sheridan (FSA):
 - Commodity loan program now has good rates. If interested in a pole barn and it is under \$50,000, it will not require a lien put on the property.
 - Details for milk program will be out shortly. Signing up for the 2018 insurance program will not be necessary. Partial reimbursement for this program is being looked into.

IV. OLD BUSINESS:

- A. Neversink/Rondout Grant: See written report
 - Hope to have some of the next contract to report at next meeting.
- B. Program Updates:
 - The 2017 Performance Measure award totaled \$87,882.00.
 - Tree & Shrub program going well and we have about 60 orders.
- C. Personnel Policy The policy was sent to county personnel for review and we are waiting for the response. Will table until the April meeting.

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

- A. Bank Reconciliation: The February bank statements were reviewed.
- VI. <u>DISTRICT CLAIMS</u>: J. Gorzynski made a motion to approve abstracts, bills and pre-approvals, seconded by H. Russell, the motion was passed and carried.

2018 - 2B	\$ 151,534.77
2018 - 3A	\$ 23,459.05

Bills presented to the Board for pre-approval: Total - \$ 6,264.51 - See breakdown sheet

- VII. <u>TREASURER REPORT</u>: The Profit and Loss and the Balance Sheet were reviewed. E. Benson made a motion to approve the reports, R. Kaplan seconded, the motion was passed and carried.
- VIII. <u>NEXT MEETING:</u> Monday, April 9, 2018 at 8:00 p.m.
- X. <u>ADJOURNMENT:</u> Adjourned at 7:00 p.m. Motion by H. Russell

Lisa Schick, Program Assistant Wilfred Hughson, Chairman