



Sullivan County Soil & Water Conservation District
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Sullivan County Soil & Water Conservation District
Board of Directors Meeting
March 14, 2022

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 6:00 p.m.

Board members present – Wilfred Hughson, Chairman Robert Kaplan, Vice Chairman
 Eugene Benson, Treasurer John Diehl, Farmer

Board members absent – Justin Sutherland, Farmer George Conklin III, Legislator
 Nadia Rajsasz, Legislator

Agency representatives: – Lisa Schick, SWCD

- II. MINUTES:** E. Benson made a motion to accept the minutes from the February 14, 2022, board meeting, J. Diehl seconded, no one opposed, the motion was passed and carried.

III. WRITTEN & VERBAL REPORTS:

NRCS: No report was sent
FSA: No report was sent
CCE: No report was sent
NYS SWCC: See written report

IV. OLD BUSINESS:

- A. Neversink/Rondout Grant: See written report
- B. Wagner sent a link to a presentation of 2021 / 2022 projects. Will forward to Directors.
 - Have received applications for five CSBI projects, of which two are eligible.
 - Pre-bid meeting for Ladleton project is scheduled for April 5th and bids will be due April 15th. Board will approve contractor award after bids have been reviewed. Project planning to start in May.
 - Request to hire two part-time interns for the spring/summer to help with projects. R. Kaplan made a motion to approve the hiring of two part-time seasonal employees, E. Benson seconded, no one opposed, the motion was passed and carried.

Neversink/Rondout Grant cont.:

- Request to use the remaining funds of the knotweed grant on a storage shed to be used at the new plant center. The knotweed grant has been closed out for several years. R. Kaplan made a motion to use the remaining funds to purchase the storage shed, W. Hughson seconded, no one opposed, motion was passed and carried.

B. Program Updates:

- Flood Mitigation - Looking into projects for this year.
- Tree & Shrub – Program doing well. We have received 75 orders so far.
- The spring fish program will start in April. Current supplier only wants to supply grass carp and minnows in spring and bass and trout in fall.
- Performance measure funds were awarded. The District will receive \$122,005.26. Invoice has been submitted. Will present a list of project options at next meeting. State reimbursement for \$60,000 has also been submitted.

C. District Audit: The 2021 District audit has started. Will speak with auditor about financial statements.

V. **NEW BUSINESS:**

A. Bank Statements: The bank statements were reviewed.

B. Director Training: The District Law powerpoint was given to the Directors.

VI. **DISTRICT CLAIMS:** R. Kaplan made a motion to approve abstracts, bills and pre-approvals, seconded by J. Diehl, no one opposed, the motion was passed and carried.

2022 – 2B	\$ 40,371.02
2022 – 3A	\$ 82,125.52

Bills presented to the Board for pre-approval: Total - \$ 40,292.66 - 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, W. Hughson seconded, no one opposed, the motion was passed and carried.

VIII. **NEXT MEETING:** The next meeting will be held on Monday, April 11, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.

X. **ADJOURNMENT:** Adjourned at 7:00 p.m. - Motion by E. Benson

Lisa Schick,
Program Assistant

Wilfred Hughson,
Chairman