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

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 6:00 p.m.

Board members present – Wilfred Hughson, Chairman Robert Kaplan, Vice Chairman

Eugene Benson, Treasurer Justin Sutherland, Farmer

Board members absent – George Conklin, Legislator Nadia Rajsz, Legislator

John Diehl, Farmer

Agency representatives: – Brian Brustman, SWCD Lisa Schick, SWCD

Ben Luskin, NYSSWCC

II. MINUTES: E. Benson made a motion to accept the minutes from the September 12, 2022, board meeting, R. Kaplan seconded, no one opposed, the motion was passed and carried.

III. WRITTEN & VERBAL REPORTS:

NRCS: See written report. FSA: No report was sent. CCE: No report was sent.

NYS SWCC: See written report

- There will be a 2-day managers meeting in December in Syracuse.
- Performance measure funding should increase.
- CRF and AG Non-Point source RFP's should be out in January.

IV. OLD BUSINESS:

- A. Neversink/Rondout Grant: See written report
 - DEP and SWCD staff are meeting to work on next contract draft.
- B. Program Updates:
 - Flood mitigation: all projects have been completed. Remainder of expense paid by Part C funds. Started looking at sites for 2023.
 - 2023 Tree pre-order has been placed. Working on a few more items. Will be creating the online order program.

Program Updates: cont.

- No Director terms will expire this December. Two directors need to have their term extended for 1-year as they were approved for two years instead of three. E. Benson made a motion to send a resolution to the County Legislature asking for an extension of 1 year Director term, W. Hughson seconded the motion, no one opposed, the motion was passed and carried.
- Waiting for the 2021 Audit to be sent to us along with the Adjusting Journal entries.
- The New York State Local Retirement invoice is here. If we pay by December 15, we save \$290. R. Kaplan made a motion to pay the invoice in December, E. Benson seconded, no one was opposed, the motion was passed and carried. Expense will be added to pre-approvals.

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

- A. Bank Statements: The bank statements were reviewed.
- VI. <u>DISTRICT CLAIMS</u>: R. Kaplan made a motion to approve abstracts, bills and pre-approvals, seconded by E. Benson, no one opposed, the motion was passed and carried.

2022 – 9B \$ 187,507.03 2022 – 10A \$ 16,779.25 2022 – 10B \$ 104,428.48 2022 – 11A \$ 20,747.04

Bills presented to the Board for pre-approval: Total - \$ 307,887.14 - See breakdown sheet

- VII. TREASURER REPORT: The Profit and Loss and the Balance Sheet were reviewed.
 - J. Sutherland 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, December 12, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.
- **X. ADJOURNMENT:** Adjourned at 6:45 p.m. Motion by E. Benson

Lisa Schick, Program Assistant Wilfred Hughson, Chairman