

Sullivan County Soil & Water Conservation District Board of Directors Meeting October 14, 2013

Minutes

There was no quorum so there was no official meeting.

Board Members Present – Wilfred Hughson, Chairman John Gorzynski, Member

Eugene Benson, Legislator

Board Members Absent - Robert Kaplan, Vice Chairman Beverly Martin, Treasurer

Harold Russell, Member Cora Edwards, Legislator

Agency Representatives - Brian Brustman, SWCD John Kline, SWCD

Lisa Schick, SWCD Karen Rauter, SWCD/ Nev/Rond

Board Directors present discussed the following agenda items:

- 1. Karen gave a report on Neversink Rondout updates and projects.
 - Have completed vegetation monitoring at all 1st year sites. Visual inspections completed at all project sites.
 - Completed 18 monitoring sites for bank erosion. Will finish Neversink mainstream this fall.
 - Frost Valley bioengineering installation and planting scheduled to begin October 21st.
 - The fall planting projects still need landowner permissions, agreements are taking longer.
 - Expanding beds for willows at the old ball field, the ball field has been moved. This area will make a good nursery site and no one wants to use the site.
 - Continue planting more willows into the crib wall at the Sundown project site.
 - Grant with DEC to do Japanese Knotweed injections. 18 Landowners participated. Brenden will come to the next meeting to do a presentation.
 - The new contract is being worked out and is hoping to start next year.
 - Karen is working on a "Sandy" grant to obtain funds for a flood hazard mitigation plan that she will be doing.
 - A landowner/contractor is still expressing disagreements with Rond/Nev program.
- 2. Bonacic Flood Mitigation Grant:
 - Waiting for the designwork from Woidt Eng. to be 90% complete. Would like to get the bids lined up for project to start in spring.
 - Will try to do the survey for the Cattail Brook project in the next 4-5 weeks.
- 3. Emergency Flood Training Project: Project is completed.

- 4. Trout Program: There were seven participants. District made a small profit and the program will now be offered every other year until landowner participation picks up.
- 5. Bank Reconciliation: Directors reviewed August and September bank reconciliations.
- 6. Budget: Lisa is working on the budget report. The NYS Retirement bill was received and is \$81,619, with approximately half will be the District's. Funds are tight.
- 7. Abstracts were submitted for review.

9B - \$ 25,413.68 10A - \$15,122.10

Pre approval: R & H Gorr - \$27,562. (when funds are received from Tetra Tech)

Hubbell Inc. - \$35,805.53 & \$660.

Town of Denning - \$44,380 Southern Tier Consulting - \$1564. Computer Doctors - \$324.75 Cardmember Services - \$598.18 Sullivan County DPW - \$300.44 Steingart Printing - \$691.03 Fabia Wargin Design - \$700. Indian Valley Industries - \$680.60 Ernst Conservation Seeds - \$1,257.75

- 8. Treasurer Report and Balance Sheet were reviewed.
- 9. Review Director terms that are up.

VIII: Next Meeting: Monday, November 4, 2013, at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Schick, Program Assistant