

# **SUSQUEHANNA COUNTY CONSERVATION DISTRICT**

**89 Industrial Drive, Montrose, PA 18801**

## **Monthly Board Meeting**

**Date: April 16, 2026**

**START TIME: 9:00 AM**

### **Attendance:**

**Directors:** Curt Hepler, Lillian Theophanis, Robert Fearnley, Ed Price, Jim Kessler, Bill Bayne, Michael Oakley, Dave Darrow

**Staff:** Don Hibbard, Jen Ramey, Maria Alden

**Agencies:** Michael Antonishak – DCNR

- Called to order by Curt Hepler at 9:00 AM
- Pledge to the Flag
- Comments from the Public
- Agency Reports
  - DEP – Written Report
  - NRCS – Written Report
  - DCNR – Oral Report from Mike Antonishak

### **Action Items:**

- **Action on previous meeting minutes** – Jim made a motion to accept the March 2026 minutes as written. Ed seconded. Motion approved.
- **Treasurer's Report** – Robert made a motion to accept and file for audit. Michael seconded. Motion approved.
- **Review and approval of monthly expenses** – Robert made a motion to approve the monthly expenses. Lillian seconded. Motion approved.
- **Penn Vest – Weaver Environmental Consulting, Resolution to apply-** Jim made a motion to hire Jeremy Weaver as Consultant to apply for Penn Vest funding on behalf of SCCD. Michael Oakley seconded. Motion approved.
- **Summer Intern Compensation** – Mike made a motion to increase the Summer Intern Compensation. Lillian seconded. Motion approved.
- **Interior Painting** – Three quotes were presented for review.
  - Twin Tier Estimate - \$10,000
  - Johns Painting Service - \$7,200.00
  - Squier Construction - \$18,657.00

The lowest bid was not chosen due to the time restraints. Lillian made a motion to approve the quote from Twin Tier Interior painting for 10,00.00. Ed seconded. Motion approved.

- **Education Center Setup** – Lillian made a motion to have a solicitor work on getting articles of incorporation completed, 501c3 and EIN. Erin’s Tax and Accounting Services can assist for the Education Center. Michael seconded. Motion approved.
- **Summer Intern recommendation** – Don and Jen conducted interviews for the Summer Intern position and recommended hiring Olivia Martin. Dave made a motion to approve recommendation. Lillian seconded. Motion approved.
- **Training Requests** – Four training requests were submitted.
  - Chapter 102 Basic Training – Penn Harris Hotel, Camp Hill, PA  
June 1 -5, 2026 – For Logan Fowler & Devyn Voda
  - PACD Joint Annual Conference – Harrisburg, PA  
August 3 – 6, 2026 – For Jen Ramey & Don Hibbard.
  - D&G Mandatory Admin & Financial Training – Bloomsburg & State College, PA-  
June 4, June 30, & Nov. 19, 2026. – For Jen Ramey, Don Hibbard & Devyn Voda
  - NACD Annual Conference – Location – TBD – Feb. 5-11, 2027 – For Jennifer Ramey & Don Hibbard. Mike made a motion to accept the training requests. Jim seconded. Motion approved.

### Informational Items

- **Commissioner Director Report** – Oral report given by Dave Darrow. Enacted a Data Center BESS (Battery, Energy Storage System) Ordinance.
- **Nominating Organization Report – PFSC & Trappers Association** – Ed reported that the next Trappers Association meeting will be on May 3, 2026 at the Fair Grounds. Trout season has officially started in PA. Senator Yaw wrote a bill to move the opening of deer season back to Monday.  
**FLO** – Jim reported that a Summer Picnic will be held at the Salt Springs State Park on June 20,2026 at 12:00 PM.  
**Farm Bureau** – Meet the Candidate Dinner on April 24, 2026 at the Public Safety Building, New Milford, PA. Also, there will be a Farm Tour on April 29, 2026 at 10:00 AM. The tour starts at the Salt Springs Salt Park.
- **District Manager Updates** – Reviewed.
- **Correspondences** – Reviewed.
- **Staff Reports** – Reviewed.
- **Comments from the Public** - None
- Entered executive session at 10:00 AM to discuss policy. Exited Executive Session at 10:22 AM.
- **Adjourn** – Dave made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:23 AM. Robert Seconded. Motion approved.

