

SUSQUEHANNA CONSERVATION DISTRICT
89 Industrial Dr., Montrose, PA 18801
Monthly Board Meeting – Approved Minutes
DATE: March 18, 2021
START TIME: 9:00 A.M.

Attendance: Bill Bayne, Jim Kessler, Brian Severcool, Robert Fearnley, Ed Price, Jack McKee, Curt Hepler, and Lillian Theophanis

Staff: Jennifer Ramey and Adrian Gregory

Agency: Ain Welmon and Shane Kleiner joined remotely

- Call to Order- Curt at 9:05
- Pledge to the Flag
- Comments from the Public- none
 - Agency Reports
 - NRCS- Ain Welmon written and oral report
 - DEP- Shane Kleiner written and oral report

Action Items

- Action on previous meeting minutes with changes.
Changes to February minutes should read as follows: Proposed SCC supplemental UGWF to be used for the following: \$2016.93 for manager position, \$50,000 for General Administrative Support, \$96,855.07 for Building Improvements reserve account and \$7000 for administration of SCCD's No-Till program. (\$7000 was needed for the No-Till program as there is no CB Special project reimbursements available. By allocating these funds, SCCD can still offer the cover crop discount to farmers.) Robert made a motion to except changes. Jack seconded. Motion approved.
- Ag Committee Recommendation to reallocate GG funds – discussion of additional GG funds to be transferred within grant. Jim made a motion to transfer grant monies from Bennett Farm to Reyan Farm. Jack seconded. Robert abstained.
 - Growing Greener – Reallocation of funds from Bennett to Reyan
 - Letter was mailed to Mr. Claude Bennett in reference to the discontinuance of GG funds at his operation on February 25, 2021. There has been no response from Mr. Bennett or his operator, Terry Bennett.
 - Breakdown of barnyard project

Estimated project cost	\$112,034.45
Initial GG funds awarded to Rob Reyan	\$ 25,902.27
Reyan In-kind match	\$ 22,640.49
Requested amount to be moved from Bennett	\$ 63,491.69
- Increase delivery charge of No-Till Equipment to \$125.00- Jack made a motion. Jim seconded. Motion approved.
- Treasurer's Report- Jim made a motion. Bill seconded. Motion approved.

- Review and approval of monthly expenses- Jim made a motion. Robert seconded. Motion passed.
- Motion to open new Reserve Building Improvement Account- Brian made a motion. Robert seconded. Motion passed.
- Money Market Account – Principal payment to mortgage – No balance requirements- Robert made a motion to make a payment of \$50,000 on the principal of the mortgage using monies from the Money Market Account. Brian seconded. Motion approved.
- Pavilion construction- Building Committee will meet after the work session to discuss the location and size of the pavilion. 20 by 40 size was suggested.
- Water donation to Farm Bureau for legislative farm tour on August 24, 2021 (100 bottles)- Robert made a motion to donate to the Farm Bureau for their legislative farm tour. Jack seconded. Motion passed.

Informational items

- Commissioner Director Report- None
- Nominating Organization Report-
 - Forest Land Owners- Jim reported that the trail tour last month was a success but he was unable to attend.
 - Federation of Sportsman Club-Ed reported that the club restructured and changed their name to Sportsman’s Club and Conservationist. Meetings are held every fourth Thursday at 7 pm.
- Committee Reports – Ag Committee met on 3/8/21. Discussions were covered in previous minutes.
- District Manager Updates
 - CAP meeting on Monday, March 22 at 10:30 for team and LDG, then at 1:30 for Farm Bureau and LDG
 - Nate Harpster, Dave Beichler and Jen attended the Farm Bureau meeting last Thursday
 - Seedling Sale is in full swing
 - SCCD has booth reserved for Harford Fair 2021
 - Courtney is designing a Dirt and Gravel Road hat to give to participants
 - Envirothon is an in-person event and will be held April 30th, 2021 at Elk Mountain Ski Resort
- Correspondences
- Staff Reports
- Comments from Public- None
- Adjourn- Bill made a motion at 10:16 to adjourn. Brian seconded. Motion approved.