

MINUTES
ALLEGANY COUNTY SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING - MAY 18, 2010
District Facility, 5390 County Road 48
Belmont, N.Y.

Directors

Rod Bennett, Chair
Ted Hopkins, Legislator
Curtis Rung, Grange
Doug Burdick, Legislator
Philip May, Farm Bureau

Staff

Scott Torrey, Exec. Dir
Gloria Miess, Admin Sec-Treas.

Visitors

Robbie Chamberlain

- I. Call to Order: 6:00PM**
- II. Minutes of April 8, 2010: Approved (May-Rung)**
- III. Financial Reports**
- A. Treasurer's Report: **Approved (Hopkins-May)**
 - B. Abstracts: **Approved (Hopkins-May)**
- IV. Cooperating Agency & Staff Reports**
- A. NRCS Report: No Report
 - B. Executive Director: No Report, first day on job.
- V. New Business**
- A. Resolution 2010-02 "Authorizing Certain Officials to Sign Checks for Withdrawal of Funds, as Well as Signing and Endorsing All Other Negotiable Instruments" **Approved (Hopkins-Rung)**
 - B. Resolution 2010-03 "Authorizing the Signing of a Contract with the Finger Lakes Association for Transfer of Funding for Finger Lakes-Lake Ontario Watershed Protection Alliance SFY2008-2009 Funding" **Approved (Rung-May)**
- VI. Old Business**
- A. 08FL-LOWPA Contract Approvals:
 - 1. Scott Accombs - \$5,000.00 Diversion Ditches
 - 2. Ronald Thering - \$5,000.00 Diversion Ditches
 - 3. Town of Belfast - \$5,000.00 Drainage System**Approved (Hopkins-Rung)**
- RC&D Application for Project Measures - McHenry Valley Creek Rehabilitation Project - **Approved (Rung-Burdick)**

- B. Potential District Roles in Natural Gas Development in NYS - The draft policy document entitled "SWCD Role in Natural Gas Development in NYS" was distributed to each Board member for review. It was the consensus of the Board that the Executive Director review this document and have suggested changes ready for Board action next month. It was suggested that a reimbursement for technical assistance be part of the policy, and that the liability of districts be plainly stated.
- C. Soil Group Worksheets - It was reported that, to date, we have completed 82 new worksheets and 3 revisions for a total of 5,728.65 acres. These acres were comprised of 3,210.29 acres of agricultural land and 2,410.99 acres of woodlands. Have 3 more to complete that came in last week.
- D. County Fair - Discussion was held on having a booth at the County Fair using the AEM display and brochures. Cost of a booth is \$125.00. It was suggested that we might be able to share a booth with another agency. Director May is going to check with Farm Bureau about using a portion of their booth.

VII. Announcements

- A. Next regular meeting will be June 15, 2010 at the District Facility at 6:00pm.

VIII. Correspondence: No action required.

IX. Adjournment: 7:04PM

Gloria D. Miess
Secretary

Rodney Bennett
Chairman