

MINUTES  
ALLEGANY COUNTY SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING – JANUARY 20, 2015  
District Facility, 5390 County Route 48  
Belmont, N.Y.

Directors

Rod Bennett, Chair  
Philip May, Farm Bureau  
Karl Graves, Legislator  
James Wilcox, Grange

Staff

Scott Torrey, Exec. Dir

Cooperating Agencies

1. **Call to Order: 5:00 pm**
  - A. Jim Wilcox was welcomed as the new Grange representative.
2. **Election of Officers**

Scott Torrey acted as Chairman for Elections  
Chairman – Rodney Bennett (**Graves - May**)  
Close Nominations (**Graves-May**)  
Vice Chairman – Phil May (**Graves-Bennett**)  
Close Nominations (**Graves-Bennett**)
3. **Minutes of December 16, 2014: Approved (Graves-Wilcox)**
4. **Financial Reports**
  - A. Treasurer’s Report: **Approved (Graves - May)**
  - B. Abstracts: **Approved (Graves - May)**
5. **Cooperating Agency & Staff Reports**
  - A. NRCS – No Report
  - B. FSA – No Report
  - C. Division of Land and Water Resources – Report attached.
  - D. Executive Director
    1. Program Updates:
      - Round 18
        - No changes in the last month
      - Round 19
        - Brubaker has completed his bedded pack barn.
      - Round 20
        - Have received contacts to sign.
        - Hope to begin construction in the spring on some of the projects.
      - Round 21
        - Grant application is due March 31, 2015
      - FL\_LOWPA
        1. Closeout documents for the 2011-12 grant have been submitted, waiting for review and final payment.
        2. Using FL-LOWPA education funds to help sponsor an Equine Management Workshop at Alfred University. This is being put

on by Country Cross Roads Feed and Seed and Penn State Cooperative Extension.

- AEM
  - Year 10
    1. The State lost our voucher for the \$21,250 so it will be February before we get our money.
    2. Working on getting Round 21 grant projects lined up
  - 2. Technical Assistance:
    - Working on engineering for 2015
      - West Almond has requested we work on getting the box culvert design work done for the FEMA project on George Road.
  - 3. General
    - Annual reports for both the State and County are due February 15
- 6. Old Business
  - A. District Technician Position – Job description has been finalized and will be advertised shortly.
- 7. New Business
  - A. Designation of Individuals to have the “Authorization to Sign” – Since Curtis Rung is no longer on the Board a new director is needed to sign checks. Karl Graves was designated to be the third individual to sign checks. **Approved (May-Bennett)**
  - B. Designation of Depositories – Steuben Trust – **Approved (May-Graves)**
  - C. Appointment of Audit Committee – Wilcox and Graves **Approved (May-Bennett)**
  - D. Designation of Official Newspaper – Wellsville Daily Reporter and Cuba Patriot **Approved (Graves-May)**
  - E. Board Meeting Schedule for 2015 – schedule attached **Approved (Graves-May)**
  - F. Water Quality Symposium Attendance Approval – permission for interested employees to attend **Approved (Graves-May)**
- 8. Announcements
  - A. Next meeting will be February 17, 2015, at the District Facility at 5:00pm.
- 9. Correspondence
- 10. Adjournment: 6:10pm

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Scott H Torrey  
Secretary/Treasurer to Board

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Rodney Bennett  
Chairman