

MINUTES  
ALLEGANY COUNTY SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING – January 17, 2017  
District Facility, 5390 County Route 48  
Belmont, N.Y.

Directors

Rod Bennett, Chair  
Marvin Covert, Farm Bureau  
Karl Graves, Legislator  
Jim Wilcox, Grange  
Judy Hopkins, Legislator

Staff

Scott Torrey, Exec Dir  
Tiffany McCumiskey, Secretary

Cooperating Agencies

1. **Call to Order: 5:27 pm**
2. **Election of Officers**  
Scott Torrey acted as Chairman for Elections  
Chairman – Rodney Bennett (**Graves-Hopkins**)  
Close Nominations (**Graves-Hopkins**)  
Vice Chairman – Karl Graves (**Bennett-Covert**)  
Close Nominations (**Bennett-Covert**)
3. **Minutes of December 20, 2016 Approved (Graves - Covert)**
4. **Financial Reports**
  - a. Treasurer’s Report: **Approved (Graves - Hopkins)**
  - b. Abstracts: **Approved (Graves - Hopkins)**
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 –
    - i. Program Updates:
      1. Round 18
        - a. Closeout should be complete next week and ready for Vic’s review
      2. Round 20
        - a. Bainbridge Farm is in the process of completing their manure storage project. Should be complete next week. We can then begin the closeout for this grant.
      3. Round 21
        - a. No changes in the last month.
      4. FL\_LOWPA
        - a. Year 13-14 closeout has been submitted.
        - b. Year 17-18 initial grant request was due today
      5. AEM
        - a. Year 12
          - i. Working on planning for farms

- ii. Continuing farm project planning for Round 23.
- 6. Southern Tier Program
  - a. Farms are working on getting bids for their projects.
  - b. Several farms are currently constructing their projects:
    - i. Aaron Brooks – bunk silo project complete
    - ii. Kevin Redman – project complete waiting on bills
    - iii. Vance Hark – freestall barn complete
    - iv. Les York – partially constructed
    - v. Gary Gilbert – freestall barn complete
    - vi. Phil May – hay storage barn complete
    - vii. Will Hall – bunk silo project almost complete
    - viii. Doug Behen – bunk silo project complete
    - ix. Rod Bennett – complete
    - x. Curt Stoltz – grain bin and dryer project is complete
- 7. Genesee River Erosion and Sediment Grant
  - a. Roger Fanton has been working on his project.
- ii. Technical Assistance:
  - 1. Cuba Lake dredging permit has been approved by the DEC. Still waiting on the Army Corps
  - 2. We are working on annual reports for the County and State.

**6. Old Business**

**7. New Business**

- a. **Designation of Depositories – Steuben Trust – Approved (Covert-Graves)**
- b. **Appointment of Audit Committee – Wilcox and Graves – Approved (Hopkins-Covert)**
- c. **Designation of Official Newspaper – Wellsville Daily Reporter and Cuba Patriot – Approved (Covert-Graves)**
- d. **Board Meeting Schedule for 2017 – see attached – Approved (Graves-Covert)**
- e. **Water Quality Symposium Attendance Approval – Requesting permission for employees to go to Water Quality Symposium in Syracuse, NY, March 14-17<sup>th</sup>. Approved (Graves – Hopkins)**

**8. Announcements**

- a. Next meeting will be February 21, 2017 at the District Facility at 5:30pm.

**9. Correspondence**

- a. Email – U.S. EPA announced 16-17 Great Lakes Restoration Initiative Funding which supports NYS Great Lakes Action Agenda

**10. Adjournment - 5:54pm Approved (Graves-Hopkins)**

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Tiffany A. McCumiskey  
Secretary to Board

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Rodney Bennett  
Chairman