

MINUTES  
ALLEGANY COUNTY SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING – July 15, 2014  
District Facility, 5390 County Route 48  
Belmont, N.Y.

Directors

Rod Bennett, Chair  
Philip May, Farm Bureau  
Ted Hopkins, Legislator  
Karl Graves, Legislator

Staff

Scott Torrey, Executive Director

Cooperating Agencies

Nicole Ayers, FSA

1. **Call to Order:** 6:00pm
2. **Minutes of June 15, 2014: Approved (Graves-Hopkins)**
3. **Financial Reports**
  - A. Treasurer's Report: **Approved (Hopkins-Graves)**
  - B. Abstracts: **Approved (Hopkins-Graves)**
4. **Cooperating Agency & Staff Reports**
  - A. NRCS: Report attached
  - B. FSA: Report attached
  - C. Victor DiGiacomo – Division of Land and Water Resources: July Report attached
  - D. Executive Director
    - i. Program Updates:
      1. Round 18
        - a. Shaklees are planning to finish their laneway work this summer and Bainbridge's cover crops will be finished this fall.
      2. Round 19
        - a. Will Hall – Manure storage is finished
        - b. Duane Brubaker – designs complete
      3. Round 20
        - a. Canacadea Creek Grazing Systems (\$83,580 total grant cost), Oil Creek BMP Implementation (\$117,058 total grant cost) and Black Creek Watershed Protection (\$263,410 total grant cost) have all been awarded to us.
        - b. Plan of Work is due August 18
      4. Round 21 is currently in the works at the State level
      5. FL\_LOWPA
        - a. Mike Vosburg's designs are complete and delivered.
        - b. Meeting with Brett Owens this week to go over location of their manure storage.
        - c. FL-LOWPA 10-11 has to be closed out by 12/31/14

- d. FL-LOWPA 11-12 and 12-13 have to closed out by 3/31/14
- 6. AEM
  - a. Year 10
  - b. Hosted a soil health workshop in conjunction with Steuben County SWCD last week at Chris Reinbold's farm.
- ii. Technical Assistance:
  - 1. Towns we are currently assisting with FEMA projects – Allen, Amity, Angelica and West Almond
  - 2. Looking at flooding issues in Andover and Shongo
- iii. County Forest
  - 1. Rob Chamberlain was the highest bidder for the Wier Lot sale at \$81,001.99
  - 2. Working on getting the C. Horner Lot ready for a softwood timber sale
- 5. **Old Business**
  - A. Hazard Mitigation Planning Update – Jeff Luckey has applied for grant money to pay for updating the Hazard Mitigation Plan. This money could be used to contract with Soil and Water to update the plan.
- 6. **New Business**
  - A. Soil Health Mini Grant
    - i. Discussion was held about applying for grant money to purchase a no till drill. It was decided that a drill would not be feasible due to maintenance and practicality issues. Applying for grant money to do educational sessions and demonstrations was discussed and approved. **Approved (Hopkins-May)**
  - B. Parking Lot Maintenance
    - i. It was recommended to get bids for black topping the dirt area of the parking lot
  - C. Truck Sale
    - i. Sale of the 2012 Dodge trucks was discussed. They will be put out for sealed bids with the opening of bids for the 2 door truck to take place at the August 19 Board meeting. The 4 door truck bid opening will occur at the September 16 Board meeting. **Approved (Hopkins-Graves)**
- 7. **Announcements**
  - A. Next Board Meeting: August 19, 2014, 6:00 pm
- 8. **Correspondence**
- 9. **Adjournment:** 6:30 pm

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Scott H Torrey  
Secretary/Treasurer to Board

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Rodney Bennett  
Chairman