

MINUTES
ALLEGANY COUNTY SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING – June 16, 2020
District Facility, 5390 County Route 48
Belmont, N.Y.

Directors

Rod Bennett, Chair
Joe Cygan, Farm Bureau
Karl Graves, Legislator
Judy Hopkins, Legislator
Josh Ormsby, Grange

Staff

Scott Torrey, Exec Dir
Tiffany McCumiskey, Secretary

Cooperating Agencies

Ben Renner, NRCS
Nicole Ayers, FSA
Vic DiGiacomo, Div of Land and Water

1. **Call to Order: 5:35 pm**
2. **Minutes of May 19, 2020 Approved (Graves - Cygan)**
3. **Financial Reports – Approved (Graves - Cygan)**
 - a. Treasurer’s Report
 - b. Abstracts
4. **Cooperating Agency & Staff Reports**
 - a. NRCS – see attached
 - b. FSA – see attached
 - c. Victor DiGiacomo – See Attached
 - d. Executive Director –
 1. Program Updates:
 - a. Round 20
 - i. Canacadea Creek – we are working on closeout documents.
 - ii. Oil Creek – we are working on closeout documents.
 - b. Round 21
 - i. Rushford Lake - we are working on the closeout documents.
 - ii. Wellsville Water Supply – we are working on closeout documents.
 - c. Round 24
 - i. Kyle and Scott Alsworth are working with Cody Pomeroy to get his project started.
 - d. Round 25
 - i. Waiting to receive 3 of our 4 contracts.
 - ii. Vouchers have been submitted for advance payments for Rushford Lake project.
 - e. Round 26
 - i. We submitted 7 applications.

Project Name	State Funding	SWCD Match	Farm Match	Total Grant
Cryder Creek Beef BMPs	\$250,950	\$1,250	\$103,950	\$356,150
Mayline Grazing System	\$65,850	\$675	\$25,850	\$92,375
Van Campen Creek BMPs	\$226,325	\$1,500	\$89,650	\$317,475
Angelica Water Supply Protection	\$349,300	\$1,375	\$222,200	\$572,875
Barney Ag Bag Pad	\$189,420	\$775	\$76,890	\$267,085
Scio Water Supply Protection	\$170,325	\$1,000	\$67,100	\$238,425
Keiser Farm Manure Storage	\$55,065	\$725	\$19,800	\$75,590
Total	\$1,307,235	\$7,300	\$605,440	\$1,919,975

f. FL_LOWPA

i. 17-18 Grant

1. Projects are complete we are working on the closeout.
2. Leonard and Kyle met with Meehan Farm to layout their diversion ditches.

g. AEM

- i. We are waiting on our final Year 15 payment of \$54,750.
- ii. We have received our Round 16 contract. The claim for payment for the initial 25% was submitted today.

h. Southern Tier Program

- i. No changes in the last month.

i. FEMA

- i. Van Campen Creek – we will be working on this planning later this summer.

j. Belfast River Stabilization

- i. Permit documents have been submitted to the DEC and Army Corp.

k. CAFO Waste Storage Grant

- i. Barney Farm is planning to construct their bedded back barn in September. We will be meeting with them in the next few weeks to finalize the plans.
 - ii. Lismore Dairy – we have been working on the plans for their storage.
 - iii. Ponderosa Farm – we are working on the closeout documents.
 - l. WQIP Grants
 - i. Working on contract documents for the 5 grants we were awarded in 2019.
 - m. EPA-GLRI Grant
 - i. Sam Clark is waiting on the contractor to complete his project.
 - ii. Hillcrest Homestead and Bennett Brothers Farm have completed their reduced tillage practices.
 - n. Great Lakes Sediment and Nutrient Reduction Program:
 - i. No changes in the last month.
 - o. Erosion and Sediment Control in the Genesee River and Finger Lakes Watershed Grant
 - i. No changes in the last month.
 - p. DEC Aid to Localities Grant
 - i. No changes in the last month.
- 2. Technical Assistance
 - a. Completed permitting for a landowner in the Town of Alma to do a streambank stabilization project.
 - b. Kyle and Leonard are working with several landowners on erosion issues.
 - c. The county forest harvest of the Travis Lot is about 60% complete.

Grant Approval Information

1. FL-LOWPA 2019-20 Contract Approvals

- ii. Val Dale Farm – Town of Wirt– This project is to repair a vegetative treatment strip so that it meets CAFO regulations. FL-LOWPA cost share to be \$10,000 with the farm covering the remaining amount.
- iii. Leon Sherman Farm – Town of West Almond - This project is to install fencing for a rotational grazing system for the farm’s beef cows. FL-LOWPA cost share to be \$7,500 with the farm covering the remaining amount.

5. Old Business

6. New Business

- a. **CAFO Waste Storage and Transfer 1 Year Extension – Val Dale Farm – Approved (Cygan – Graves)**
- b. **COVID-19 Reopening Safety Plan – Approved (Graves – Cygan)**

7. Announcements

- i. **Next Board Meeting, July 21, at 5:30pm**
- ii. **August Board Meeting – Need a new date – The August meeting will be held August 25, 2020. Approved (Graves – Cygan)**

- 8. Correspondence**
 - a. **NYACD Newsletter**

- 9. Adjournment - 6:25 pm Approved (Graves - Cygan)**

Tiffany A. McCumiskey
Secretary to Board

Rodney Bennett
Chairman