

MINUTES
ALLEGANY COUNTY SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING –November 17, 2015
District Facility, 5390 County Route 48
Belmont, N.Y.

Directors

Rod Bennett, Chair
Jim Wilcox, Grange
Phil May, Farm Bureau
Karl Graves, Legislator

Staff

Scott Torrey, Exec. Dir

Cooperating Agencies

Nicole Ayers, FSA

1. **Call to Order:** 5:20 pm
2. **Minutes of October 20, 2015: Approved (Graves-May)**
3. **Financial Reports**
 - A. Treasurer's Report: **Approved (Graves-May)**
 - B. Abstracts: **Approved (Graves-May)**
4. **Cooperating Agency & Staff Reports**
 - A. NRCS – No Report
 - B. FSA – Report attached
 - C. Division of Land and Water Resources – Report attached
 - D. Executive Director
 - i. Program Updates:
 1. Round 18
 - a. No changes in the last month
 2. Round 19
 - a. No changes in the last month
 3. Round 20
 - a. No changes in the last month.
 4. Round 21
 - a. Plan of Works due November 20, 2015.
 5. FL_LOWPA
 - a. No changes in the last month
 6. Genesee River Erosion and Sediment Grant
 - a. No changes in the last month
 7. AEM
 - a. Year 11
 - i. Report due December 3, 2015
 8. DEC Grant
 - a. No changes in the last month
 9. Southern Tier Program
 - a. No changes in the last month
 - ii. General Items

1. The Ag District #1 review has been approved by the Ag and Farmland Protection Board. We will having a public hearing on December 14, 2015 before the Legislator meeting
2. Held the first meeting of the Ag and Farmland Protection Board to being the update process of the County's Farmland Protection Plan.
3. The timber harvest on the Weir and C. Horner Lots is continuing.
4. Meeting with the DEC tomorrow to discuss the Rush Creek issues.
5. Ryan will be attending the District Manager's meeting in Cortland this week as I need to attend the Legislator meeting Wednesday.

5. **Old Business**

- A. Part B Project Approval – Submitting for funding to do a animal laneway stabilization project at Cherry View Farm (Bruce Vosburg) for \$6,000 **Approved (Graves-May)**
- B. 2016 Plan of Work Approval – Plan of Work was discussed **Approved (Graves-May)**

6. **New Business**

- A. 2016 Budget – budget and employee compensation was reviewed. Raises ranged from 1-4%. No concerns were presented. **Budget Approved (May-Wilcox)**
- B. Insurance quote approval – Quotes were requested from Richardson and Stout Insurance Agency and Marshall Insurance Services. We only received a quote from Richardson and Stout for \$6,748.44. This represents a \$245.89 decrease from 2015. **Approved renewing insurance with Richardson and Stout (Graves-May)**
- C. Retirement Payment – We will be making our NYS Retirement payment early again this year.
- D. Cooperative Extension space needs – CCE has come to us asking for some space to use for 3 people temporarily. Their building has been condemned and they need to be out of it by December 15, 2015. The Board decided to let Scott T. handle this matter and they would back what he decided. **Approved (Bennett-May)**

7. **Announcements**

- A. Next meeting will be December 15, 2015 at the District Facility at 5:00pm.

8. **Correspondence**

9. **Adjournment: 6:05 pm – Approved (Graves - Wilcox)**

Scott H Torrey
Secretary/Treasurer to Board

Rodney Bennett
Chairman