

MINUTES
ALLEGANY COUNTY SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING – August 17,2021
District Facility, 5390 County Route 48
Belmont, N.Y.

Directors

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

Staff

Scott Torrey, Exec Dir
Tiffany McCumiskey, Rushford, NY

Cooperating Agencies

1. **Call to Order:** 5:39 pm
2. **Minutes of July 20, 2021 Approved (Cygan - Ormsby)**
3. **Financial Reports – Approved (Cygan - Hopkins)**
 - a. Treasurer’s Report
 - b. Abstracts
4. **Cooperating Agency & Staff Reports**
 - a. NRCS – No Report
 - b. FSA – No Report
 - c. Victor DiGiacomo – Division of Land and Water Resources – See Attached
- Executive Director –
Program Updates:
 - Round 21
 - Rushford Lake – The final closeout documents have been sent to Albany for final review.
 - Round 24
 - Cody Pomeroy is part way through construction of his pack barn.
 - Round 25
 - Black Creek Manure Storages
 - No changes in the last month.
 - Cryder Creek Grazing System
 - No changes in the last month.
 - Rushford Lake Protection Phase 2
 - Jones Beef Farm is continuing to work on their pack barn.
 - Wellsville Water Supply Protection
 - No changes in the last month.
 - Round 26
 - No changes in the last month.
 - Round 27
 - We submitted a request to the State that they reconsider the two applications that were rejected since they had CNMP’s completed. The State approved this request, and the two applications are now being considered for funding.
 - FL-LOWPA

- We have received our 20-21 advance payment.
- Chuck Deichman has completed his manure storage project.
- AEM
 - Farms are working on their projects.
 - We are working on planning projects for the next round of AEM funding.
- Southern Tier Program
 - Tiffany is working on putting closeouts together.
- FEMA
 - Van Campen Creek – we are currently working on designs.
 - Belfast River Stabilization
 - I met with Tom Miner, County Attorney, about this project. He will not have time to work on the contract documents. He was going to talk to the County Administrator about how they should handle this.
 - We are still waiting on approval of our extension.
- CAFO Waste Storage Grant
 - Barney Farms is close to completing their bedded pack barn.
- WQIP Grants
 - We are continuing to work on the planning grants for Van Campen Creek, Philips Creek and Black Creek.
 - The following are applications we submitted for Round 11 of the WQIP grant program:

Project	State Amount	Landowner Amount	SWCD Amount From Grant	Match	Total
Caneadea Creek Stabilization Plan			\$ 30,000.00	\$ 3,790.03	\$33,790.03
Dyke Creek Stabilization Plan			\$ 30,000.00	\$ 5,178.18	\$35,178.18
VanCampen Creek Stabilization Plan			\$ 30,000.00	\$ 3,562.03	\$33,562.03
Genesee River Stabilization Plan			\$ 30,000.00	\$ 4,413.84	\$34,413.84
Town of Centerville Salt Storage Facility	\$135,000.00	\$ 135,000.00	\$ 5,125.20	\$ 5,125.21	\$280,250.41
Town of Amity Salt Storage Facility	\$50,000.00	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 7,567.33	\$ 7,567.33	\$115,134.66
	\$185,000.00	\$185,000.00	\$132,692.53	\$29,636.62	\$532,329.15

- EPA-GLRI Grant
 - No changes in the last month.
- Great Lakes Sediment and Nutrient Reduction Program:
 - No changes in the last month.
- Erosion and Sediment Control in the Genesee River and Finger Lakes Watershed Grant
 - Waiting on a DEC stream permit.
- Technical Assistance

- We did not receive any bids for the Rattlesnake Hill timber sale. The County has decided they will postpone requesting bids until they have settled a property line dispute.
- Leonard and Kyle met with the Village of Andover's Mayor about stream erosion issues.
- Leonard and Kyle have been assisting with permitting and technical advice regarding flooding in Cuba.
- I met with the consultants who are working on the Genesee River Local Waterfront Revitalization Plan.
- We continue to assist multiple landowners throughout the county with stream related issues.
 - d. We received notice that Ag District #2 is now up for its 8-year review. I will be meeting with the County Attorney to set the schedule for this process.

5. Old Business

- a. **M & J Dairy Grant Funding** – Proposing to use \$57,000.00 of Part C Funding to assist with the Manure Storage implementation. An additional \$20,000.00 of Part C Funding will be used after January 1, 2022 to assist with a manure transfer pump for the system. **Approved (Cygan - Ormsby)**

6. New Business

- a. **RT Chamberlain – Diversion Ditch** – Proposing to use \$5,000.00 of FL-LOWPA funds to install a 450'-500' diversion ditch to stope erosion and direct surface water to a nearby stream. **Approved (Hopkins – Cygan)**

7. Announcements

- i. **Next Board Meeting, September 21, 2021 at 5:30pm.**

8. Correspondence

9. Adjournment - 5:57 pm Approved (Cygan - Hopkins)

Tiffany A. McCumiskey
Secretary to Board

Rodney Bennett
Chairman