

MINUTES
ALLEGANY COUNTY SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING – July 19, 2022
District Facility, 5390 County Route 48
Belmont, N.Y.

Directors

Rod Bennett, Chair
Samuel Mietlowski, Farm Bureau
Kevin (Fred) Demick, Legislator - Absent
Adam Cyr, Legislator
Josh Ormsby, Grange

Staff

Scott Torrey, Exec Dir
Tiffany McCumiskey, Secretary

Cooperating Agencies

Nicole Ayers, FSA
Ben Renner, NRCS

1. **Call to Order:** 5:22 pm
2. **Minutes of June 21, 2022 Approved (Cyr - Ormsby)**
3. **Financial Reports – Approved (Cyr - Ormsby)**
 - a. Treasurer’s Report
 - b. Abstracts
4. **Cooperating Agency & Staff Reports**
 - a. NRCS –
 - *Allegany Co. selected for National Civil Rights Review – July 25-29, 2022
 - 1 district board member will be interviewed (via phone, 30 minutes) as part of this Civil Rights Compliance Review – Sam and Rod have volunteered and have turned in all paperwork. They may be contacted next week by a representative.

EQIP (Environmental Quality Incentives Program) – Including GLRI

- Currently completing contracts for 11 preapproved applications (grazing, planning, forestry)

CSP (Conservation Stewardship Program)

- 4 applications preapproved so far (3 ag, 1 forestry)

- b. FSA – See attached
- c. Victor DiGiacomo - Division of Land and Water Resources – See attached
- d. Executive Director –
 - a. Program Updates:
 - i. Round 24
 1. No changes in the last month.
 - ii. Round 25
 1. Black Creek Manure Storages
 - a. No changes in the last month.
 2. Cryder Creek Grazing System
 - a. No changes in the last month.
 3. Rushford Lake Protection Phase 2

- i. We are working on the designs for D&R Farms manure storage. They plan to complete it this year.
 - 4. Wellsville Water Supply Protection
 - a. No changes in the last month.
 - iii. Round 26
 - 1. In the process of completing designs for Hamilton Beef Farm bedded pack barn.
 - iv. Round 27
 - 1. No changes in the last month.
 - v. FL-LOWPA
 - 1. Nathan Hanes has finished his fence project.
 - 2. Pomeroy Farm is in the process of completing their fencing project.
 - 3. Val Dale Farm is starting their VTA project.
 - vi. AEM
 - 1. Kyle is working on a comprehensive nutrient management plan for Cairns Farm in Angelica and West Almond.
 - 2. Leonard is working on designs for a sand separation system at Bainbridge Farm in West Almond.
 - vii. Southern Tier Program
 - 1. We are working on closeouts again.
 - viii. FEMA
 - 1. Van Campen Creek –
 - a. Will be getting bids to start in August.
 - 2. FEMA has requested more information for the two project applications that we submitted to them last month. We are working on getting the information compiled.
 - ix. CAFO Waste Storage Grant
 - 1. Barney Farm has partially completed their manure storage project.
 - 2. Val Dale Farm has partially completed their manure storage project.
 - 3. Lismore Dairy has started their manure storage project.
 - 4. Working on the closeout documents for Hillcrest Homestead's manure storage project.
 - x. WQIP Grants
 - 1. We are writing a salt storage building grant for the Town of Angelica.
 - 2. We are writing grants to cover the cost of designing 2 more stream projects.
 - 3. We are working on contract documents for 3 grants approved last December.
 - xi. Great Lakes Sediment and Nutrient Reduction Program:

1. Van Campen Creek at Val Dale – project is partially complete. It should be finished by the end of July.
 - xii. Erosion and Sediment Control in the Genesee River and Finger Lakes Watershed Grant
 1. Bainbridge Farm has completed their stabilization project.
 - xiii. Part B
 1. No changes in the last month.
 - xiv. Part C
 1. No changes in the last month.
- b. Technical Assistance
 - i. Leonard has worked with several landowners on stream assistance and permits.
 - ii. Emily is working on updating the County Forest Management Plan.
 - iii. The cleanup of the Travis Lot is 95% complete. This is from the 2020 timber harvest.

5. Old Business

6. New Business

7. Announcements

- i. **Next Board Meeting, August 23, 2022 at 5:30pm.**

8. Correspondence

9. Adjournment – 5:36 pm Approved (Ormsby - Cyr)

Tiffany A. McCumiskey
Secretary to Board

Rodney Bennett
Chairman