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**Berks County Conservation District Minutes**

**Mission Statement:** "Dedicated to the encouragement and instruction of the wise stewardship of the soil and waters of Berks County, so that the present and future generations may have healthy land on which to live and work, and clean water for drinking and recreation."

**Date:** Wednesday June 28, 2017  
**Time:** 1:00 p.m. – Monthly Board Meeting  
**Location:** Kauffman’s Bar-B-Q  
33 Gravel Pit Road  
Bethel, PA

Call to Order at 1:12 p.m. by Chair Piper Sherburne

Pledge the Flag

Public Comment – None

Present

Chair: Piper Sherburne

Directors: Brian Boyer, Larry Gelsinger, Commissioner Leinbach, Joe Rosenbaum

Associate Directors: Jason Bailey, T. John Bicksler, Leonard Good, Larry Kehl, Ross Stowell

BCCD Staff: Dean Druckenmiller, Olivia Carlson, Shane Conville, Christine Griesemer, Josh Hanna, Eric

Hout, Kent Himelright, Gus Meyer, Jeff Overstreet, Kelsey Schwenk, Rita Seidel, Tammy Bartsch

NRCS: Nick Ramsey

Ag Land Preservation/Department of Ag: Kim Fies

DEP: Elwood Blake

DCNR: Rick Hartlieb

Guests: Mary Buerer, Mark and Nancy Wolfskill

Action on Minutes of Previous Meeting

- Motion  
A motion was made to accept the minutes of the previous meeting (B. Boyer, C. Leinbach)

Financial Statements for the Month

Approval of Payment of Bills

- Motion  
A motion was made to pay the bills (C. Leinbach, J. Rosenbaum)

Correspondence – On File

Presentation – Employee Semi-Annual Recognition – Christine Griesemer

**Cooperating Agency Reports**

**Committee Reports**

**Admin Tech – June’s Meeting was cancelled**

**RMC - Brian Boyer**

**2016 Audit**

Letter of Acknowledgement needs to be signed by Chair to move forward with audit.

- Motion  
A motion was made to sign the Letter of Acknowledgement. (B. Boyer, G. Seidel.  
Motion passed

**D&GR – Piper Sherburne**

**New Business**

**A PACD Update – Glenn Seidel**

**B Affiliate Memberships**

**Nutrient Management Plan Amendments and Tri-Annual Reviews (1)**

Name	Municipality	Animal Numbers & Type	Acres	Plan Type	AEU	AEU/Acre	Reviewer
Dennis Miller	Perry	45,400 Broilers, 25 Cow / Calf, 12 Ewes	59.5	CAO	151.74	2.83	Carlson

**Motion**

- A motion was made to approve the NMP amendments of Dennis Miller.  
(G. Seidel, J. Rosenbaum)  
Motion passed

The delegated conservation district shall approve, modify or disapprove any NMP within 90 days of receipt of the complete plan.

- The district's action on the plan requires a formal action of the board.
- If a NMP operation plan is disapproved, the NMP operation submitting the plan for the first time shall have 90 days after receipt of a written notice explaining specific reasons for the disapproval to resubmit a revised plan.

**SC-1 Requests (5)**

Name	OP/OW	Municipality	Watershed	Acres	Reason
John Bicksler, Jr.	Operator	Bethel	Swatara	20	Ag E&S Plan
Jesse Alspaugh	Owner/Operator	Bethel	Swatara	181.4	Ag E&S Plan
Larry Mertz	Operator	Maxatawny	Sacony	95	Ag E&S Plan
James Dietrich	Owner/Operator	Tilden	Mill Creek		Ag E&S Plan
Irvin Henry	Owner/Operator	Pike	Manatawny	14	Ag E&S Plan

**Motion**

- A motion was made to approve the SC1 requests of John Bicksler, Jr., Jesse Alspaugh, Larry Mertz, James Dietrich and Irvin Henry.  
(C. Leinbach, J. Rosenbaum)  
Motion passed

**Conservation Plans (5)**

Name	Municipality	Acres	Tract#	Planner
Gerald Martin	Upper Tulpehocken	141.7	581	Griesemer
Knauer Brothers	North Heidelberg	8.9	10045	Griesemer
Knauer Brothers	North Heidelberg	26.5	692	Griesemer
Bobby and Linda Tercha	Longswamp	15.1	3615	Carlson
Waylan Nolt	Greenwich	108	1966	Carlson

**Motion**

- A motion was made to concur with Conservation Plans of Gerald Martin, Kanauer Brothers (2), Bobby and Linda Tercha and Waylan Nolt.  
(L. Gelsinger, J. Rosenbaum)  
Motion passed

*"The Berks County Conservation District concurs with these plans, based on NRCS certification that the plans meet the standards and specifications of the Pennsylvania Field Office Technical Guide for NRCS -"OR AS APPROPRIATE".*

**Reports:** Filed

**Adjournment**

**Motion**

- A motion was made to adjourn. (G. Seidel, J. Rosenbaum)  
Motion passed  
Meeting adjourned at 2:17

Respectfully submitted,

Tammy L. Bartsch, Secretary to the Board of Directors



<b>Month</b>	<b>Date &amp; Time</b>	<b>Event</b>
<b>June</b>	8 <sup>th</sup> – 9:00 a.m.	Admin Tech Meeting
	14 <sup>th</sup> – 10:00 a.m.	Workshop Conference Call
	20 <sup>th</sup> – 8:00 a.m.	RMC Meeting
	27 <sup>th</sup> - 29 <sup>th</sup>	Don Hartman Conservation Leadership School
	28 <sup>th</sup> – 12:00 p.m.	DGLVR Meeting
	28 <sup>th</sup> – Beginning at 11:00 a.m.	Board Meeting at Kauffman’s Bar B Q 11:00 a.m. Mini Golf; 12:00 p.m. Lunch; 1:00 p.m. Board Meeting
<b>July</b>	4 <sup>th</sup>	Independence Day – Office Closed
	12 <sup>th</sup> – 10:00 a.m.	Workshop Conference Call
	13 <sup>th</sup> – 9:00 a.m.	Admin Tech Meeting
	18 <sup>th</sup> – 8:00 a.m.	RMC Meeting
	26 <sup>th</sup> – 12:00 p.m.	DGLVR Meeting
	26 <sup>th</sup> – 1:00 p.m.	Board Meeting
<b>August</b>	9 <sup>th</sup> – 10:00 a.m.	Workshop Conference Call
	10 <sup>th</sup> – 9:00 a.m.	Admin Tech Meeting
	15 <sup>th</sup> – 8:00 a.m.	RMC Meeting
	30 <sup>th</sup> – 12:00 p.m.	DGLVR Meeting
	30 <sup>th</sup> – 1:00 p.m.	Board Meeting
<b>September</b>	4 <sup>th</sup>	Labor Day – Office Closed
	13 <sup>th</sup> – 10:00 a.m.	Workshop Conference Call
	14 <sup>th</sup> – 9:00 a.m.	Admin Tech Meeting
	19 <sup>th</sup> – 8:00 a.m.	RMC Meeting
	27 <sup>th</sup> – 12:00 p.m.	DGLVR Meeting
	27 <sup>th</sup> – 12:00 p.m.	Board Meeting
<b>October</b>	9 <sup>th</sup>	Columbus Day – Office Closed
	11 <sup>th</sup> – 10:00 a.m.	Workshop Conference Call
	12 <sup>th</sup> – 9:00 a.m.	Admin Tech Meeting
	17 <sup>th</sup> – 8:00 a.m.	RMC Meeting
	23 <sup>rd</sup> – 5:30 p.m.	70 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Banquet and A Bite of Berks Celebration!
	25 <sup>th</sup> – 12:00 p.m.	DGLVR Meeting
	25 <sup>th</sup> – 1:00 p.m.	Board Meeting
<b>November</b>	8 <sup>th</sup> – 10:00 a.m.	Workshop Conference Call
	9 <sup>th</sup> – 9:00 a.m.	Admin Tech Meeting
	21 <sup>st</sup> – 8:00 a.m.	RMC Meeting
	23 <sup>rd</sup>	Thanksgiving – Office Closed
	24 <sup>th</sup>	Black Friday – Office Closed
	29 <sup>th</sup> – 12:00 p.m.	DGLVR Meeting
	29 <sup>th</sup> – 1:00 p.m.	Board Meeting
<b>December</b>	12 <sup>th</sup> – 10:00 a.m.	Workshop Conference Call
	13 <sup>th</sup> – 9:00 a.m.	Admin Tech Meeting
	19 <sup>th</sup> – 8:00 a.m.	RMC Meeting
	25 <sup>th</sup>	Christmas Day – Office Closed
	27 <sup>th</sup> – 12:00 p.m.	DGLVR Meeting
	27 <sup>th</sup> – 1:00 p.m.	Board Meeting