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Berks County Conservation District Board Meeting 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 November 29, 2017
Time: 1:00 p.m.
Location: Berks County Agricultural Center, 1238 County Welfare Road, Leesport, PA

Meeting was called to order at 1:05 by Chair Piper Sherburne

Pledge the Flag

Public Comment – None

Present

Chair: Piper Sherburne

Directors: Troy Alderfer, Larry Gelsinger, Commissioner Leinbach, Joseph Rosenbaum, Glenn Seidel

Associate Directors: Jason Bailey, Leonard Good, Ross Stowell

BCCD Staff: Dean Druckenmiller, Joshua Hanna, Tammy Bartsch

NRCS: Nick Ramsey

Ag Land Preservation/Berks County Dept. of Ag – Kim Fies

DEP – Elwood Blake

Guests: Val Lacis – Reading Eagle;

Action on Minutes of Previous Meeting

- Motion
A motion was made to accept the minutes of the previous meeting (G. Seidel, T. Alderfer)
Motion carried

Financial Statements for the Month

Approval of Payment of Bills

- Motion
A motion was made for payment of the bills. (C. Leinbach, J. Rosenbaum)
Motion carried

Correspondence – On File

Presentation: Tammy Bartsch – 70th Anniversary Celebration Summary

Cooperating Agency Reports

Committee Reports

Admin Tech – Glenn Seidel

Right-to-Know Policy

- Motion
A motion was made to approve the new Right-to-Know policy; motion was amended to add rescind the policy dated September 2003. (G. Seidel, J. Rosenbaum)
Motion carried

RMC - Brian Boyer

2016 Audit

- Motion
A motion was made to approve the 2016 Audit and sig the Representation Letter (T. Alderfer, J. Rosenbaum)
Motion carried

2018 Budget

- Motion
A motion was made to approve the 2018 budget. (L. Gelsinger, C. Leinbach)
Motion carried



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D&GR – Piper Sherburne

Low Volume Road Project

- Motion
A motion was made to approve the Low Volume Road Project for a stream crossing in Tulpehocken Township on Witman Road in the amount of \$27,808.05. (T. Alderfer, L. Gelsinger)
Motion Carried

Old Business None

New Business

A PACD Update – Piper Sherburne

B PACD/SCC Conference

If you would like to attend, contact the office to register.

C 2018 Committee and Board Meeting Dates & Times

- Motion
A motion was made to approve and advertise the 2018 dates and times with the exception of the December Board meeting; the December Board meeting will be moved to December 19, 2018. (G. Seidel, L. Gelsinger)

D Signatures Needed

1) Level III NPDES

The moving to level III was approved at last month’s board meeting; signature is needed from the Board of Directors to move ahead.

2) Chesapeake Bay Technician Grant

Signature is needed for the revisions to the grant.

3) Chesapeake Bay Special Projects (2) Grant

Signature is needed for the revisions to the grant

- Motion
A motion was made to sign the revised Chesapeake Bay Technician Grant and the Chesapeake Bay Special Projects Grant. (C. Leinbach, T. Alderfer)
Motion Carried

Nutrient Management Plan Amendments & Tri-Annual Reviews

| Name | Municipality | Animal Numbers & Type | Acres | Plan Type | AEU | AEU/Acre | Reviewer |
|----------------------|--------------|-----------------------|-------|-----------|--------|----------|----------|
| Joe Jurgielewicz (H) | Centre | 30,000 Ducks | 10.7 | CAO/CAFO | 133.01 | 133.01 | Carlson |
| Joe Jurgielewicz (N) | Perry | 23,500 Ducks | 12.5 | CAO/CAFO | 104.19 | 104.19 | Carlson |
| Joe Jurgielewicz (B) | Bethel | 18,000 Ducks | 5.5 | CAO/CAFO | 63.9 | 63.9 | Carlson |
| Kim Schlappich | Centre | 32,000 Ducks | 0 | CAO/CAFO | 102.72 | 102 | Seidel |

- Motion
A motion was made to approve the Nutrient Management Plan Amendment & Tri-Annual Review of Joe Jurgielewicz (3 plans) and Kim Schlappich. (C. Leinbach, J. Rosenbaum)
Motion carried

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.



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Conservation Plans

| Name | Municipality | Acres | Tract# | Planner |
|---|------------------|-------|--------|------------|
| Marlin Lauver | Brecknock | 136 | 2076 | Overstreet |
| Gel bare Farms | North Heidelberg | 108 | 925 | Hanna |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Motion A motion was made to concur with the Conservation Plans of Marlin Lauver and Gel bare Farms. (C. Leinbach, T. Alderfer) Motion carried | | | | |

“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”.

SC-1 Requests

| Name | Operator/Owner | Municipality | Watershed | Acres | Reason |
|---|----------------|--------------|------------|-------|-----------------|
| Luckenbill Farms | Op | Tilden | Schuylkill | 9.5 | Cons Plan & MNP |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Motion A motion was made to approve the SC-1 Request of Luckenbill Farms (T. Alderfer, J. Rosenbaum) Motion carried | | | | | |

Reports: Filed

Comments: None

Adjournment

- Motion
A motion was made to adjourn. (J. Rosenbaum, G. Seidel)
Motion carried
Meeting adjourned at 2:20 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Tammy L. Bartsch, Secretary
Berks County Conservation District

| Month | Date & Time | Event |
|----------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| December | 12 th – 10:00 a.m. | Workshop Conference Call |
| | 13 th – 9:00 a.m. | Admin Tech Meeting |
| | 19 th – 8:00 a.m. | RMC Meeting |
| | 25 th | Christmas Day – Office Closed |
| | 27 th – 12:00 p.m. | DGLVR Meeting |
| | 27 th – 1:00 p.m. | Board Meeting |