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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 October 25, 2017
Time: 1:00 p.m.
Location: Berks County Agricultural Center, 1238 County Welfare Road, Leesport, PA

Meeting was called to order at 1:06 by Chair Piper Sherburne

Pledge the Flag

Public Comment – None

Present

Chair: Piper Sherburne

Directors: Brian Boyer, Larry Gelsinger, Commissioner Leinbach, Joseph Rosenbaum, Glenn Seidel

Associate Directors: Jason Bailey, Leonard Good, Jim McCarthy, Ross Stowell

BCCD Staff: Dean Druckenmiller, Olivia Carlson, 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, B. Boyer)
Motion carried

Financial Statements for the Month

Approval of Payment of Bills

- Motion
A motion was made for payment of the bills. (B. Boyer, G. Seidel)
Motion carried

Correspondence – On File

Presentation: Kent Himelright – Source Water Protection Plan

Cooperating Agency Reports

Committee Reports

Admin Tech – Glenn Seidel

Meeting was cancelled

RMC - Brian Boyer

Zartman / Penn Dot Project

- Motion
A motion was made to approve the Zartman / Penn Dot project. (G. Seidel, C. Leinbach)
Motion carried

Zartman / Penn Dot Project Funding

- Motion
A motion was made to use up to \$100,000 from the Clean Water Fund account to fund the Zartman / Penn Dot (B. Boyer, C. Leinbach)
Motion carried

Level III Delegation Enforcement

- Motion
A motion to take on Level III for both the 102 and 105 programs; get proper training; develop an enforcement policy similar to the Ag Enforcement Policy.
Take policy to Admin Tech for review, need to be consistent with policy. (B. Boyer,



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L. Gelsinger
Motion passed.

D&GR – Piper Sherburne
No meeting

Old Business

A 70th Anniversary Celebration and A Bite of Berks Fundraiser

New Business

A PACD Update – Piper Sherburne

B District Executive Review

Chair would like at least two Directors to do review; C. Leinbach, P. Sherburne and G. Seidel will handle, back-up will be J. Rosenbaum.

C Letter to Legislators

- Motion
A motion was made to send a letter to the Legislators regarding the Lanternfly crisis. (B. Boyer, L. Gelsinger)

Nutrient Management Plan Amendments & Tri-Annual Reviews

Name	Municipality	Animal Numbers & Type	Acres	Plan Type	AEU	AEU/Acre	Reviewer
Carl Hoover	Marion	120 Dairy Cows, 10 Calves	124.7	VAO	178.2	1.43	Seidel
Dennis Musser	Bethel	46,000 Broilers	14	CAO	10.75	10.75	Overstreet
Ryan Rutt	Penn	4,800 Hogs; 108,000 Broilers	0	CAO/CAFO	1024.16	1024.16	Seidel
Hetrickdale Farms	Jefferson	1,430 Milking Cows, 1,556 Young Stock	2141.4	VAO/CAFO	2968.61	1.56	Griesemer
Anthony Oberholtzer	Bethel	160,000 Broilers, 25 Sheet	210	CAO/CAFO	447.88	5.6	Overstreet

- Motion
A motion was made to approve the Nutrient Management Plan Amendment & Tri-Annual Review of Carl Hoover, Dennis Musser, Ryan Rutt, Hetrickdale Farms and Anthony Oberholtzer. (J. Rosenbaum, L. Gelsinger)
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.

Conservation Plans

Name	Municipality	Acres	Tract#	Planner
Joseph Kohler	Greenwich	153.24	1955	Carlson
Joseph Kohler	Greenwich	94	1956	Carlson
Joseph Kohler	Greenwich	10.6	1947	Carlson

- Motion
A motion was made to concur with the 3 Conservation Plans of Joseph Kohler. (C. Leinbach, J. Rosenbaum)
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”.

Reports: Filed



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Comments: None

Adjournment

- Motion
 A motion was made to adjourn. (G. Seidel, L. Gelsinger)
 Motion carried
 Meeting adjourned at 2:54 p.m.

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

Month	Date & Time	Event
October	9 th	Columbus Day – Office Closed
	11 th – 10:00 a.m.	Workshop Conference Call
	12 th – 9:00 a.m.	Admin Tech Meeting
	17 th – 8:00 a.m.	RMC Meeting
	23 rd – 5:30 p.m.	70 th Anniversary Celebration, Banquet & A Bite of Berks Tasting!
	25 th – 12:00 p.m.	DGLVR Meeting
	25 th – 1:00 p.m.	Board Meeting
November	8 th – 10:00 a.m.	Workshop Conference Call
	9 th – 9:00 a.m.	Admin Tech Meeting
	21 st – 8:00 a.m.	RMC Meeting
	23 rd	Thanksgiving – Office Closed
	24 th	Black Friday – Office Closed
	29 th – 12:00 p.m.	DGLVR Meeting
	29 th – 1:00 p.m.	Board Meeting
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