

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 January 29, 2020

Time 1:00 p.m.

Location Berks County Agricultural Center, 1238 County Welfare Road, Leesport, PA

Meeting was called to order at 1:02 by Chair Piper Sherburne

Pledge the Flag

Public Comment – None

Present

Chair: Piper Sherburne

Directors: Jesse Bitler, Brian Boyer, Larry Gelsinger, Joseph Rosenbaum,

Associate Directors: Jason Bailey, Leonard Good, Larry Kehl, Jim McCarthy, Geoffrey Price, Ross Stowell

BCCD Staff: Tammy Bartsch, Joshua Hanna, Dean Druckenmiller

Berks County Department of Agriculture: Kim Fies

Farm Service Agency: Kayla Shaak

2020 Nominations and Appointments

Chair turned meeting over to Dean Druckenmiller, District Executive

Dean Druckenmiller opened nominations.

- A motion to was made to open nominations. (B. Boyer, J. Rosenbaum)

Nominations for Chair

- A motion was made to nominate Piper Sherburne as Chair. (J. Rosenbaum, L. Gelsinger)

Motion passed; no comment

The meeting was turned the meeting over to Chair Piper Sherburne.

Nomination for Vice Chair

- B. Boyer nominated Joseph Rosenbaum as Vice Chair

Nominations were closed

Joseph Rosenbaum was nominated at Vice Chair

Nomination for Treasurer

- J. Rosenbaum nominated Brian Boyer as Treasurer

Nominations were closed

Brian Boyer was nominated as Treasurer

Nominations were closed

Appointments by Chair

- **Secretary to the Board of Directors**

Tammy Bartsch

- **Associate Directors**

Jason Bailey, T. John Bicksler, Jerry Haimowitz, Leonard Good, Larry Kehl, Jim McCarthy, Geoffrey Price, John Rost, Ross Stowell

- **Committee Chairperson(s)**

- Admin Tech Committee – Glenn Seidel

- RMC Committee – Brian Boyer

- **Ad-hoc Committee Chairperson(s)**

- Seedling Sale Committee

Brian Boyer

- Banquet Committee

Brian Boyer

- **PACD Voting Delegates**

- 2020 Voting Delegates will be Piper Sherburne, Joe Rosenbaum, Glenn Seidel, Alternate

Action on Minutes of Previous Meeting

A motion was made to accept the minutes of the previous meeting. (B. Boyer, J. Rosenbaum)

Motion passed; no comment

Financial Statements for the Month – filed for audit

Approval of Payment of Bills

A motion was made to pay the bills. (J. Rosenbaum, B. Boyer)

Motion passed; no comment

Correspondence – on file

Presentation - None

Cooperating Agency Reports

Committee Reports

Admin Tech – *Joe Rosenbaum*

A Loss of Certification Policy

A motion was made to approve the policy. (B. Boyer, L. Gelsinger)

B 2020 Berks County Conservation District Workplan/Goals

A motion was made to approve the 2020 workplan. (J. Rosenbaum, L. Gelsinger)

Motion passed; no comment

RMC - *Brian Boyer*

A **BCCD received notification they are a Residuary Beneficiary of an Estate**

A motion was made to accept the donation. (B. Boyer, J. Rosenbaum)

Motion passed; no comment

B **Wilson West NFWF Grant**

A motion was made to move forward with match as long as cash is not required. (J. Rosenbaum L. Gelsinger)

Motion passed; no comment

D&GR – *Piper Sherburne* – no meeting

Building Committee – *Dean Druckenmiller*

Legislative Committee – *Larry Kehl*

Old Business – None

New Business

A **PACD Update**

B **Affiliate Memberships**

C **Spotted Lanternfly Funding**

A motion was made to request funding (in the same amount as given in 2019) from the County for 2020. (J. Rosenbaum, L. Gelsinger)

Motion passed; no comment

D **Upcoming Events, Conferences, Trainings**

March 10, 2020

- **2020 Regional Director Training Workshop – Back to Basics**

9:30 am – 3:00 pm at the Berks County Ag Center – RSVP to Tammy by January 29th

April 16, 2020

- **Seedling Sale & Backyard Basics – *Volunteers Needed***

Pick and Pack at the Berks County Ag Center, under the tent

April 17, 2020

- **Seedling Sale & Backyard Basics – *Volunteers Needed***

11:00 am – 7:00 pm at the Berks County Ag Center, under the tent

April 30, 2020

- **PACD South East Region Meeting** – Hennings Market, Harleysville, PA

June 8, 2020

- **A Bite of Berks Scholarship Fundraiser – *Volunteers Needed***

Doors open at 5:00 pm at the Leesport Farmers Market Banquet Hall

August – Date to be Determined

- **Envirothon Sporting Clay Fundraiser**

Nutrient Management Plan Amendments

Name	Municipality	Animal Numbers	Acres	Plan type	AEU	AEU/Acre	Reviewer
Oscar Manbeck	Bethel	7,100 Swine	677	VAO/CAFO	917.94	1.36	Lutz
A motion was made to approve the Nutrient Management Plan Amendment for Oscar Manbeck. (J. Rosenbaum, L. Gelsinger)						Action Item	
Motion passed; no comment							

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
Steve Miller	Oley	112.6	3187	Seidel
Steve Miller	Oley	19.1	3158	Seidel
Steve Miller	Oley	68.5	3161	Seidel
Steve Miller	Oley	8.8	3143	Seidel
Steve Miller	Oley	21.4	3142	Seidel
Steve Miller	Oley	3.2	12385	Seidel
Cabin Creek Farm PA Stallions	Upper Tulpehocken	42.2	11849	Seidel
A motion was made to concur with the Conservation Plans of Steve Miller (6) and Cabin Creek Farm PA Stallions. (L. Gelsinger, J. Rosenbaum)				Action Item
Motion passed; no comment				

"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 Request Forms

Name	OP/OW	Coop	Municipality	Watershed	Acres	Reason
Josh Krill	OW	Yes	Penn	Tully	78	Planning
A motion was made to approve the SC1 Request Form for Josh Krill. (L. Gelsinger, J. Rosenbaum)						Action Item
Motion passed; no comment						

Reports Comments

At 2:16 recessed into an Executive Session to discuss personnel issues.

At 2:40 returned from Executive Session.

Adjournment - A motion was made to adjourn. (J. Rosenbaum, B. Boyer)
Motion passed; no comments
Meeting adjourned at 2:42

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

Reports

Comments

Adjournment

Action Item



Berks County Conservation District 2020 Board & Committee Meetings, Events & Observed Holidays

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- Monthly Conference Call Workshops are the 2nd Wednesday at 10:00 am
- Admin Tech Meetings are the 2nd Thursday at 9:00 am
- RMC Meetings are the 3rd Tuesday at 8:00 am
- DGLVR Meetings are the last Wednesday at 12:00 pm, see above for exceptions; Board Meetings are the last Wednesday at 1:00 pm, see above for exceptions
- Holiday - Office Closed