



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 September 30, 2020

Time 1:00 p.m.

Location Meeting held at the Berks County Ag Center, 1238 County Welfare Road, Leesport and via Zoom

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

Pledge the Flag

Public Comment: None

Attendees:

Directors: Jesse Bitler, Larry Gelsinger, Christian Leinbach, Joseph Rosenbaum, Glenn Seidel, Piper Sherburne

Associate Directors: Jason Bailey

Cooperating Agencies: Nick Ramsey, NRCS; Kayla Shaak, FSA; Kim Fies, Berks County Dept. of Ag.

Guests: Cathy Sloan, Home Builders Association; Lisa Scheid, Reading Eagle

Staff: Tammy Bartsch, Dean Druckenmiller

Notice was given that there will be an Executive Session following the Board Meeting to discuss personnel

Action on Minutes of Previous Meeting

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

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, L. Gelsinger)

Motion passed; no comment

Cooperating Agency Reports – on file

Committee Reports

Admin Tech – Glenn Seidel

A Letter of Support

Chair's signature needed on letter of support for the Agriculture Conservation Assistance Program

A motion was made to have the Chair sign the letter of support and have it mailed. (J. Rosenbaum, L. Gelsinger)

Motion passed; no comment

B Countywide Action Plan Development – Presentation will be given by Dean Druckenmiller

District Executive will provide an update of meetings attended and information provided

A motion was made for the District Executive to continue the process and participate in meetings as needed. (G. Seidel, C. Leinbach)

Motion passed; Comment – the Chair would like additional information brought to the board

RMC – Brian Boyer

A **BCCD Clean Water Fund Requests**

Richmond Township

50% up to \$5,000

A motion was made to approve up to \$5,000 for the Richmond Township Clean Water Fund Request.

(J. Rosenbaum, L. Gelsinger)

Motion passed; no comment

Beidler Residence

Up to \$2,500; funds are to be used for the stream bank stabilization

A motion was made to approve up to \$2,500 for the Beidler Residence Clean Water Fund Request

(J. Rosenbaum, L. Gelsinger)

Motion passed; Comment – what about a policy as discussed in RMC? Going to RMC for review in October.

Workshop Conference Call



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D&GR – Piper Sherburne

Building Committee – Dean Druckenmiller

Legislative Committee – Larry Kehl

Old Business

New Business

A PACD Update

B 2020 December Board Meeting Date

A motion was made to the December 30, 2020 Board Meeting to December 16, 2020. (L. Gelsinger, J. Rosenbaum)
Motion passed; no comment

C 2021 Board, Workshop, Admin Tech, RMC, DGLVR meeting dates

A motion was made to advertise the 2021 meetings on their normal meeting dates (Workshop 2nd Wednesday of the month; Admin Tech 2nd Thursday of the month; RMC 3rd Tuesday of the month, DGLVR and Board Meeting on the last Wednesday of the month) with the exception of the November Admin Tech meeting, it falls on Veterans' Day, the office is closed, cancel the meeting for that month. (C. Leinbach; L. Gelsinger)

Motion passed; no comment

D Signature(s) Needed:

- Landowner Agreement

A motion was made to sign the Landowner Agreement for Scattered Acres. (J. Rosenbaum, L. Gelsinger)

Motion passed; no comment

E Request for Relief of Review Fee

A motion was made to deny the request from Hershey Engineering for a waiver of the E&S review fee. (G. Seidel, J. Rosenbaum)

Motion passed; Comment – this project is along a water way, more than likely staff will have to visit the site.

F Clay Shoot Wrap Up

SC-1 Request

Name	OP/OW	Coop	Muni	Watershed	Acres	Reason
Lime-Mist Holsteins	OW/OP	Yes	Oley	Mill Creek	1,000	Cons Planning
A motion was made to approve the SC-1 Request for Lime-Mist Holsteins. (L. Gelsinger, J. Rosenbaum)						
Motion passed; no comment						

Nutrient Management Plans (New)

Name	Municipality	Animal Numbers	Acres	Plan Type	AEU	AEU/Acres	Reviewer
Curtis Nolt	Tulpehocken	68,000 Chickens	24.5	CAO	171.86	7.01	Hanna
Gerry Noecker	Centre	16,000 ducks	5.2	CAO/CAFO	68.36	13.15	Lutz
A motion was made to approve the Nutrient Management Plans of Curtis Nolt and Gerry Noecker. (L. Gelsinger, J. Rosenbaum)							
Motion passed; no comment							

Nutrient Management Plans (Amendments)

Name	Municipality	Animal Numbers	Acres	Plan Type	AEU	AEU/Acres	Reviewer
Kim Schlappich	Centre Twp.	39,000 Ducks	117.6	CAO/CAFO	152.88	152.88	Seidel
Ryan Rutt	Penn Twp	4,800 Hogs; 108,000 Broilers	200	CAO/CAFO	1024	9.54	Seidel
A motion was made to approve the Nutrient Management Plan Amendments of Kim Schlappich and Ryan Rutt. (J. Rosenbaum, L. Gelsinger)							
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.



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MUSHROOM FARM ENVIRONMENTAL PLANS

Name	Municipality	Type of operation	# of houses	Planner
Giorgi Farm 3	Tulpehocken, Muhlenberg, Ruscombnanor, Maiden creek	Mushroom Production	106	Seidel
A motion was made to acknowledge the Mushroom Environmental Plan of Giorgi Farm 3. (L. Gelsinger, J. Rosenbaum) Motion passed; Comment – the grant has been extended for another year				

Conservation Plans

Name	Municipality	Acres	Tract #	Planner
Shaynah Kee	Longswamp	184	12398	Seidel
Shaynah Kee	Maxatawny	1.5	12355	Seidel
Shaynah Kee	Topton	28.2	3090	Seidel
Shaynah Kee	Topton	5.9	3091	Seidel
Shaynah Kee	Topton	7.6	3092	Seidel
Shaynah Kee	Topton	7.2	3093	Seidel
Pond View	Greenwich	105.7	1929	Seidel
Pond View	Greenwich	73.6	1940	Seidel
A motion was made to concur with the six (6) plans for Shaynah Kee and two (2) plans for Pond view. (L. Gelsinger, J. Rosenbaum)				

"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".

Adjournment - A motion was made to adjourn. (J. Rosenbaum, L. Gelsinger)
Motion passed; no comment
Meeting adjourned at 2:29 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tammy L. Bartsch, Secretary

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2 0 1 9 BOARD CALENDAR

January							February							March							April						
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	Monthly Conference Call Workshops - 2nd Wednesday, 10:00 am
	Admin Tech Meeting - 2nd Thursday, 9:00 am
	RMC Meeting - 3rd Tuesday, 8:00 am
	DGLVR Meeting - Noon; Board Meeting - last Wednesday, 1:00 pm *
	Holiday - Office Closed

- June location to be determined	
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Berks County Conservation District 2019 Committee Meeting Dates, Board Meeting Dates, Events & Observed Holidays	
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Events: 4/26/18 Seedling Sale; 5/2/18 HS Envirothon; 5/7/18 MS Envirothon; tentative 6/25-28/18 DHCLS; 6/26/18 Annual Bd Mtg/Picnic; 9/23 Bite of Berks
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