



## Monthly 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 24, 2021  
**Time** 1:00 p.m.  
**Location** Berks County Agricultural Center, 1238 County Welfare Road, Leesport, PA

**Meeting was called to order at 1:00 p.m.**

**Pledge the Flag**

**Public Comment**

**Attendees:**

Directors:

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

Associate Directors:

Jason Bailey, David Beane

Cooperating Agencies:

Berks County Department of Agriculture: Kim Fies

NRCS: Damian Loeper

DEP: Elwood Blake

Staff:

Tammy Bartsch, Dean Druckenmiller

### **Minutes of Previous Board Meeting**

A motion was made to approve minutes of the October 27, 2021 Board meeting.

J. Rosenbaum, L. Gelsinger

Motion passed, no comment

### **Financial Statements and E&S Fee Report**

#### **Approval of Payment of Bills**

A motion was made to approve payment of the bills.

J. Rosenbaum, C. Leinbach

Motion passed, no comment

### **Correspondence**

#### **Cooperating Agency Reports**

#### **Committee Reports**

**Admin Tech – Meeting Cancelled**

**RMC – Jason Bailey**

##### **A 2020 Audit**

A motion was made to approve the 2020 Audit

C. Leinbach, J. Rosenbaum

Motion passed, no comment

**Workshop Conference Call – Piper Sherburne**

**D&GR – Piper Sherburne**

**Legislative Committee – Larry Kehl**

### **Old Business**

#### **A Countywide Action Plan**

- Update

### **New Business**

#### **A PACD Update**

PACD Committee vacancies

- Education and Outreach committee – 1 director opening
- Legislative Committee – 2 director openings



## Monthly Board Meeting Minutes

### B January 2022 Board Meeting

Should the date of the meeting be changed from January 26, 2022 to January 19, 2022 due to the PACD Winter Meeting?

After discussion, Directors decided not to change the Board Meeting date, as the Winter Meeting will most likely be virtual.

### C Seedling Sale and Backyard Basics 2022

A motion was made to approval moving the Backyard Basics portion of the seedling sale to the Saturday after the Seedling Sale/

C. Leinbach, L. Gelsinger

Motion passed, no comment

### D Director Resignation and Recognition

A motion was made to authorize the RMC committee to put together a one-time scholarship in Brian Boyer's name and invite Brian to the annual dinner to give him the opportunity to present the scholarship.

C. Leinbach, J. Rosenbaum

Motion passed, no comment

### E Upcoming Events, Conferences, Trainings

### F Signatures Needed

### SC-1 Requests (1)

Name	OP/OW	Coop	Municipality	Watershed	Acres	Reason
Anthony Oberholtzer	OW/OP	Yes	Bethel	Ches. Bay	209	
Earl & Joanne Ebling	OW	Yes	Bethel	Ches. Bay	209	
Cleason Brubaker	OW/OP	Yes	Bethel	Ches. Bay	209	

A motion was made to approve the SC1 Requests for Anthony Oberholtzer, Earl & Joanne Ebling and Cleason Brubaker.

J. Rosenbaum, L. Gelsinger

No comment, Motion passed

### Conservation Plans

Name	Municipality	Acres	Tract #	Planner
James Miller	Upper Bern	20	11176	Hanna
Hetrickdale / Penn Jersey	Bethel	150	276	Overstreet

A motion was made to concur with the Conservation Plans of James Miller and Hetrickdale / Penn Jersey.

C. Leinbach, G. Seidel

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".*

### Nutrient Management Plan Amendments

Name	Municipality	Animal Type & Numbers	Acres	Plan Type	AEU	AEU/ Acre	Reviewer
Tim Crouse	Tulpehocken	38,500 Layers	39.7	CAO	179.5	4.52	Overstreet
Randy Weaver	Tulpehocken / Marion	172,000 / 124,000 Layers	0	CAO/CAFO	913.44	913.44	Savani

A motion was made to approve with the Nutrient Management Plan Amendments of Tim Crouse and Randy Weaver.

J. Rosenbaum, L. Gelsinger

Motion passed, no comment



## Monthly Board Meeting Minutes

### Nutrient Management Plans Updated

Name	Municipality	Animal Type & Numbers	Acres	Plan Type	AEU	AEU/ Acre	Reviewer
Hillside Acres	Albany	480 Sow, 180 Sows w/litters, 2,000 Nursery Swine, 3,050 Finishing pigs	1.9	CAO/CAFO	846.15	445.34	Schnabel
<p>A motion was made to approve with the Updated Nutrient Management Plan of Hillside Acres.            J. Rosenbaum, C. Leinbach            Motion pass, no comment</p>							

*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.*

#### Reports Comments

#### Adjournment

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 1:40 p.m.  
 J. Rosenbaum, L. Gelsinger  
 Motion Passed, no comment

Respectfully Submitted,

*Tammy L. Bartsch*, Secretary

Berks County Conservation District Board of Directors