



## 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 July 28, 2021  
**Time** 1:04 p.m.  
**Location** Berks County Agricultural Center, 1238 County Welfare Road, Leesport, PA

Meeting was called to order at 1:08 by Chair Piper Sherburne

### ***Pledge the Flag***

### ***Public Comment -None***

### **Attendees:**

#### Directors:

Brian Boyer, Christian Leinbach, Joseph Rosenbaum, Glenn Seidel, Piper Sherburne

#### Associate Directors:

Jason Bailey, David Beane, Larry Kehl, Geoff Price

#### Cooperating Agencies:

Berks County Department of Agriculture: Kim Fies

NRCS: Nick Ramsey

DEP: Elwood Blake

FSA: Kayla Shaak, Anne Butler

#### Staff:

Tammy Bartsch, Dean Druckenmiller, Joshua Hanna, Carissa Schnabel

#### Guests:

Lisa Sheid, Reading Eagle

### ***Action on Minutes of Previous Board Meeting***

A motion was made to approve the minutes of the June 30, 2021 Board meeting after a correction is made to correct the amount of the Chesapeake Bay Technician's agreement to \$65,550

B. Boyer, J. Rosenbaum, motion passed, no comment

### ***Financial Statements and E&S Fee Report - on file***

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

A motion was made to approve payment of the bills.

J. Rosenbaum, G. Seidel, motion passed, no comment

### ***Correspondence - filed***

### ***Cooperating Agency Reports***

### ***Committee Reports***

#### **Admin Tech – Meeting Cancelled**

RMC - *Brian Boyer*

#### **A Ag Center Renovations / Land Purchase**

A motion was made to authorize the Building Committee to begin an official search existing for office space to lease, land to purchase or buy an existing office. The search will be within 5 to 10 miles of the Ag Center.

B. Boyer, J. Rosenbaum, motion passed, no comment.

A motion was made to have the Building Committee provide a resolution by December 22, 2021.

B. Boyer, J. Rosenbaum, motion passed, no comment

#### **D&GR – *Piper Sherburne***

A motion was made to give the Low Volume of the Year award to Penn Township for the Bootleg Road Project and the Best Dirt and Gravel Road Project to Marion Township for the School Road Project.

J. Rosenbaum, B. Boyer, motion passed, no comment

#### **Building Committee – *Dean Druckenmiller***

#### **Legislative Committee – *Larry Kehl***

### ***Old Business***

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

#### **B State Envirothon Coordinator Position**

### ***New Business***



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### A PACD Update

- **Virtual PACD Annual Conference**

Schedule of Video Conferences:

- July 29<sup>th</sup> 10am – 12 pm – PACD Executive Council Video Conference

- **Fall Leadership Webinar Series – Succession Planning, Environmental Justice**

- Wednesday October 27, 2021
- Wednesday November 3, 2021

Wednesday November 10, 2021

### B Upcoming Events, Conferences, Trainings

**August 9, 2021 75th Anniversary Celebration**

Oley Fairgrounds, 26 Jefferson Street, Oley PA

Doors open at 5:00 p.m., program begins at 5:30 p.m.

Entertainment is Dave Kline and the Mountain Folk Band

**August 19, 2021 Berks County Conservation District Urban Ag Soil Health and Composting Workshop** (in partnership with Berks Nature and Penn State Master Gardeners)

Opportunity House Garden, 420 N. 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, Reading

4:00 pm – 6:00 pm - Registration is required, must register by August 17, 2021

**September 24, 2021 Envirothon Clay Shoot**

M&E Sporting Clays, Hamburg PA

### C Commendation from the City of Reading – Urban Ag Work

### D Signatures Needed

A motion was made to sign the contract between BCCD and Flyway Excavating and sign the RCPP Supplemental Agreement, Type I, Attachment 3 Confidentiality agreement.

B. Boyer, J. Rosenbaum, motion passed, no comment

### Nutrient Management Plan Amendment (1)

Name	Municipality	Animal Numbers	Acres	Plan Type	AEU	AEU / Acre	Reviewer
Michael Beiler	Fredericksburg	102,000 Broilers	0	CAO	156.9*	156.9	Savani
A motion was made to approve the Nutrient Management Plan Amendment for Michael Beiler. J. Rosenbaum, B. Boyer, 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 (9)

Name	Municipality	Acres	Tract#	Planner
Jason Rice	Albany	99.2	2009	Seidel
Richard Yost	Upper Tulpehocken	21.3	10592	Savani
Richard Yost	Upper Tulpehocken	30.1	10576	Savani
Davis Farms	Upper Tulpehocken	90.17	9845	Seidel
Davis Farms	Upper Tulpehocken	24.2	12849	Seidel
Warren Hollinger	Albany	709.	3869	Hanna
Warren Hollinger	Albany	61.7	3896	Hanna
Warren Hollinger	Albany	4.5	3898	Hanna
Warren Hollinger	Albany	6.7	1808	Hanna
A motion was made to concur with the Conservation Plans of Jason Rice, Richard Yost (3), Davis farms (2), Warren Hollinger (4). J. Rosenbaum, 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".*



## **Monthly Board Meeting Minutes**

### **Reports**

### **Comments**

### **Adjournment**

At 2:29 p.m. a motion was made to adjourn the meeting.  
J. Rosenbaum, C. Leinbach, motion passed, no comment.

Respectfully Submitted,

*Tammy L. Bartsch*, Secretary

Berks County Conservation District Board of Directors