

I. The meeting of the Bergen County Soil Conservation District was called to order at 5:30 P.M. on January 9, 2017 at the District Office, 700 Kinderkamack Road, Oradell, NJ by Mr. Mecky, Chairman. In compliance with Chapter 231 of the Public Laws of 1975, notice of this meeting was filed with the NJ State Secretary of Agriculture, Bergen County Clerk's Office, The Bergen Record, and The Ridgewood News and posted at the Bergen County Administrative Building, 1 Bergen County Plaza, Hackensack, NJ.

Supervisors Present

Carl Mecky
Ron Binaghi, Jr.
Herman Rohsler
Geraldine Byrne
Raymond Cywinski

Staff and Representatives of
Cooperating Agencies Present

Angelo Caruso, District Manager
Roy Otto, Asst. District Manager
Scott Howard, Resource Asst.
Larry Lewis, Erosion Control Inspector
Robyn Roberts, Adm. Secretary

II. MINUTES

A motion was made by Mr. Rohsler, seconded by Mrs. Byrne to approve the minutes of the November meeting as distributed.

III. TREASURER'S REPORT

A motion was made by Mr. Cywinski, seconded by Mr. Binaghi to approve the treasurer's reports for the months of November and December for audit.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT- none.

V. SOIL EROSION AND SEDIMENT CONTROL ACT

A motion was made by Mrs. Byrne, seconded by Mr. Binaghi to approve all plans certified or recertified during the months of November and December by Mr. Binaghi on behalf of the Board Supervisors.

Mr. Cywinski recused himself from voting on plans 16-535, 16-549, 16-568, and 16-578 as these projects are in the Borough of Demarest where he is Mayor.

VI. CORRESPONDENCE

1) NJ Department of Agriculture - announcement for the 2017 State Agricultural Convention to be held at Harrah's Resort Hotel, Atlantic City, Feb. 7-9, 2017.

VII. OLD BUSINESS

1) Mr. Caruso reported that the District's FY 16 audit is almost completed. He also reported that the Wells Fargo checking account has been reconciled. A motion was made by Mr. Binaghi and seconded by Mrs. Byrne to put funds from outstanding checks back into the reserve balance for the District Audit ending June 30, 2017 (FY 17).

2) Mr. Caruso reported that the Surety Bond insurance has been increased to \$200,000.00. The cost of the revised coverage will be an additional \$38.00.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

- 1) Mr. Caruso informed the board that the BC Environmental Council's Annual Invitational Meeting is scheduled for 3/21/17 at 6:30 PM. The presentations and speakers are still being finalized.
- 2) A motion was made by Mr. Binaghi, seconded by Mrs. Byrne to approve the 2017 Annual Plan of Work.
- 3) A motion was made by Mr. Binaghi, seconded by Mr. Rohsler to pay the PERS Annual Employer Appropriation bill in the amount of \$45,769.00.
- 4) Mr. Caruso announced he has established a NJ Start Account for the District. Such an account is necessary to receive wire transfer payments from the State of NJ (i.e. RFA fee reimbursements, etc.).
- 5) A motion was made by Mr. Rohsler, seconded by Mr. Cywinski to cancel the February District Meeting.

IX. DISTRICT MANAGER'S REPORT

- 1) Mr. Caruso reported that the District has received a request for NRCS assistance from the Demarest Farm in Hillsdale. A motion was made by Mrs. Byrne, seconded by Mr. Rohsler to approve the request.

Mr. Binaghi recused himself and abstained from voting on this matter.

XI. NJ DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

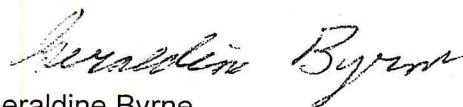
Mr. Cywinski announced that the NACD Northeast Regional Meeting will be held in Vermont. He also announced that the State Soil Conservation Committee will be holding their meetings on a quarterly basis. NJACD will continue to hold their meetings monthly with Tony DiLodovico as president.

Unless otherwise noted, all actions were taken by unanimous vote of all members present.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, a motion was made by Mr. Binaghi, seconded by Mrs. Byrne to adjourn the meeting at 6:25 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,



Geraldine Byrne
Secretary-Treasurer