

I. The meeting of the Bergen County Soil Conservation District was called to order at 5:16 P.M. on March 10, 2014 at the District Office, 700 Kinderkamack Road, Oradell, NJ by Mr. Binaghi, Vice-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

Ron Binaghi, Jr.
Herman Rohsler (via teleconference)
Geraldine Byrne
Raymond Cywinski

Staff and Representatives of
Cooperating Agencies Present
Angelo Caruso, District Manager
Roy W. Otto, Asst. Dist. Manager
Scott Howard, Resource Asst.
Larry Lewis, Erosion Control Insp.
Dr. Ferdows Ali, NJDA
Dan Mull, NRCS
Robyn Roberts, Adm. Secretary

Supervisors Absent

Carl Mecky

II. MINUTES

A motion was made by Mr. Cywinski, seconded by Mr. Binaghi to approve the minutes of the January meeting as distributed.

III. TREASURER'S REPORT

A motion was made by Mrs. Byrne, seconded by Mr. Cywinski to approve the treasurer's reports for the months of January & February.

IV. SOIL EROSION AND SEDIMENT CONTROL ACT

A motion was made by Mr. Rohsler, seconded by Mrs. Byrne to approve all plans certified during the months of January and February by Mr. Binaghi in the name of the Board of Supervisors.

Mr. Cywinski recused himself from voting on plan 14-B11935 as this project is in the Borough of Demarest where he is Mayor.

V. CORRESPONDENCE

1) NJACD – request for donation to 2014 NJ Envirothon. A motion was made by Mr. Cywinski, seconded by Mrs. Byrne to donate \$500.00 to the NJ Envirothon.

VI. OLD BUSINESS

1) Bergen County Environmental Council – Mr. Caruso reminded the board of the Council's upcoming Invitational Meeting of Municipal Environmental Commissions/Councils to be held on March 31, 2014, at One Bergen County Plaza in Hackensack. Invitations have been sent out.

Mr. Caruso reported that the Council has scheduled their Earth Day Planting for April 25th at Overpeck Park.

VI. OLD BUSINESS – con't.

- 2) Mr. Caruso gave a progress report for the District Review Subcommittee. The administrative portion of the Review Manual is nearly complete.
- 3) Mr. Caruso reported that copies of the District FY 2013 Audit will be sent to the Board for their review and approval at the April District Meeting.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

- 1) Mr. Caruso reported that the revised NJ Standards have been adopted and are effective as of February 20, 2014.
- 2) A motion was made by Mrs. Byrne, seconded by Mr. Cywinski to pay the PERS Annual Employer Appropriation bill in the amount of \$39,923.00.
- 3) Mr. Caruso reported that the Northern Supervisor's Regional Meeting will be held on March 25, 6:00 PM at Mattar's Bistro in Hackettstown.
- 4) Mr. Caruso informed the Board that he will be visiting the exempt municipalities of Saddle River and Englewood for their annual reviews in the next few weeks.
- 5) Mr. Caruso distributed copies of the 2013 District Annual Report to the Board for their review and approval at the April District Meeting.
- 6) A motion was made by Mr. Cywinski, seconded by Mrs. Byrne to ratify payment of the 251 Surcharge for the 2nd Quarter FY14 in the amount of \$3,075.00.
- 7) A motion was made by Mr. Rohsler, seconded by Mrs. Byrne to ratify payment of the RFA reimbursement for the 2nd Quarter FY14 in the amount of \$2,820.00.
- 8) Mr. Binaghi reported that he will be speaking at Ramapo College this evening regarding the creation of an educational farm in the Borough of Fairlawn.

VIII. DISTRICT MANAGER'S REPORT

- 1) Mr. Caruso reported that we are awaiting approval from the State to proceed with our next records disposal.

IX. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Dr. Ali reported the following:

- 1) Reminded the supervisors of the importance of attending the upcoming Regional Supervisor Meetings.
- 2) 36 teams have registered for the 2014 NJ Envirothon. Mr. Cywinski added that due to lack of funding, there will not be a National Envirothon this year.
- 3) An errata sheet has been made available for corrections to the newly adopted NJ Standards.
- 4) A draft supervisor's training manual is available to board members for comment.

X. NRCS REPORT

Dan Mull reported that the new Farm Bill streamlines some of the previous environmental programs by combining them (e.g. EQIP and WHIP are now combined as EQIP). There is also more incentive for partnerships.

XI. OTHER BUSINESS

Mr. Cywinski reported the following from today's State Committee Meeting:

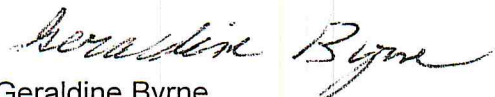
- 1) HEPSCD will be hosting the NJACD Annual Conference in November 2014.
- 2) The SSCC has approved filter sock type products for an erosion control technical bulletin.
- 3) The NACD Northeast Regional Meeting will be held in Newport, Rhode Island on August 24-27, 2014.
- 4) The Burlington SCD recently held a chapter 251 training class for contractors.
- 5) A state report on chapter 251 program statistics was discussed.

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

XII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, a motion was made by Mr. Rohsler, seconded by Mr. Cywinski to adjourn the meeting at 5:57 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,



Geraldine Byrne
Secretary-Treasurer