

I. The meeting of the Bergen County Soil Conservation District was called to order at 5:25 P.M. on March 9, 2015 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
Ronald Binaghi, Jr.
Geraldine Byrne
Raymond Cywinski

Staff and Representatives of
Cooperating Agencies Present

Angelo Caruso, District Manager
Roy W. Otto, Asst. Dist. Manager
Larry Lewis, Erosion Control Insp.
Dr. Ferdows Ali, NJDA
Robyn Roberts, Adm. Secretary

Public Present

John J. Lamb, Esq.
Siobhan Spillane Bailey, Esq.
Alex J. Zepponi, PE
Stuart Weinberger
Jeffrey Morris, PE
Shari Cahill, Stenographer

II. MINUTES

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

III. TREASURER'S REPORT

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

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT

At this time, Mr. Mecky called for Public Comment. Mr. Lamb, representing the Northgate Condominium Association, Inc., summarized their concerns regarding the proposed Golden Orchards project 07-B9444(RESUB) as previously stated in their correspondence to the Board of Supervisors. Mr. Lamb concluded his remarks by requesting that the Board of Supervisors reconsider the recertification of the Soil Erosion and Sediment Control Plan for the proposed Golden Orchards project. Ms. Spillane Bailey, representing Caliber Builders, Inc., expressed her client's agreement with the decision to recertify the Soil Erosion and Sediment Control Plan for the Golden Orchards project and requested that the Board of Supervisors move forward in this regard.

Mr. Mecky thanked the public for their comments.

V. SOIL EROSION AND SEDIMENT CONTROL ACT

A motion was made by Mr. Cywinski, seconded by Mr. Binaghi, to have separate votes for United Water NJ plan 15-B12395 and the Caliper Builders plan 07-B9444(RESUB).

A motion was made by Mr. Binaghi, seconded by Mrs. Byrne to approve plan 15-B12395 certified during the month of January by Mr. Binaghi on behalf of the Board Supervisors. Mr. Cywinski recused himself from voting as this project is owned by United Water New Jersey where he is employed.

After some discussion and consideration of the comments made by Mr. Lamb and Ms. Spillane Bailey, A motion was made by Mr. Cywinski, seconded by Mr. Binaghi to approve plan 07-B9444(RESUB) recertified during the month of February by Mr. Binaghi on behalf of the Board of Supervisors.

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

VI. CORRESPONDENCE

1) NJACD – request for 2015 NJ Envirothon donation. A motion was made by Mrs. Byrne, seconded by Mr. Binaghi to donate \$500 to the 2015 NJ Envirothon.

VII. OLD BUSINESS

1) Bergen County Environmental Council - Mr. Caruso reported that the Council has received a \$500 Clean Communities Grant for their Van Saun Park cleanup conducted in October 2014. Mr. Caruso also reported that the annual Earth Day planting is tentatively scheduled for April 24th at Saddle River County Park - Glen Rock Area.

2) Mr. Caruso reported that the Soil Restoration Committee has formed 2 subcommittees to work on the cost benefit of the proposed NJ Standards for Land Grading and Topsoil.

3) Mr. Caruso reported that the staff has begun working on the data entry for the H&H Data Base.

4) Mr. Caruso announced the District audit will be conducted next week.

5) Mr. Caruso reported that all municipal construction officials have been notified of the updated Chapter 251 interpretations regarding single family dwelling units and lots. The notification has also been posted on the District's web site.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

1) Mr. Caruso reported that he will be meeting with the municipal engineers for the City of Englewood and the Borough of Saddle River to conduct annual Exempt Municipality Reviews.

2) A motion was made by Mr. Binaghi, seconded by Mrs. Byrne to ratify payment of the 251 Surcharge for the 1st Quarter FY15 in the amount of \$3,350.00.

A motion was made by Mr. Cywinski, seconded by Mrs. Byrne to ratify payment of the 251 Surcharge for the 2nd Quarter FY15 in the amount of \$3,400.00.

3) A motion was made by Mr. Binaghi, seconded by Mr. Cywinski to approve payment of the 2nd Quarter FY15 in the amount of \$3,150.00.

4) Mr. Caruso reminded the Board of the upcoming Supervisors Regional Meeting to be held on March 18th, 6:00 PM at the Al Cavaliere Ristorante in Clifton, NJ.

5) A motion was made by Mr. Cywinski, seconded by Mr. Binaghi to pay the PERS Annual Employer Appropriation bill in the amount of \$40, 277.00.

6) Mr. Caruso reported that a copy of the Draft Audit Manual has been sent to each district. He has submitted comments and recommendations to the Fiscal Subcommittee on behalf of the District. Mr. Cywinski reported that the comment period has been extended so that districts can have their auditors comment as well.

IX. DISTRICT MANAGER'S REPORT

1) Mr. Caruso reported that the District has switched to Optimum for their online computer service at a price of \$65.00 per month.

2) Due to conflicts of interest, the HEP District has asked the Bergen District to review a Soil Erosion and Sediment Control Plan application and conduct site inspections for a project in Montclair, NJ.

3) Mr. Caruso reported that the District's fax machine is no longer in working condition and he will purchase a replacement.

X. NJ DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Dr. Ali reported about the following:

1) Upcoming Regional Supervisors Meeting

2) Draft Audit Operations Manual

Mr. Cywinski reported the following:

- 1) A host district is needed for the 2016 NACD NE Regional Meeting.
- 2) NJACD Annual Conference will be held this year in October at the Rutgers Eco-Complex.
- 3) 2015 Envirothon to be held in Cape May County on 5/2/15.

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. Cywinski seconded by Mrs. Byrne to adjourn the meeting at 6:27P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Geraldine Byrne".

Geraldine Byrne
Secretary-Treasurer