I. The meeting of the Bergen County Soil Conservation District was called to order at 6:26 P.M. on September 12, 2016 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.

<u>Supervisors Present</u> Ronald Binaghi, Jr. Herman Rohsler (Teleconference) Geraldine Byrne Raymond Cywinski Staff and Representatives of <u>Cooperating Agencies Present</u> Angelo Caruso, District Manager Roy Otto, Asst. District Manager Larry Lewis, Erosion Control Inspector Kara Hasko, North Jersey RC&D Robyn Roberts, Adm. Secretary

II. <u>MINUTES</u>

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

III. TREASURER'S REPORT

A motion was made by Mrs. Byrne, seconded by Mr. Rohsler to approve the treasurer's reports for the months of May (as revised), June, July & August 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 June, July and August by Mr. Binaghi on behalf of the Board Supervisors.

Mr. Cywinski recused himself from voting on plans 16-322, 16-269, 16-266, 16-333 and 16-369 as these projects are in the Borough of Demarest where he is Mayor.

Mr. Cywinski recused himself from voting on plan 16-221 as this project is owned by Suez NJ where he is employed.

VI. CORRESPONDENCE

1) NJ Conservation Foundation - A motion was made by Mr. Binaghi, seconded by Mrs. Byrne to approve \$200.00 as payment of the membership renewal.

NJDA-SADC – New publications – "Right to Farm Act".

3) NJ Envirothon- Thank you for \$500.00 donation.

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VII. OLD BUSINESS

1) Mr. Caruso reported on the following for the BC Environmental Council:

** Voucher has been received from the County of Bergen for 2016 funding in the amount of \$6,230.00.

** Fall planting will be held at the Saddle River County Park, Wild Duck Pond Area in Ridgewood on October 28th.

2) Mr. Caruso reported that NJDEP RFA/5G3 Permit program is going to expire on February 28, 2017. The program will be renewed with minor changes.

3) Mr. Caruso advised the Board that the FY16 audit is underway.

4) Mr. Caruso reported that the H&H Data Base computer program is being upgraded/improved and will be available soon.

5) The NACD NE Regional Conference was held in Absecon, NJ on August 14-17, 2016. Mr. Cywinski reported that positive feedback was received from attendees. A motion was made by Mr. Binaghi, seconded by Mr. Rohsler to reimburse Mr. Cywinski and Mrs. Byrne for expenses incurred for their attendance at the conference.

VIII. <u>NEW BUSINESS</u>

1) Mr. Caruso informed the Board that the Permit Extension Act has been extended until December 31, 2016 (June 30, 2017 with tolling).

2) A motion was made by Mr. Cywinski, seconded by Mrs. Byrne to ratify payment of the RFA reimbursement for the 4th Quarter FY16 in the amount of \$2,355.00.

3) A motion was made by Mr. Cywinski, seconded by Mr. Rohsler to ratify the payment of the 251 Surcharge Fee for the 4th Quarter FY16 in the amount of \$4,100.00.

4) A motion was made by Mrs. Byrne, seconded by Mr. Binaghi to cancel the October District Meeting.

IX. DISTRICT MANAGER'S REPORT

1) Mr. Caruso discussed with the Board his visit to Deep Dale Farm in Mahwah in response to their request for assistance with an erosion problem.

X. NJ DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Mr. Cywinski reported the following:

**Possible return of supervisor mileage reimbursement is being considered.

**Public comments are now being accepted for the Soil Restoration Standards.

**District Supervisor/Employee service awards to be possibly handed out at future Supervisor Regional Meetings.

**NJ Envirothon team took 5th place in the National contest.

XI. NRCS

A motion was made by Mr. Cywinski, seconded by Mr. Binaghi to approve a Conservation Plan in Bergen County.

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 Mrs. Byrne, seconded by Mr. Binaghi to adjourn the meeting at 7:22 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

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Geraldine Byrne Secretary-Treasurer