

I. The meeting of the Bergen County Soil Conservation District was called to order at 5:35 P.M. on January 13, 2020 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
Raymond Cywinski
Geraldine Byrne
Bruce Rohsler
Kimberly Mitchell

Staff and Representatives of

Cooperating Agencies Present

Angelo Caruso, District Manager
Roy W. Otto, Asst. District Manager
Scott Howard, Environmental Resource Asst.
Larry Lewis, Erosion Control Inspector
Dan Mull, NRCS

II. MINUTES

A motion was made by Mr. Cywinski, 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 Mrs. Byrne to approve the treasurer's report for the month of November for audit.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT- none.

V. SOIL EROSION AND SEDIMENT CONTROL ACT

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

VI. CORRESPONDENCE

- 1) State Soil Conservation Committee – Announcement that Mr. Bruce Rohsler and Mrs. Kimberly Mitchell have been appointed as District Supervisors.

VII. OLD BUSINESS

- 1) Mr. Caruso reported that the Bergen County Environmental Council has received its 2019 Budget funding from the County in the amount of \$8505.00.
- 2) Copies of the 2020 District Meeting Schedule were distributed.
- 3) Mr. Caruso reported that the District computers have been updated to Windows 10 and email service is up and running.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

- 1) Mr. Caruso informed the Board that the District FY19 Audit is in progress.
- 2) Mr. Caruso distributed copies of the 2020 Plan of Work to the Board.
- 3) A motion was made by Mr. Cywinski, seconded by Mrs. Byrne to approve payment of PERS Annual Employer Appropriation bill in the amount of \$52,698.00.
- 4) A motion was made by Mr. Cywinski, seconded by Mrs. Byrne to authorize the payment of the 251 Surcharge for the 1st Quarter FY20 in the amount of \$3,900.00.
- 5) A motion was made by Mrs. Byrne, seconded by Mr. Cywinski to ratify the payment of the RFA Reimbursement for the 1st Quarter FY20 in the amount of \$2,235.00.
- 6) A motion was made by Mrs. Mitchell, seconded by Mr. Rohsler to cancel the February 2020 meeting.

IX. DISTRICT MANAGER'S REPORT

- 1) Mr. Caruso informed the Board of the upcoming 2020 NACD Annual Conference will be held in Las Vegas, Nevada.
- 2) A motion was made by Mr. Cywinski, seconded by Mrs. Byrne to approve a resolution authorizing Angelo Caruso, District Manager, Robyn Roberts, Administrative Secretary, Raymond J. Cywinski, District Supervisor, and Geraldine Byrne, District Supervisor, to mandate the opening of bank certificates of deposit in the year 2020.

X. NJ DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE REPORT

- 1) Mr. Cywinski reported that the Sussex and Warren County SCD's merger has been approved by both the Districts and the SSCC.
- 2) Mr. Cywinski reported that the NJACD is looking to hire a part-time administrator.
- 3) Mr. Cywinski announced that the Northern Regional Supervisor's Meeting will be held at the Barka Restaurant in Mountain Lakes on April 2, 2020.

XI. NRCS REPORT

- 1) Mr. Mull reported that he has been reassigned back to the Hackettstown Field Office. He gave an overview of NRCS programs including the agricultural cost share program for the newly appointed supervisors.

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. Cywinski to adjourn the meeting at 6:20 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Geraldine Byrne
Secretary-Treasurer

