

I. The meeting of the Bergen County Soil Conservation District was called to order 6:35 P.M. on April 11, 2022 at the District Office, 700 Kinderkamack Road, Oradell, NJ by Mr. Cywinski, 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

Raymond Cywinski
Geraldine Byrne
Bruce Rohsler
Kim Mitchell

Staff and Representatives of
Cooperating Agencies Present

Angelo Caruso, District Manager
Roy Otto, Asst. District Manager
Larry Lewis, Erosion Control Inspector
Daniel Brusa, Erosion Control Inspector
Robyn Roberts, Admin. Secretary
Jill Ott, NRCS

II. MINUTES

A motion was made by Ms. Mitchell, seconded by Mr. Rohsler to approve the minutes of the March 14, 2022 meeting as distributed.

III. TREASURER'S REPORTS

A motion was made by Mrs. Byrne, seconded by Ms. Mitchell to approve the treasurer reports for January and February 2022.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT- none.

V. SOIL EROSION AND SEDIMENT CONTROL ACT

A motion was made by Mrs. Byrne, seconded Ms. Mitchell to approve all plans certified or recertified during the month of March by Mrs. Byrne on behalf of the Board of Supervisors.

VI. CORRESPONDENCE – None.

VII. OLD BUSINESS

- 1) Bergen County Environmental Council – Mr. Caruso reported the Council's spring planting will be in the vicinity of Van Buskirk County Park in Oradell on Friday, May 6th or the 13th.
- 2) Mr. Caruso reported that the Bergen County SCD 2022 Poster Contest winners have been chosen, posted on our website, and forwarded to Trenton for State judging.
- 3) NJACD Partnership Meeting was held on March 28, 2022 at the Freehold SCD office. The Bergen SCD had full Board attendance

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

- 1) Mr. Caruso had previously e-mailed a copy of the proposed FY23 District Budget to the Supervisors for their review. After some discussion, a motion was made by Mrs. Byrne, seconded by Ms. Mitchell to approve the FY23 District Budget.
- 2) Mr. Caruso announced that the supervisor terms of Mr. Mecky and Mrs. Byrne are up for renewal. A motion was made by Ms. Mitchell, seconded by Mr. Rohsler to approve the 2022 District Nominating Committee:
- 3) Mr. Caruso reported that he has completed the reviews of the exempt municipalities of Saddle River and Englewood. Both municipalities received a satisfactory rating. A motion was made by Ms. Mitchell, seconded by Mr. Rohsler to approve the Reports of Exempt Municipalities for the Borough of Saddle River and City of Englewood for submission to the State Soil Conservation Committee.
- 4) A motion was made by Ms. Mitchell, seconded by Mrs. Byrne to cancel the May District Meeting.

IX. DISTRICT MANAGER'S REPORT

- 1) Mr. Caruso reported that the District Staff have completed the Outside Activity forms for submission to the SSCC.
- 2) Mr. Caruso reported the District received a legal challenge regarding the applicability of Chapter 251 to soil disturbance relating to a homeowner in the Borough of Old Tappan. The matter has been referred to the SSCC for review by the Deputy Attorney General's Office.
- 3) Mr. Caruso announced that Dan Brusa has successfully completed his 90 day probationary employment as Erosion Control Inspector.

X. NJ DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE REPORT

Mr. Cywinski reported on his attendance at the NJACD Partnership Meeting. He also announced the 2022 NJ Envirothon would be held virtually.

XI. NRCS REPORT

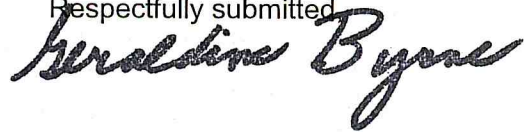
Jill Ott reported that the Hackettstown Office is now fully staffed and they are also hiring an Urban Ag Conservationist. NRCS may set up local work groups (north, central and south) to promote EQUIP and other programs.

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 7:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Geraldine Byrne". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Geraldine Byrne
Secretary-Treasurer