

I. The meeting of the Bergen County Soil Conservation District was called to order at 6:20 P.M. on April 10, 2023, 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
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

II. MINUTES

A motion was made by Ms. Mitchell, seconded by Mr. Rohsler to approve the minutes of the March 13, 2023, meeting as distributed.

III. TREASURER'S REPORT – none.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT- Mr. Daniel Brusa addressed the Board to express his concerns regarding his prior employment with the District.

V. SOIL EROSION AND SEDIMENT CONTROL ACT

A List of plans certified and re-certified in the month of March 2023 will be available at a future District Meeting.

VI. CORRESPONDENCE

1) Thank you from Kimberly Novak, daughter of Geraldine Byrne, for the District's \$250.00 donation to the Friends of the Bergen County Zoo, to honor Gerry's service to the District.

VII. OLD BUSINESS

1) Mr. Caruso announced the winners of the 2023 Poster Contest for Bergen County. Winning posters have been submitted to the State Judging Committee.

2) The Board discussed the District's lease extension for the newly proposed office space. Mr. Caruso will request minor revisions and submit the revised lease agreement to the Board for approval.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

- 1) Mr. Caruso submitted the District's FY24 Budget to the Board. After some discussion, the Board tabled the Budget for further review.
- 2) A motion was made by Mr. Cywinski, seconded by Ms. Mitchell to approve the satisfactory reports for the exempt municipalities of Englewood and Saddle River.
- 3) A motion was made by Mr. Cywinski, seconded by Mr. Rohsler to approve payment of the 2nd Q FY23 251 Surcharge Fee in the amount of \$3,575.00.
- 4) A motion was made by Mr. Cywinski, seconded by Ms. Mitchell to approve payment of the 1st Q FY23 RFA Reimbursement in the amount of \$2,100.00 (revised from a previously \$2,300.00).
- 5) A motion was made by Mr. Cywinski, seconded by Mr. Rohsler to approve the State's 2023 Soil & Water Cost Share Tables.

IX. DISTRICT MANAGER'S REPORT

- 1) A motion was made by Mr. Cywinski, seconded by Mr. Rohsler, to approve the Outside Employment/Activities Forms for District Staff.
- 2) A motion was made by Ms. Mitchell, seconded by Mr. Rohsler to authorize Mr. Roy W. Otto, Assistant District Manager, to sign checks.

X. NJ Department of Agriculture Report None.

XI. NRCS

Mr. Caruso distributed the March 2023 NJ Conservation Partnership Congressional Report submitted by Jill Ott, District Conservationist.

At this time, Mr. Mecky requested an Executive Session.

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 Ms. Mitchell, seconded by Mr. Rohsler to adjourn the meeting at 8:04 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,



Kimberly Mitchell
Secretary-Treasurer

An Executive Session of the Bergen County Soil Conservation District's Board of Supervisors was called to order on May 15, 2023, at the District Office, 700 Kinderkamack Road, Oradell, NJ by Mr. Mecky, Chairman.

Supervisors Present

Carl Mecky
Raymond Cywinski
Kim Michell
Bruce Rohsler

Staff and Representatives of
Cooperating Agencies Present
Angelo Caruso, District Manager

Mr. Caruso reported on personnel issues as discussed with the District's legal counsel, Gary Tomasella.

Any motions made at this meeting will be ratified when the Open Public Meeting reconvenes.

Respectfully submitted,

Handwritten signature of Kimberly Mitchell in red ink.

Kimberly Mitchell
Secretary-Treasurer