

I. The meeting of the Bergen County Soil Conservation District was called to order at 6:15 P.M. on March 9, 2026, at the District Office, 700 Kinderkamack Road, Oradell, NJ by Mr. Cywinski, 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

Ray Cywinski
Kim Mitchell
Bruce Rohsler
Angelo Onello

Staff and Representatives of
Cooperating Agencies Present

Angelo Caruso, District Manager
Roy W. Otto, Asst. District Manager
Lawrence Lewis, Erosion Control Inspector
Robyn Roberts, Administrative Secretary
Kerrie Davidson, Administrative Assistant

II. MINUTES

A motion was made by Mr. Rohsler, seconded by Ms. Mitchell to approve the minutes of the February 9, 2026, meeting as distributed.

III. TREASURER'S REPORT

A motion was made by Ms. Mitchell, seconded by Mr. Rohsler, to approve the treasurer's report for the month of February 2026, as distributed.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT

A motion was made by Mr. Onello, seconded by Ms. Mitchell, to open the meeting for public comment. There being none, a motion was made by Mr. Onello, seconded by Mr. Rohsler, to close the meeting for public comment.

V. SOIL EROSION AND SEDIMENT CONTROL ACT

A motion was made by Ms. Mitchell, seconded by Mr. Rohsler, to approve all plans certified or recertified during the month of February 2026 by Mr. Cywinski on behalf of the Board of Supervisors.

VI. CORRESPONDENCE none

VII. OLD BUSINESS

- 1) Mr. Cywinski reported on his attendance at the NACD National Conference held in San Antonio.
- 2) The 2026 Annual Plan of Work was discussed. Amendments were suggested and a revised copy will be presented at next District Meeting.
- 3) The Travel Expense Policy was discussed. Amendments were suggested and a revised copy will be presented at next District Meeting.
- 4) Mr. Caruso reported that a Bergen County student won first place in the 4-6 grade competition at the national level of the NACD Poster Contest.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

- 1) Chapter 251 Surcharge Fee – No request yet.
- 2) RFA Fee Reimbursement - No request yet.
- 3) Mr. Caruso reported that he will be meeting with the Borough and City Engineers for the exempt municipality reviews of Saddle River and Englewood.
- 4) Mr. Caruso announced that the Northern Regional Supervisors meeting will be held on April 22 at Marios Restaurant and Pizzeria in Clifton.
- 5) A motion was made by Ms. Mitchell, seconded by Mr. Rohsler to approve the District's 2025 Annual Report.

IX. DISTRICT MANAGER'S REPORT

- 1) Mr. Caruso distributed a report on the status of the District's certificates of deposit.
- 2) A motion was made by Ms. Mitchell, and seconded by Mr. Rohsler, to approve payment of the State Employer Pension Contribution in the amount of \$70,727.27.

X. NJ DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE REPORT none

XI. NJACD REPORT

Mr. Cywinski reported that the NJACD is running on a deficit and is considering an increase in annual dues. Other funding sources are being considered.

XII. NACD REPORT

Mr. Cywinski reported that members of the NJACD are preparing for the "Spring Fly In" to Washington D.C. on March 25th to meet with legislators regarding the Farm Bill and District programs and accomplishments.

XII. NRCS REPORT - none

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. Onello, seconded by Ms. Mitchell to adjourn the meeting at 7:25 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "K. Mitchell". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Kimberly Mitchell
Secretary-Treasurer