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Sullivan County Soil & Water Conservation District Board of Directors Meeting August 12, 2019

Minutes

I. <u>Call to Order:</u> Chairman Hughson called the regular business meeting of the Sullivan County Soil & Water Conservation District Board of Directors to order at 8:00 p.m.

| Board members present – | Wilfred Hughson, Chairman John Gorzynski, Member Nadia Rajsz, Legislator | Robert Kaplan, Vice Chairman Eugene Benson, Treasurer John Diehl, Farmer |
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| Board members absent – | Mark, McCarthy, Legislator | |
| Agency representatives: – | Lisa Schick, SWCD | Karen Rauter, SWCD-N/R |

II. <u>MINUTES:</u> N. Rajsz made a motion to accept the minutes from the July 8, 2019, board meeting, R. Kaplan seconded, the motion was passed and carried.

III. <u>WRITTEN & VERBAL REPORTS</u>: See attached written reports.

IV. OLD BUSINESS:

- A. Neversink/Rondout Grant: See written report
 - Presented a folder on healthy rivers explaining the importance of stream buffers and protecting them, which was created by the Neversink Rondout program. The folder will be handed out to landowners.
 - Held a Peek in the Creek stream snorkel event for children. Event was a success-30 children attended.
 - When the new contract begins, the present Project Coordinator position duties will be divided between remaining personnel.
 - The Stream Model presentation board was moved from Tri-Valley school to BOCES.
 - Clothes Pool project is still in the engineering phase and does not look like it will be ready to start for this contract period.

- B. Program Updates:
 - Trout Stocking program information has been sent out and orders have started to come in. Last day to order is September 23 and pick up date is September 28.
 - AEM: Year 14 has closed, funding earned was \$3,916.
 - Working on Year 15. Program will run from May December 2019.
- C. Copier: Copier purchased from Kristt Co.
- D. Insurance:
 - Liability Ins.- The additional insurance from the self-audit process has been forgiven. Make sure all future subcontractors list the District as additional insured.
 - Health insurance is set to renew on September 1st. The District's present insurance is the MVP Healthcare Silver EPO HDHP plan. District offers a HRA and an insurance buyout. After review N. Rajsz made a motion to keep the health insurance policy and benefits the same, J. Diehl seconded, the motion was passed and carried.

V. <u>NEW BUSINESS</u>:

- A. Bank Reconciliation: The July bank statements were reviewed.
- B. Payroll: Grant employee's COLA went into effect on July 1st. The updated salary spreadsheet was presented for signatures.
- C. Budget: 2020 Budget is being worked on for submission to county.
- VI. <u>DISTRICT CLAIMS</u>: N. Rajsz made a motion to approve abstracts, bills and pre-approvals, seconded by W. Hughson, the motion was passed and carried.

| 2019 - 7B | \$104,734.15 |
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| 2019 - 8A | \$ 20,836.98 |

Bills presented to the Board for pre-approval: Total - \$ 63,203.89 - See breakdown sheet

- VII. <u>TREASURER REPORT</u>: The Profit and Loss and the Balance Sheet were reviewed. R. Kaplan made a motion to approve the reports, N. Rajsz seconded, the motion was passed and carried.
- VIII. <u>NEXT MEETING:</u> Monday, September 9, 2019 at 8:00 p.m.
- X. <u>ADJOURNMENT:</u> Adjourned at 8:50 p.m. Motion by R. Kaplan

Lisa Schick, Program Assistant