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Sullivan County Soil & Water Conservation District Board of Directors Meeting June 9, 2014

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 Eugene Benson, Legislator	Harold Russell, Member John Gorzynski, Member
Board members absent –	Beverly Martin, Treasurer	Robert Kaplan, Vice Chairman
Agency representatives: –	Brian Brustman, SWCD John Kline, SWCD Tony Capraro (NRCS)	Lisa Schick, SWCD Karen Rauter, SWCD/ Nev/Rond

II. <u>MINUTES:</u> Eugene Benson made a motion to approve the minutes from the May 12, 2014 meeting, John Gorzynski seconded, the motion was passed and carried.

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

T. Capraro – NRCS rep for Sullivan County.

- CRP program opened today. Most other programs are open and taking applications year round.
- Working with farms on wildlife issues, finishing up ag contracts, and working on CSP contracts.
- FSA See Report
 - Brian Sheridan is the Executive Director and Lori Dandignac will be the local rep and spend one day a week in the District office meeting with farm landowners.
 - There will be a meeting on the Dairy Program as soon as the regulations are finalized.

IV. OLD BUSINESS:

A. Neversink/Rondout Grant:

• The next flood meeting will be at end of month and should be receiving proposals for the flood analysis project. Proposals will be presented at the July Board meeting. Hoping to start project late August beginning of September.

- Finished a couple planting projects. Will be working on stream inventory.
- Working on the District website and it should be up and running beginning of June.
- Working on the possibilities of getting help/interns for Stacie for the fall after Brenden leaves for school. Americorps is a possibility being looked into.
- The new DEP contract is in the system and moving along.

B. Flood Mitigation Grant:

- Cattail Brook Looking to help Town of Rockland purchase two properties through an easement and landowners have signed off. NRCS is working on a design for stream restoration work and they are 30% complete.
- North Branch Callicoon project will have a pre-bid meeting of contractors on Friday morning.
- County's flood mitigation funding Looking at a site near Roscoe towards Tennanah Lake where a bridge has debris. Looking at completing projects in the Town of Bethel and the Town of Tusten.
- Meeting with NYS DOT reps J. Buck and E. Mall to review a project that will replace the bridge on Route 52 near the old bowling alley. Brian was contacted by the village for drainage issues and concerns for one house that is about to go over the bank.

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

- A. Bank Reconciliation: The May bank reconciliation not received, tabled to July meeting.
- B. AEM Contract:
 - The 2014-2015 contract has been received. Eugene Bensen made a motion for Chairman Hughson to sign, John Gorzynski seconded, the motion was passed and carried. Chairman Hughson signed the contract.
- VI. <u>DISTRICT CLAIMS</u>: Eugene Bensen made a motion to approve abstracts and bills, seconded by Harold Russell, the motion was passed and carried.

2014 - 5B	\$46,255.72
2014 - 6A	\$ 3,612.31

Bills presented to the Board for pre-approval: See sheet

VII. <u>**TREASURER REPORT:**</u> The Treasurer Report and Balance Sheet were reviewed. Eugene Bensen made a motion to approve the Treasurer Report, Wilfred Hughson seconded, the motion was passed and carried.

VIII. <u>NEXT MEETING:</u> Monday, July 14, 2014 at 8:00 p.m.

X. <u>ADJOURNMENT:</u> By regular motion at 9:00 p.m.

Lisa Schick, Program Assistant Wilfred Hughson, Chairman