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Sullivan County Soil & Water Conservation District Board of Directors Meeting September 14, 2015

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

Harold Russell, Member Kathleen Vetter, Legislator

Board members absent – Robert Kaplan, Vice Chairman Beverly Ma

Eugene Benson, Legislator

Beverly Martin, Treasurer

Agency representatives: – Brian Brustman, SWCD Les Kirby, SWCD

John Kline, SWCD Lisa Schick, SWCD

- **II.** MINUTES: Harold Russell made a motion to approve the minutes from the August 10, 2015 meeting, John Gorzynski seconded, the motion was passed and carried.
- III. WRITTEN & VERBAL REPORTS: See attached written reports.

IV. OLD BUSINESS:

- A. Neversink/Rondout Grant: See written report
 - Wrapping up the Flood Hazard Analysis in Claryville. Several meetings have been held and the engineers, (B & L) have run several models, and received a lot of input.
 - Brian, Karen and Mark Vian need to discuss whether fixing a few banks and reshaping the channel in certain areas would be the best way to go for the cost of the projects. Raising the road was suggested but it would be very costly and would only be a benefit up to a 20 year storm.
 - Waiting to receive the signed contract.

B. No-Till Seeder:

• The No-Till Seeder has been purchased. The more expensive seeder was purchased because it includes the three seed boxes at once and has more safety and maintenance features. After looking over both specs again we felt the seeder purchased would better suit our goals.

- The cost of the purchased seeder will be covered by the County Planning grant, NYS 2014 Performance Measure funds, and if we do not receive the NYS Soil Grant then we can use the 2015 Performance Funds
- Waiting on confirmation of delivery date.
- We are still waiting to hear if we were awarded the grant we submitted to the NYS Dept of Ag & Markets for funding for a no-till seeder.

C. Trout Program:

- The distribution of Trout will be held on Saturday, September 26.
- Lisa requested to pay the invoice when received. J. Gorzynski made a motion to pay the bill, H. Russell seconded the motion, the motion was passed and carried.

V. NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Bank Reconciliation: The August bank reconciliation was reviewed.
- B. Flood Mitigation:
 - There are three to four flood projects in the works
 - The funds that were set aside for the T/O Rockland will need to be reassigned. The NRCS has rejected the Bids on the Cattail Brook project. The project will be rebid in the spring.
- VI. <u>DISTRICT CLAIMS</u>: H. Russell made a motion to approve abstracts and bills, seconded by Kitty Vetter, the motion was passed and carried.

2015 – 8B \$ 52,652.97 2015 – 9A \$ 21,716.52

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

- VII. <u>TREASURER REPORT:</u> The Treasurer Report and Balance Sheet were reviewed. H. Russell made a motion to approve the Treasurer Report, J. Gorzynski seconded, the motion was passed and carried.
- VIII. NEXT MEETING: Monday, October 12, 2015 at 8:00 p.m.
- X. <u>ADJOURNMENT:</u> Adjourned at 8:45 p.m. Motion by H. Russell

Lisa Schick, Program Assistant Wilfred Hughson, Chairman