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Sullivan County Soil & Water Conservation District Board of Directors Meeting August 8, 2016

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 Robert Kaplan, Vice Chairman

Harold Russell, Member John Gorzynski, Member

Board members absent – Mark, McCarthy, Legislator Nadia Rajsz, Legislator

Gene Benson, Member

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

John Kline, SWCD Lisa Schick, SWCD

- **II.** MINUTES: R. Kaplan made a motion to accept the minutes from the July 11, 2016 board meeting, J. Gorzynski seconded, the motion was passed and carried.
- III. WRITTEN & VERBAL REPORTS: See attached written reports.

IV. <u>OLD BUSINESS</u>:

- A. Neversink/Rondout Grant: See written report
 - Debris removal in front of bridge is being done now.
 - The Coalition of Watershed towns is looking to do a secondary agreement with the counties west of Hudson. The agreement will allow residents within the county eligible for the city's buyout program. Without this agreement the landowners will not be eligible. The District Manager will bring the program MOU to the Legislators for review and if needed the county attorney for review. Will check to see if property comes off tax roll once bought out.

B. Flood Mitigation:

- Waiting for NYS DEC permit to do the debris removal on Bungalow Brook.
- Waiting for bills from Town of Tusten and Town of Rockland.
- Ag Environmental Management is doing a pilot program for flood mitigation work. The District will submit a proposal for funding.

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

- A. Bank Reconciliation: The August bank reconciliation was reviewed.
- B. Director Training Plan:
 - A Director training plan was submitted for review. J.Gorzynski made a motion to approve the plan, R. Kaplan seconded, the motion for approval was passed and carried.
 - Directors present reviewed Module 10-District Law. Module 10 will be reviewed again at the September meeting for Directors that were not present.
- C. Employee Training Plan: An Employee training plan was submitted for review. J. Gorzynski made a motion to approve the plan, R. Kaplan seconded, the motion for approval was passed and carried.
- D. District Health Insurance:
 - Health insurance renews in September. It is less expensive than the State's plan.
 - Directors requested to stay with MVP
- E. 2017 County Budget:
 - Have not gotten the notice to submit the budget to County Manager.
 - Budget is complete and awaiting notice.
 - Will make sure COLA increase and Health ins increase is reflected in budget.
- F. Eggshells:
 - Samples were sent to the lab and analysis were done.
 - Will have a sit down meeting workshop on 9/27 to present information on recommendations for farmers and haulers stockpiling and spreading eggshells and manure.
- VI. <u>DISTRICT CLAIMS</u>: R. Kaplan made a motion to approve abstracts, bills and pre-approvals, seconded by H. Russell, the motion was passed and carried.

2016 – 7B \$ 120,506.11 2016 – 8A \$ 15,675.96

Bills presented to the Board for pre-approval: See 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, J. Gorzynski seconded, the motion was passed and carried.
- VIII. NEXT MEETING: Monday, September 12, 2016 at 8:00 p.m.
- X. ADJOURNMENT: Adjourned at 9:00 p.m. Motion by J. Gorzynski

Lisa Schick, Program Assistant Wilfred Hughson, Chairman