

DISTRICT BOARD MINUTES

February 5, 2013

DELAWARE CO. CONSERVATION DISTRICT
ROSE TREE PARK - HUNT CLUB
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DELAWARE COUNTY
CONSERVATION
DISTRICT
Organized January 28, 1970

The regular meeting of Delaware County Conservation District was held on Tuesday, February 5, 2013 at Rose Tree Park - Hunt Club. The meeting was called to order by Chair person - Cheryl Graff Tumola at 3 PM. Additional directors

present were: Robert Bernhardt, Raymond Iacobucci, Elaine Schaefer, Randy Bates, Colleen Morrone, Wayne Megill and Joseph Fecondo. Others present were: Edward M. Magargee – District Manager, Giana Martin – office manager, Michelle Wheeler – Technician, Kevin Boyle – Technician, Brian Vadino – Watershed Specialist, Linda Mackey – DEP Field Rep, Drew Gilchrist – DCNR, and Beth Swartzenruber-Sassaman – NRCS

Call to Order: Given by Chairperson – Cheryl Graff – Tumola

Approval of Minutes – On a Motion by Robert Bernhardt and seconded by Elaine Schaefer the minutes of January 8, 2013 were voted upon and approved.

Audience Comments – Drew Gilchrist introduced himself and explained his role and goals with DCNR in relation to the Conservation Districts.

Correspondence & Announcements -

1. PACD – A copy of PACD Monthly report was included in the meeting packet.

Motion Request – By Elaine Schaefer and seconded by Randy Bates to file all bank statements for audit for January. The motion was voted upon and approved without any negative votes or abstentions. A complete copy of these statements will be attached to the official minutes.

Motion Request – By Joe Fecondo and seconded by Randy Bated for approval of up to \$250.00 each for C.R.C. Watershed Association, and Darby Creek Valley Association to assist with supplies for stream clean-ups. The motion was voted upon and approved without any negative votes or abstentions.

Motion Request – By Robert Bernhardt and seconded by Elaine Schaefer for costs relating to the new phone system up to \$5,000.00. The motion was voted upon and approved without any negative votes or abstentions.

Motion Request- By Raymond Iacobucci and seconded by Randy Bates for the closure of the SEPA Money Market Account and transfer funds to the Southeastern Pennsylvania Resource Conservation and Development Council. (\$15,400.00) The motion was voted upon and approved without any negative votes or abstentions.

Motion Request – By Elaine Schaefer and seconded by Joe Fecondo to pay the RC & D dues. The motion was voted upon and approved without any negative votes or abstentions.

Motion Request – By Raymond Iacobucci and seconded by Randy Bates to accept Emergency Review donations from the following.

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| 1. Charter School, Upland Borough..... | \$ 600.00 |
| 2. Marple Rd. Main Replacement, Haverford Township..... | \$ 150.00 |
| 3. Concord Springs Valley, Concord Township..... | <u>\$1,312.50</u> |
| | <u>\$2,062.50</u> |

Checks for Signature:

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| 1. Southeastern PA. Resource Conservation & Development Council | \$15,400.00 |
| 2. Treasurer of Delaware County (Temp. Deposit) | \$ 300.00 |
| 3. Treasurer of Delaware County (Temp. Deposit) | \$18,704.19 |
| 4. Treasurer of Delaware County (Watershed Specialist DD Temp Dep) | \$9, 753.00 |

Old Business

Telephone and Associated Services – we had another meeting with Telecommunications. The phones have been ordered and the logistics are being worked on.

Reserve Accounts – Plan for these funds - We opted to make some changes, the Watershed Specialist Grant will still be transferred to the county and the Coastal Zone Grant amount has been decreased. We will be using gas drilling money to offset these costs. Almost all of the money has been allocated, still waiting to see if we get funding from the state. The Block grant is currently not being offered at this time.

New Business

Distribution of Financial Interest Statement Forms to Directors for 2012 – these were handed out to all directors present.

Discussion on July Meeting – Ed will be on vacation at the time of this meeting, in years past the July meeting has not been held due to vacations or holiday conflicts.

Motion Request - By Randy Bates and seconded by Raymond Iacobucci to cancel the July meeting. The motion was voted upon and approved without any negative votes or abstentions.

Mutual Aid Agreement for Agricultural Service with Chester County C.D. – We have farm and animal operations in Delaware County and due to changes in requirements of Manure Management Plans Chester County Conservation District would like for us to enter into a mutual agreement with them where we would pay for services used from them to assist with the management of these operations.

Motion Request - By Cheryl Graff – Tumola and seconded by Randy Bates to

enter into this agreement with Chester County Conservation District. The motion was voted upon and approved without any negative votes or abstentions.

Update of Revised SEPA R.C&D. Council - We have gone down the 4 counties. Each district will have 1 district employee and 1 additional representative. For Delaware County is it Ed Magargee and Karen Holm. We are researching opening membership up to Berks County but there are revenue questions. Watershed Specialists from each district will work on getting grants.

NRCS Cooperative Agreement - Beth Swartzenruber-Sassaman of NRCS reviewed the NRCS Cooperative Agreement with the board members. Specifically the Civil Rights Compliance and anti-discrimination information was reviewed from this agreement.

Report from Cooperating Agencies –Linda Mackey – DEP, Field Representative and Beth Swartzenruber-Sassman – USDA/NRCS provided a report a complete copy of the report will be attached to the official minutes.

Conservation District Manager's Report & Staff Reports - Edward Magargee, Michelle Ferri, Kevin Boyle and Brian Vadino submitted written reports detailing their activities for the past month. A complete copy of these reports will be attached to the official minutes.

Erosion & Sediment Control Plan Reviews - Attached

Individual Request for Assistance- None

Next Meeting: March 5, 2013

Adjournment- 4:30 p.m