

DISTRICT BOARD MINUTES

March 5, 2013

DELAWARE CO. CONSERVATION DISTRICT
ROSE TREE PARK - HUNT CLUB
1521 N. PROVIDENCE ROAD
MEDIA, PENNSYLVANIA 19063
(610) 892-9484



The regular meeting of Delaware County Conservation District was held on Tuesday, March 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, 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

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

Approval of Minutes – On a Motion by Joseph Fecondo and seconded by Raymond Iacobucci the minutes of February 5, 2013 were voted on and approved.

Audience Comments – None

Correspondence & Announcements -

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

Motion Request – By Robert Bernhardt and seconded by Raymond Iacobucci to file all bank statements for audit for February. The motion was voted on and approved without any negative votes or abstentions. A complete copy of these statements will be attached to the official minutes.

Motion Request – By Elaine Schaefer and seconded by Raymond Iacobucci for approval of up to \$600.00 to cover the costs of hosting the DEP/District Roundtable meeting at the Springfield Inn. The motion was voted on and approved without any negative votes or abstentions.

Motion Request – By Raymond Iacobucci and seconded by Joseph Fecondo to accept Emergency Review donations from Aqua – Bridge Street. The motion was voted on and approved without any negative votes or abstentions.

Checks for Signature:

1. United Savings Bank (from Affiliate fund to Petty Cash) \$ 698.16

Old Business

Telephone and Associated Services – we are in the process of working out what the cost per month will be and how many new phones we will purchase.

Reserve Accounts – Plan for these funds - We originally perceived that we would be receiving funds from the Marcellus Shale drilling and now that may be changing. Also, our existing budget and assistance from the State may decrease.

Financial Interest Statement Reminder for Directors – Ed gave the directors a reminder that these forms need to be filled out and turned back in.

Mutual Aid Agreement for Agricultural Service with Chester County C.D. – There is a meeting scheduled with Chester County Conservation District on March 16th to discuss the proposal.

Update of Revised SEPA R.C&D. Council – We are currently “in limbo” with this transition mainly due to 501c3 questions and unemployment questions. NRCS has reached out to R.C. & D. to possible be the administrators of a grant that would go towards paying the salary for one of their employees. That has not been decided on yet.

New Business

2013 Annual Plan of Work – Ed requested feedback on the 2013 Annual Work Plan. Robert Bernhardt let us know that there were some grammatical and spelling errors that should be addressed prior to the finalization of the plan. Elaine Schaefer inquired about the current cap on the mini-grant projects. The suggestion was made to possibly increase the amount as an incentive for more groups to do more projects in the county. Ed will do research on the current verbiage and make a proposal for the Fall season of the mini-grants as the Spring round is approaching. At that time, everyone else agreed with what was being proposed.

2013 / 2014 State Budget - Governor Corbett has zeroed out 2 line items on the budge that affect us due to Marcellus Shale money. Now there is a question about Marcellus Shale money only going to the counties that have actual well drilling. Letters will be drafted and sent to the local legislators in Delaware County, requesting their assistance in the budgetary issues facing the Conservations Districts.

Report from Cooperating Agencies –Linda Mackey – DEP, Field Representative 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: April 2, 2013

Adjournment- 4:30 p.m