

Catoctin Board Meeting
April 18, 2018
9:00 am

In attendance: Supervisors McBride, Grossnickle, Salisbury, Sowers, Associates Brennan, District Manager D. Remsburg, ADM Leatherman, DC Cammauf, Extension K. Nichols.

Minutes approved by Motion: Salisbury/Sowers - All in agreement

Treasurer's report approved by Motion: Grossnickle/Salisbury – All in agreement

There was a Motion: Grossnickle/Sowers to approve the Financial Report-All in agreement.

Joint urban checking, money market, Ag complex, SAM accounts approved by Motion: Grossnickle/Salisbury - All in agreement.

Expenses for the month approved by Motion: Grossnickle/Salisbury. All in agreement.

Checks #7991 thru #8006 , Joint Urban Check #1792.

Ag. Complex Checks - None, and SAM Check#165 and #166- All in agreement

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Remsburg gave the Ecotone update he reported the Districts received a 3,450 dollar payment from the Savage Project, 1.5% for administration cost. The trees are to be planted in the near future. Sowers questioned Stream Restoration Projects going to Ecotone and not being put out for bids. Remsburg is to get a breakdown from Ecotone for the Savage Project.
2. Remsburg gave the Manure Injection Equipment update, he reported Allegheny Ag. ordered 5,710 dollars in repair parts to replace worn parts and a bill for 1,192 dollars to do the repairs. Injection has been completed for 6 Cooperators at this time and there are many waiting. Remsburg said he has some names for additional contacts.
3. Remsburg reported the Annual Report has been mailed out.
4. Remsburg reported on the County Envirothon, the competition will be held on April 24th at Cunningham Falls State Park. Remsburg reported contributions have been received from New Market Lions Club, Jumbo's Pumpkin Patch and Burkittsville Ruritan Club, he also reported South Mountain Creamery will be donating Ice Cream.
5. Remsburg reported Travis is coming back next week to do more BMP verifications.
6. Remsburg reported he and Arnold have not gotten together yet to work out the details for the Awards Program.

CURRENT BUSINESS:

1. Remsburg reported on the Manure Injection Field Day in Garrett County on April 17th they showed videos since the weather did not permit the actual demonstration.
2. Remsburg reported on the Meeting SCD had with MDE and the County; it was in reference to the findings at Fall Regional Delegation. There was discussion on coordination of Ag. Practices, Ag. Structures and Storm water. MDE suggested quartley meetings between SCD and the County.
3. Remsburg reported the County will be installing a new INFO System, to replace the current Hansen, it is to take effect in January 2019. Meetings will be coming up in the near future.

4. Remsburg reported a WIP III Progress Meeting is to be held on May 18th at Williamsport Banquet Hall, District Managers are asked to attend this meeting. The Meeting will be based more on Urban and Storm Water, then on August 28th there will be a County Planning Meeting No place has been set at this time.
5. Remsburg presented a draft letter to the MACs Office for Boards approval concerning changing their billing process to make it simpler; Sowers suggested adding a note to make billing process more like NRCS, with Sowers amendment. There was a Motion: Salisbury/Grossnickle to accept the letter. All in agreement.
6. Remsburg handed out and went over the Quarterly Financial Report with the Board.
7. Remsburg handed out the Monthly Planner/Technician Activity Report and his District Manager Report.

Communications: Nothing to Report

Cammauf: distribute written NRCS report: See attached.- Nothing to Report Cammauf was out of the Office.

Committee Report: Info/Ed: No Report

Awards: No Report.

Legislative: No Report

Ag. Complex: No Report

Conservation plans: Approved by Motion: Grossnickle/ Salisbury - All in agreement.

Cooperating agencies:

1. Extension K. Nichols reported she has just finished up a Beginning Farmer Class, with 17 participants.
2. Farm Credit just started a Beginning Farmer Class and they have 3 participants.
3. Details are being worked out for Breakfast on the farm, June 30th; they are planning for 1200 people.
4. Nichols reported on the Spotted Lantern Fly and handed out information.

NEXT MONTHLY MEETING: Date: Tuesday - May 15th. @ 9:00 am

Minutes recorded by: Steve Leatherman

