

Catoctin Board Meeting  
December 23, 2019  
9:30 am

In attendance: Supervisors McBride, Arnold, Salisbury, Sowers, Grossnickle, Associates J. Falkenstein, District Manager D. Remsburg, ADM Leatherman, DC Cammauf, Extension- M. Morris, K. Nichols, MDA Hutchinson.

Minutes approved by Motion: Grossnickle/ McBride - All in agreement

Treasurer's report approved by Motion: Grossnickle/McBride - All in agreement

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

Expenses for the month approved by Motion: Grossnickle/McBride- All in agreement.  
Checks #8395 thru #8416, Joint Urban Checks- #1842 thru 1844 Ag. Complex Checks - None, SAM Check-None.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

1. Remsburg gave the Ecotone update. The DNR monthly report has been sent in. No construction has started at this time, one is still to start in January and the other in March.
2. Remsburg Gave the Manure Injection Equipment update. Allegheny Ag. did injection for Dave Doody, Gary Grossnickle and Scott Coblenz. Adam Wivell has to be done yet. Dotterer explained if someone has approval they can haul but no applications will be taken. No invoices have been received for hauling's just completed.
3. Remsburg gave the update on the Winter Soil Health Meeting. It has been advertised on Facebook, Soil Conservation Website and invitations are sent to all who did Cover Crop. It is to be held on February 5<sup>th</sup>. Nutrient Management and CCA credits available.
4. Remsburg mentioned to be sure to get your registration and or reservations in for the Winter MASCD Meeting by January 17<sup>th</sup>. There was a Motion: Sowers/ Grossnickle giving approval for Associates to attend if they would like. All in agreement.
5. Remsburg gave an update on the changes made on the NRCS MOU. There was a Motion: Grossnickle/McBride to approve the NRCS Mou with changes made. All in agreement.

**CURRENT BUSINESS:**

1. Remsburg asked the Board if they would be willing to sign a 5-year lease for additional office space and sub lease to MDA after details was explained, There was a Motion: Sowers/ Grossnickle to be the lease holder for the space and sub lease to MDA. All in agreement.

2. Remsburg presented a proposal for Catoclin District to support the Catoclin High School Land Judging Team in National Competition. There was a Motion: McBride/Grossnickle to approve \$500-dollar sponsorship. All in agreement.
3. Remsburg presented a Forest Harvest permit change to the Board, it was about contacting DNR 3 days before mobilization and to give DNR authority to come onto private property. Remsburg is get more information. There was a Motion: Sowers/ Grossnickle to table until January Meeting. All in agreement.
4. Remsburg reported the Boards have a signed agreement with Rodger Thomas to do SWM pond reviews.
5. Remsburg presented a request from Extension Service to be a sponsor to Breakfast on the Farm on June 6<sup>th</sup> at Dubaugh Farm in Washington County. There was a Motion: Sowers/ McBride to approve a \$500-dollar donation. All in agreement.
6. Remsburg presented an Ag. Exemption Extension request for Jason Moore to spread topsoil in the previous Ag. exemption area. There was a Motion: Sowers/Arnold to grant the request. All in agreement.
7. Sowers mentioned forming a Committee between both Boards to discuss the possibility of the two Boards coming together to form one Frederick County Board, after discussion there was a Motion: Grossnickle/Arnold to table it for now.

Communications: No Report.

Cammauf: distribute written report (copy or file)- copy attached.

Committee Report: Info/Ed: No Report

Awards- No Report

Legislative: No Report

Ag. Complex: Remsburg reported he received a call from State Highway Administration about the appraisal rate for property Soil Conservation owns. They are appraising it as 3 lots with a remainder the highest rate it can be appraised for. they will get back in late February with an appraisal price. Remsburg is to contact SHA to get a refresher on what was discussed at the last Joint Meeting with them.

Conservation plans: Approved by Motion: No plans to approve.

Cooperating agencies:

MDA Hutchinson -1. handed out a brochure on different Stream Restoration BMP's .

2. Hutchinson reported on a Soil Health Grant that is a 3-year program.

Extension Service. January 17<sup>th</sup> is a Hay and Forage Conference at Burkittsville Ruritan Club Building.

NEXT MONTHLY MEETING: Date: Wednesday - January 21, 2020

Motion to Adjourn: Grossnickle/ Arnold - Minutes taken by Steve Leatherman

*Steve Leatherman*