

Catoctin Board Meeting
January 21, 2020
9:00 am

In attendance: Supervisors McBride, Arnold, Salisbury, Sowers, Grossnickle, Associates J. Falkenstein, A.Esworthy, B. Brennan, District Manager D. Remsburg, ADM Leatherman, Extension- K. Nichols .

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

Checks #8418 thru #8431, Joint Urban Checks- #1845 thru 1846 Ag. Complex Checks - None, SAM Check # 195- All in agreement.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Remsburg gave the Ecotone update. The Monthly Reports have been sent to DNR on Israel Creek/ Broad Run Projects. Construction is not going to start until May.
2. Remsburg gave the Manure Injection Equipment update: a final invoice is to be submitted to Sustainable Chesapeake with 362 acres of medium and high priority acres injected for a total of \$23,336.55 dollars. Low priority acres amounted to 391.7 acres plus 25 acres done for Adam Wivell. Repairs need to be made to the injector and submit an invoice with the acres injected to close the grant.
There was some discussion about the sale of the injector and frack tank, all repairs to the injector are to be made. Sowers asked about the condition of the tires. There was a Motion: Sowers/Grossnickle to advertise in Lancaster Farmer with a picture and a price of \$115,000 dollars for the injector and Frack Tank or \$100,000 dollars for just the Injector or best offer.
3. Remsburg reported on the Winter Soil Health Meeting to held on February 5th at the Fair Ground in the Null Building. There are several Sponsors setting up displays. There is about 75 registered at this time.
4. Remsburg brought up the Forest Harvest permit change that was tabled from the December Board Meeting, after discussion the Board decided to *Not* approve the change to the permit.
5. Remsburg reported he sent a letter to MDA stating the Board would be willing to be the lease holder for a 5 year lease for space for MDA Staff.
6. Remsburg reported on travel arrangements to MASCD Winter Meeting on February 3rd & 4th.

CURRENT BUSINESS:

1. Remsburg reported on County Legislative Day that will be held on February 8th. Invitations has been sent to Federal, State and County Politicians.
2. Remsburg handed out and went over the Quarterly Financials and the year comparison Reports.
3. Remsburg reported the SSCC received the Boards request for Richard McBride to remain on the Board for another term but has decided to approve Extension Service recommendation to appoint Adam Holter as Extension Service position to the Board. There was a Motion: Grossnickle/ Sowers to make a resolution recognizing Richard McBride for 30 years of service. All in agreement
4. Remsburg presented a request for Brian Horman to reinstate his Ag. Exemption, there was a Motion: Grossnickle/ Sowers to approve. All in agreement.
5. Remsburg reported Paul Spurrier is in charge of the Poster Contest. He can get a grant from Rural Maryland Council in the amount of \$1,000 dollars and would like to run it through the Catoctin Board to try and get Catoctin District Schools involved. There was a Motion: Grossnickle/Sowers to approve running the grant through Catoctin Districts Books. All in agreement.

Communications: No Report.

Cammauf: distribute written report (copy or file)- copy attached. Remsburg handed out and went over Cammaufs report in his absence.

Committee Report: Info/Ed: No Report

Awards- No Report

Legislative: No Report

Ag. Complex: No Report

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

Cooperating agencies: Extension K.Nichols presented some upcoming events. See attached copy. She also mentioned the position M. Morris is opening in two weeks and Montgomery Co. and Prince Georges Co. are each looking for an Ag. Agent.

NEXT MONTHLY MEETING: Date: Wednesday- February 19, 2020

Motion to Adjourn: Grossnickle/ Arnold.

Minutes taken by Steve Leatherman

