

# Frederick Board Meeting

## May 26, 2020

In attendance: Supervisors- B. Rakestraw, R. Ediger, R. Myers, S. Hipkins, R. Troxell, Associates- B. Ripley, P. Spurrer, District Manager- D. Remsburg, Assistant District Manager- S. Leatherman.

Minutes and approved by Motion: Ediger/ Troxell - All in agreement.

Treasurer's report approved by Motion: Hipkins/ Myers - All in agreement.

Joint urban checking, money market, Ag complex, SAM, endowment accounts approved by Motion: Myers/Troxell. All in agreement.

Expenses for the month approved by Motion: Hipkins/ Myers -All in agreement.

Checks # 3447 thru 3469, Joint Urban Checks #1855 thru 1856, Ag. Complex Checks # None, SAM Checks - None. All in agreement.

### Old Business:

1. Remsburg gave the Ecotone update, the Monthly Report was submitted to DNR along with an invoice for the amount of \$65,897 dollars for final payment of Buffington Road Project received \$17,000 dollars from MDE as final payment for design on Broad Run Project. A request for funding in the amount of \$106,042 dollars was made for beginning construction on Broad Run Project in Woodsboro. Remsburg and Ecotone met with Alice Stevens to go over the project with her.
2. Remsburg gave the Manure Equipment update, Tim McMichael is no longer interested. Remsburg spoke with Stan Fultz, he suggested contacting Universities. Remsburg talked to Richard Strite, he has not had the time to make repairs. the Frak Tank is at Keith Wiles Farm. Atlantic Tractor is willing to help with sale. Remsburg has put it on the District Website.
3. Remsburg gave the Cover Crop update as of May 22<sup>nd</sup> - 84 claims have been submitted to the MAC's Office totaling 13,700 acres and \$610,000 dollars in claims. There were 190 cooperators signed up, they have until June 3<sup>rd</sup> to report kill down.
4. Remsburg gave the MDA Staff update as for Covid-19. Employees can start to go back in the field with a 24-hour approval from DM or WAC, no face to face visits, no onsite pre- con Meetings, no visits for signature, person per vehicle, must sanitize vehicle and equipment used when returned. Wear a mask in common area when in building. Remsburg is to check on having a supply of masks in the office.
5. Remsburg reported the new Park and Ride on Elmer Derr Road was going to start in the fall according to the Frederick News Post. He contacted SHA, the reply from SHA Real Property Manager said the appraisal has been completed and approved. They are waiting authorization from SHA to formally present the offer to the Districts, authorization should be approved by the end of the month.
6. Remsburg reported the consensus of the Board after receiving the results of the Scholarship Applications is to award the \$1000-dollar scholarship to Ashley Wiles and the \$500-dollar

scholarship to Jacob Shemer. Motion: Ediger/ Hipkins to approve \$1000 dollars out of Endowment account and \$500 dollars out of General Account. All in agreement.

#### CURRENT BUSINESS:

1. Remsburg asked for signature Authority again this month then he reported the Catoctin Board approved a 6-month approval authority if needed (May-October) Frederick decided to do the same. There was a Motion: Hipkins/Myers to approve signature authority for 6- months up to \$1000 dollars. All in agreement.
2. Remsburg had earlier e-mailed the May SSCC Report and then went over the highlights at their May Tele Conference (Board Meeting).
3. Remsburg earlier e-mailed the Quarterly Financial Report and went over it in the Tele-Conference.
4. Remsburg went over the Leadership Assessment tool with the Board. He could not find any by-laws, there may be something in the Archives but the Thurmont Library is closed, he will check with other Districts. The latest plan of work found was for 2016. Remsburg is to revise it and e-mail it to the Board Members to review and make comments. It needs to be into SSCC by June 30<sup>th</sup>.
5. Troxell reported RC&D is going to hire people for Frederick Watersheds. The MD Forestry Board was accepting applications until May 23.

#### Communications:

Remsburg reported he received a letter from Farm Safety Camp Committee saying Safety Camp is being cancelled this year because of the virus, also Farm Bureau and Farm Safety Camp is donating funds to have a free milk give away. Dairy maid will be bottling the milk for \$1.00 dollar a gallon. No funds donated to Farm Safety Camp by SCD will be used in the giveaway.

Cammauf: - Remsburg presented Cammaufs Report in his absence.

Committee Report: Info/Ed: Myers thanked Remsburg for heading up the Scholarships.

Awards: It was reported awards may possibly be awarded this year but probably not at a banquet

Legislative: No Report

Ag. Complex: No Report.

Conservation plans: No plans to approve.

Cooperating agencies: MDA Hutchinson - Remsburg reported in K. Nichols absence. If credits are needed for pesticide and NM licenses the deadline has been extended. The new expiration date is 30 days after the emergency is lifted.

**NEXT MONTHLY MEETING: Date: *Tuesday-June 23, 2020***

Motion: to Adjourn: Hipkins

Minutes recorded by: Steve Leatherman