

Catoctin Board Meeting
October 20, 2020
9:00 am

Approved
11/17/20

Attending via conference call: Supervisors Holter, Arnold, Grossnickle, Falkenstein, Sowers, Brennan, DM Remsburg, ADM Leatherman, DC Cammauf, MDA Hutchinson, Extension K.Nichols, RC&D Josh Smith.

Minutes approved by Motion: Arnold/Falkenstein to approve as amended, change Sowers to Holter on Motion to adjourn and Conservation Plans- All in agreement.

Joint Minutes approved by Motion: Falkenstein/Arnold- All in agreement.

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

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

Expenses for the month approved by Motion: Grossnickle/ Arnold
Checks #8582 thru #8600, Joint Urban Checks-None, Ag. Complex Checks - None, SAM Checks#- 198. All in agreement.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Remsburg gave the Ecotone update, the Broad Run Stream Restoration Project has been completed. Payment of \$212,000 dollars has been received from DNR along with an invoice for \$127,251 dollars and a request for \$49,485 dollars in advance funding.
2. Remsburg gave the Manure Injection Equipment update, Richard Strite has a contact of possible sale of the Injector to a Dairy Farmer in South Dakota, through Tractor House Magazine. Remsburg has been trying to get in contact with Josh Martin at Atlantic Tractor to find out how much it weighs. Remsburg reported Keith Wiles offered to pay \$60,000 dollars for the Injector, Frac Tank and the parts.
3. Remsburg gave the Cover Crop update, 1400 acres has been turned into MAC's Office so far. Each Staff Member is working with a list of Cooperators. The last planting date is November 5th with reporting no later than November 12th.
4. Remsburg gave the Park & Ride update. He received an invoice from Bud McPherson in the amount of \$825.00 dollars for the Appraisal Service he rendered. There was a Motion: Grossnickle/Arnold to pay McPherson-All in agreement.

CURRENT BUSINESS:

1. Josh Smith RC&D gave his update on ongoing programs, they have 24 positions hired in Maryland and 3 NRCS positions are in the Frederick Office. They did a Stream Restoration Project and looking for other possible Stream Restoration projects. They have two hemp related grants for equipment and testing. The University of Maryland is a co-sponsor for the hemp Program. They have done Tree Planting Projects and lastly, they are looking for a Representative from Catoctin Board to serve on the RC&D Council.
2. Remsburg presented the Annual NACD dues invoice. Last year was paid at the gold level minimum of \$775 dollars. There was a Motion: Grossnickle/Falkenstein to pay \$775 dollars. All in agreement.
3. Remsburg presented the Annual MASCD dues and Teacher Award the full dues and Teacher Award is \$2250 dollars. There was a Motion: Grossnickle/Falkenstein to pay the full dues All in agreement.

Communications: No Report

Cammauf: distribute written report-See copy attached.

Committee Report: Info/Ed- No Report

Awards: Remsburg reported on Award Recognition, he is going to have the Sign made and contact Mike & Brandy Lewis about a presentation date possibly the week of November 9th or after the Board Meeting on November 17th. He will put an article in the Newspaper and put it on Facebook.

Legislative: No Report

Ag. Complex: No Report

Conservation Plans: Accepted by Motion: Grossnickle/Falkenstein-All in agreement.

Cooperating agencies: Extension- K. Nichols -

1. All Winter Meetings will be online.
2. Can make in person meetings.
3. Virtual Crop Production Meetings.
4. There are various ways and oppositions for getting credits.

MDA Heather Hutchinson

1. The new trucks are still in Annapolis waiting for tags
2. A new Buffer Program will be starting soon, stream fencing 5-year program
3. MDA is permitted to fill 50 positions across the State- 4 Techs, 1 Planner position for Frederick.
4. The Governor has a 10-million-dollar relief program for farmers due to Covid 19.

NEXT MONTHLY MEETING: Date: Tuesday- November 17th, 2020 @ 9:00am

Motion to Adjourn: Falkenstein/Grossnickle.
Minutes taken by Steve Leatherman

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