

**Catoctin Board Meeting
December 21, 2021**

In attendance: Supervisors Falkenstein, Holter, Orlowski, Arnold, Sowers, Associates Grossnickle, Shafer, Brennan, DM Hutchinson, ADM Leatherman, DC Cammauf.

Minutes approved by motion: Falkenstein/Arnold. All in agreement.

December Joint Board minutes approved by motion: Falkenstein/ Arnold with the correction of #3 Catoctin board received their Farm Bureau dues and decided to pay their own.

Treasurer's report approved by motion: Falkenstein/Arnold. All in agreement.
Hutchinson is to check with MVB on a Sweep Account.

Joint Urban Checking Money Market, Ag complex accounts approved by Motion: Falkenstein/Orlowski.
All in agreement.

Expenses for the month approved by Motion: Falkenstein/Arnold. All in agreement.

Checks - #8830 thru #8859, Joint urban Checks #2045 and #2046, Ag. Complex Checks – None.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Hutchinson reported she has received good responses from the banquet, Catoctin's portion of the cost was \$522.75.
2. Hutchinson reported that she sent the NRCS/SCD memorandum of agreement back to NRCS with questions and comments. They responded but did not address all comments. Hutchinson responded and is waiting on NRCS for the next step in the process.

CURRENT BUSINESS:

1. Hutchinson presented the Election of Officers for 2022, the Board chose Sowers for Chairman, Falkenstein for Vice Chairman, Holter for Treasurer and Orlowski for Assistant Treasurer. All in agreement.
2. Hutchinson reported Catoctin High School FFA Soil Judging Team won the State Contest and is asking for a donation to help with the trip to Nationals. There was a **motion: Orlowski/Falkenstein to donate \$1000 dollars and challenge Frederick Board to do the same. All in agreement.**
3. Hutchinson reported there is a mandatory Supervisor Training coming up (Sexual Harassment) to be held on March 1st from 9:30am-11:30 at the Washington County Ag. Center.
4. Hutchinson presented the Maryland Farm and Harvest Program to the Board. There was a **motion: Falkenstein/Orlowski to donate \$1000 dollars to the program. All in agreement.**
5. Hutchinson mentioned "A Taste of Maryland" to the Board again, since Frederick Board voted to purchase their own ticket rather than sharing cost. There was a **motion: Orlowski/Arnold to purchase a ticket at \$100 dollars. All in agreement.** Orlowski would like to attend.

6. Hutchinson presented the Farm Bureau dues to the Board. There was a **motion: Falkenstein/Orlowski to pay \$70 dollars in dues. All in agreement.**
7. Hutchinson went over items discussed at the November SSCC Meeting.
8. Hutchinson mentioned the Pilot Buffer Initiative offered by MDA. This is the second year of the pilot. This year they are including wildlife exclusion fencing that borders a buffer.
9. Hutchinson presented NACD North East Region/MASCD Meeting survey to the Board, they mentioned they would like Manure Storage, to be discussed. Their success story is the Lewis Family, Cooperator of the Year 2020.

COMMUNICATIONS: Nothing to Report.

CAMMAUF: distribute written report- See copy attached.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Info/Ed: Hutchinson reported there will be no County Envirothon Training Day in 2022. The competition will be in-person, held at Cunningham Falls, on April 26, 2022. The State Envirothon will be a one-day event held at the at the University of Maryland Clarksville Research Farm on June 22, 2022. Burch will present the Envirothon Budget at a later date.

Awards: No Report

Legislative: No Report

Ag. Complex: No Report

Conservation Plans: Accepted by Motion: There was a **Motion: Arnold/Falkenstein to accept plans.** All in agreement.

Cooperating agencies: Orlowski reported RC&D is mostly focused on tree plantings at this time. Extension report is provided in the back of the packet.

NEXT MONTHLY MEETING: Date: Wednesday -January 19th @ 9:00 Burkittsville .

Adjournment – Falkenstein

Minutes recorded by: Steve Leatherman

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