

CARBON CONSERVATION DISTRICT

5664 Interchange Road

Lehighton, PA 18235

October 27, 2022

Board Meeting Minutes

Meeting held at Carbon County Environmental Education Center

151 E. White Bear Drive

Summit Hill, PA 18250

and via WebEx conference/video call

PRESENT: Roger Shoenberger; Merle Hunsicker; Scott Mosier; Robbie Cressley; David Hawk; Fred Merluzzi; Chris Storm; Susan Gallagher; Briana Fulmer; Susan Gegeckas; Caitlin Skibiell, DEP; Andrew Kearse, NRCS (WebEx).

Visitor: Joyce Borger

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman Shoenberger.

MINUTES from the September 2022 meeting approved on a motion of R. Cressley, second by S. Mosier. Roll call vote carried, all in favor.

COOPERATING AGENCY REPORTS

- DEP – Talking Points -C. Skibiell - Included in meeting packet. Reviewed with minimal discussion.
- NRCS – A. Kearse – Included in meeting packet. Reviewed with minimal discussion.

FINANCIALS

- CD Financial Reports were entered into the record on motion of M. Hunsicker, second by R. Cressley. Carried, all in favor.
- EEC Financial Reports were entered into the record on motion of R. Cressley, second by S. Mosier. Carried, all in favor.

NEW BUSINESS

- S. Gegeckas shared the Highmark rebate of \$4,680.13 that was received for improving wellness in 2021.
- The Conservation District Office building has new owners and will no longer provide housekeeping services or supplies.
- R. Shoenberger made a motion, second by M. Hunsicker to approve S. Gallagher to attend the Online Intermediate Methods in Interpretation Certificate at a cost of \$350. Roll call vote, all in favor.
- The PA Agricultural Conservation Assistance Program (ACAP) was introduced by C. Storm. The program begins in 2023 and will be discussed later.
- R. Shoenberger made a motion, second by M. Hunsicker to request \$12,111 reimbursement for Agricultural Conservation Technician (ACT). Roll call vote, all in favor.

EEC REPORT

- The honey extractor was not purchased due to discontinuation of item. Borrowed one and made over \$400 to date.

DISTRICT TECHNICIAN REPORT – Included in packet. Reviewed with minimal discussion.

DISTRICT MANAGER REPORT -Included in packet. Reviewed with minimal discussion.

DIRT AND GRAVEL/LOW VOLUME ROADS – Included in meeting packet. Reviewed with minimal discussion.

Meeting adjourned at 7:59 p.m.

Next Board meeting is Thursday, November 17, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. at the EEC and via WebEx.

Respectively submitted,

Susan Gegeckas

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District Secretary