

## Frederick Board Meeting October 24, 2018

In attendance: Supervisors- B. Rakestraw, G. Harshman, R. Myers, S. Hipkins, Associates- P. Spurrier, B. Ripley, R. Ediger, District Manager- D. Remsburg, Assistant District Manager- S. Leatherman, Extension K. Nichols .

Minutes approved by motion: Hipkins/ Myers- There was a Motion: Myers/Harshman to approve the Joint board Meeting Minutes as presented. All in agreement.

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

Joint urban checking, money market, Ag complex, Sam accounts approved by Motion: Hipkins /Harshman- All in agreement.

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

Checks # 2889 thru 2914, Joint Urban Checks #1805 thru 1807, Ag. Complex Checks # None, SAM Checks # 179 thru 181- All in agreement.

### Old Business:

1. Remsburg gave the Ecotone update, trees have been planted on the Savage Project, and there is a wet spot that Savage would like to have drained. Ecotone is checking it out. Final payment has been received. Proposals have been sent in for Burkitts Run (Kurt Brown and Mel Berman are property owners) and the Wilson project along route 70 in New Market. The Alice Stevens Project in Broad Run has been accepted.
2. Remsburg gave the Manure Injection update- SCD received payment of 16,976 dollars for June Injection, the July Invoice has not been received at this time in the amount of 21,635 dollars. An Invoice has been paid to Atlantic Tractor in the amount of \$2442.36 for parts. There was 300 acres injected in September of that 270 acres are high or medium priority. Remsburg reported SCD is still taking applications for Manure Transport and Manure Injection.
3. Remsburg reported Banquet Invitations has been sent out and reservations are starting to coming in.
4. Remsburg reported the Rent Agreement was discussed at MASCD Quarterly Meeting, there are still changes needed NRCS is coming to each District to work out their Agreement. The previous Agreement signed by the Districts is voided because of changes.
5. Remsburg reported the upgraded interest rates on Joint Accounts, there needs to be one signature, he had Sowers sign it since their Board Meeting was first. There is one Account that still needs to be signed. It is Fredericks Operation Account. Myers will sign it today.

### CURRENT BUSINESS:

1. Remsburg reported the NACD Annual Meeting will be held in February from the 2<sup>nd</sup> to the 5<sup>th</sup> in San Antonio, Texas. He is asking for approval from the Board for Rakestraw and himself to attend. In the past Frederick Board approved up to 2000 dollars for Rakestraw and 1000 from each District for Remsburg. There was a Motion: Harshman/Hipkins to approve the funds for Rakestraw and Remsburg to attend the Annual NACD Convention. All in Agreement. Remsburg also presented the NACD Annual dues Invoice to the Board there was a Motion: Harshman/Hipkins to pay the same as last year (1800 dollars was paid which is the diamond level). All in Agreement.
2. Remsburg and Hipkins reported the highlights of the MASCD Quarterly Meeting, MASCD voted to increase the Envirothon dues from 500 dollars to 750 dollars per District. MASCD did not require a full audit this year. MASCD received a Grant for FASCAP Program. A Grant was received from NFWF for Planner and Technician Training. A Workshop is going to be held on March 5<sup>th</sup> to the

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8<sup>th</sup> to train Planners and Technicians how to pick up on Mental health and Suicide possibilities in Cooperators

Louise Lawrence position has been filled by Alisha Mulkey. There are still 149 conditional approvals for Cover Crop. They have until February to get approval status. MDA is going to fill PIN Positions. NACD Summer Meeting in Williamsburg was reported on. MASCD is talking about doing March and October meetings by teleconference and last the Winter Meeting is scheduled for February 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup>, the Summer Meeting is scheduled for August 5<sup>th</sup> thru 7<sup>th</sup>.

3. Rensburg reported Myers Term expires on November, he is sending an application for another term, and 3 applications are needed to choose from.
4. Rensburg handed out and went over the Quarterly Financial Report with the Board.
5. Rensburg reported the Districts received 1080 dollars reimbursable payment last quarter from MASCD/NRCS agreement.
6. Rensburg gave the Chesapeake Bay Trust Fund Quarterly Report to MDA, Grace Garst did 572 acres of planning and Kendra Dell had 2 practices installed. Other projects are in various stages of completion
7. Rensburg handed out the Monthly Planner/Technician Activity Report and his District Managers Report

Communications: No Report

Committee Report: Info/Ed: No Report

Cammauf: distribute written NRCS Report (copy for file)- No Report.

Awards:

Rensburg reported Staff is getting photos and writing the presentations for the Award Winners. Staff will give the presentations and Supervisors will present the Award.

Legislative:

Harshman reported Farm Bureau has a candidate forum coming up on Saturday October 27<sup>th</sup> at Independence Fire Company from 8:30 to 12:00. The County Executive and Council candidates will be present to address agriculture issues.

Ag. Complex: No Report

Conservation plans: No plans to approve.

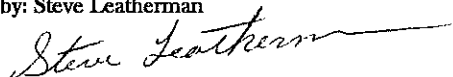
Cooperating agencies: Extension: K. Nichols

1. The Weed Specialist Position will be re-opened next year; it will be a State wide Position.
2. The Pasture Management Position has been accepted it is a State wide position.
3. David Rupert is the Nutrient Management Coordinator replacing Dr. Trish Steinhilber
4. Morris is doing continuing research on Mare's tail.
5. Nichols did Farm Tours with Elementary School age children.

**NEXT MONTHLY MEETING: Date: Tuesday - November 27<sup>th</sup>, 2018 @9:00am**

Motion: to Adjourn Hipkins/Myers

Minutes recorded by: Steve Leatherman



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