

Frederick Board Meeting September 25, 2018

In attendance: Supervisors- B.Rakestraw, G. Harshman, R. Myers, S. Hipkins. R. Troxell, Associates- P. Spurrier, B.Ripley, District Manager- D. Remsburg, Assistant District Manager- S. Leatherman, NRCS- B. Cammauf, Extension K. Nichols, Engineer R.Thompson, Client Jim Frey .

Minutes approved by motion: Myers/Troxell- 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: Myers/Harshman- All in agreement.

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

Checks # 2864 thru 2888, Joint Urban Checks #1803 thru 1804, Ag. Complex Checks # None, SAM Checks # 178.
All in agreement.

Old Business:

1. Remsburg introduced Ron Thompson an Engineer from Van Mar Engineering and Jim Frey the Farmer to the Board, Frey purchased a Quarry and wants to fill it in to do a Land practice (crop it) a Sediment Erosion Plan will need to be approved and all permits received before any fill comes on site. There was a Motion: Myers/ Troxell to grant the Land Management Practice. All in agreement.
2. Remsburg gave the Ecotone update: the Savage Stream Restoration repair is underway and should be completed by the end of September except for the plantings; the total payment for repair is 48 thousand dollars. Ecotone was able to transfer the Grant from the Thompson Project to the Kovalsky Project. There is another Project in the works at Alice Stevens at Steiner Smith Ed near Woodsboro. A design concept is being done at Kurt Brown Farm in Jefferson and another project is being looked into on the Wilson Farm in New Market.
3. Remsburg gave the Manure Injection Equipment update, an invoice has been sent in for 22,000 dollars that has not been received yet and there is a 3,287 dollar bill for parts. There has been 106 acres injected in September so far, 71 medium priorities in Washington County and 35 acres completed for Darrell Wolfe in Middletown.
4. Remsburg reported the Remington Calendars have been ordered.
5. Remsburg reported Phase 3 -WIP goals have been met for 2025 based on the commitment for Nitrogen and Phosphorus reduction.
6. Remsburg reported on the revised Rent Agreement. The Rental Payment will remain the same at \$37,915.50annually, he reported Quarterly Financial Reports will need to be submitted and Semi Annual Performance Reports will be needed. There was a Motion: Myers/Hipkins to approve the agreement as received. All in agreement.
7. Cammauf reported on the QAR this year, there was a full Office Review. Job approval needs to be updated for some employees and he mentioned they(NRCS) need to take a look at curbing design with the weather this year, there is a lot of Manure in Stacker Buildings unstackable.

CURRENT BUSINESS:

1. Remsburg presented the Joint Bank Account upgrades in Interest. There was a Motion: Hipkins/Troxell to change the Accounts to the increased Interest rate. All in agreement.
2. Remsburg reported on the Staff changes Grace Garst changed from a MDA Grant Planner to a NRCS Soil Conservationist. NRCS Technician Brad Yothers will be leaving the last of October. Cammauf is not sure what he is going to do with that position. Cammauf also mentioned the time study NRCS did annually is going to Quarterly.
3. Remsburg reported the new personal Directory is coming out, if anyone has any changes, Rakestraw mentioned Barry Burch needs to be added.
4. Remsburg explained the bill from the lease Company for the new copier.
5. Remsburg handed out the Planner /Technician Monthly Activity Report and his Monthly District Managers Report.

Communications: No Report

Committee Report: Info/Ed: No Report

Cammauf: distribute written NRCS Report (copy for file)- See copy attached.

Awards:

1. Remsburg presented a sign with a little different look, after it was passed around there was a Motion: Hipkins/Troxell to go with a new look. All in agreement.
2. Remsburg reported the Banquet Invitations will be sent out the first of October.
3. Hipkins/Harshman made a Motion to invite the Scholarship Winners and the Poster Winners with their parents to the Banquet. All in agreement
4. Hipkins suggested inviting Farm Credit to the Banquet. The Board Members thought it was a good idea.

Legislative: No Report

Ag. Complex: No Report

Conservation plans: Hipkins/Harshman -all in agreement.

Cooperating agencies: Extension: K. Nichols - planning a Winter Meeting. Extension is hiring a Pasture Specialist and a Dairy Specialist they both will work statewide.

NEXT MONTHLY MEETING: Date: *Wednesday- October 24 th, 2018 @9:00am*

Motion: to Adjourn Hipkins

Minutes recorded by: Steve Leatherman