

Catoctin Board Meeting
May 19, 2020
9:00 am

Attending via conference call: Supervisors Holter, Arnold, Grossnickle, Salisbury, Sowers, Associates- J. Falkenstein, DM Remsburg, ADM Leatherman, MDA Hutchinson, Ext. K. Nichols.

Minutes approved by Motion: Grossnickle / Holter - All in agreement

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

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

Expenses for the month approved by Motion: Grossnickle/ Holter- All in agreement.
Checks #8496 thru #8508, Joint Urban Checks-1855 and 1856, Ag. Complex Checks - None, SAM Checks#- None.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Remsburg gave the Ecotone update, the Monthly Report was submitted to DNR along with an invoice for the amount of \$65,897 dollars for final payment of the Buffington Road Stream Restoration project. He met with Ecotone and the owner (Alice Stevens) to go over her project Broad Run at Woodsboro. A request was made for \$106,042 dollars to begin the Project, Denny also reported there is going to be a lot of dirt to get rid of and he is going to call Glen Jr. or Rick Eaves to see if the are interested.
2. Remsburg gave the Manure Injection Equipment update: Tim McMichael is no longer interested in the Injector, he contacted Stan Fultz and Stan suggested calling some of the Universities. Remsburg reported he has talked to Atlantic Tractor, they would be willing to advertise it. Remsburg is going to put it on the Districts Website and Facebook.
3. Remsburg gave the Cover Crop update as of last Friday there was 47 Spring claims submitted to MAC's Office -totaling 8,000 acres and \$290,000 dollars paid out. There have been some partial kill downs reported.
4. Hutchinson gave the updated Staff guidelines for Covid-19. Staff can start to go back in the field with prior approval from District Manager and Western Area Coordinator. No face to face contact with Cooperators. Wear mask in Office, only one person in a vehicle and vehicle and equipment wiped down on return.
5. Remsburg reported he contacted SHA based on a article in the News-Post announcing Construction to start on the new Park and Ride on Elmer Derr Road this fall, the reply from SHA Real Property Manager said the appraisal has been completed and approved. They are waiting authorization from SHA to formally present the offer to the Districts authorization. Should be approved by the end of the month.

CURRENT BUSINESS:

1. Remsburg asked for temporary signature Authority to sign checks again this Month. Grossnickle made a Motion: to approve signature up \$1000 dollars for a 6month period-second by Holter (May-October) All in agreement.
2. Remsburg emailed the quarterly financial Reports and went over them over the Tele-conference.
3. Remsburg went over the May SSCC Agenda, anyone interested can join in the Tele-conference on May 21st at 9:30am. Applications for area 1 and 3 needs to be received by June 30th.
4. Remsburg went over the Leadership Assessment tool with the Board. He could not find the by-laws. He will check the Archives at the Thurmont Library and contact other Districts. The latest plan of work found was 2016. A copy was e-mailed to each Board Member and they are to make revisions and mail back to the District Office. The Leadership tool needs to be submitted by June 30th.

Communications:

1. Remsburg reported he received a letter from Farm Safety Camp Committee saying Safety Camp is being canceled this year because of the Virus. Also Farm Bureau and Farm Safety Camp are donating funds to have a free milk give away. Dairy Maid is bottling and will be given out on Thursday at the Rescue Mission. No funds donated to Farm Safety Camp by SCD will be used in the Milk Giveaway Program.

Cammauf: distribute written report- Remsburg presented Cammaufs Report in his absence.

Committee Report: Info/Ed: No Report

Awards- No Report

Legislative: No Report

Ag. Complex: No Report

Conservation plans: Approved by Motion: No plans to approve.

Cooperating agencies: Extension: K. Nichols reported she will be tele-working most of the month of June.

Upcoming research projects are still going on. Soybean population, insect traps and Pumpkin weed control.

Upcoming Events: Food Safety Fridays -starting May 2 -Free but must register

Need Credits- Deadline extended for license issued by the State that expire during the State of

Emergency- declared March 5th this includes pesticides and NM License. The new expiration date is 30 days after the Emergency is lifted.

NEXT MONTHLY MEETING: Date: Tuesday- June 16th, 2020

Motion to Adjourn: Grossnickle

Minutes taken by Steve Leatherman