

Frederick Board Meeting August 27, 2019

In attendance: Supervisors- B. Rakestraw, R. Ediger, R. Myers, S. Hipkins. R. Troxell, Associates- P. Spurrier
B. Ripley, District Manager- D. Remsburg, Assistant District Manager- S. Leatherman, Extension Morris, Staff G.
Garst.

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

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

Joint urban checking, money market, Ag complex accounts approved by Motion: Ediger/ Myers- All in agreement.

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

Checks # 3171 thru 3202, Joint Urban Checks #1830 thru 1833, Ag. Complex Checks # None, and SAM Checks # 191 and #192. All in agreement.

Old Business:

1. Remsburg gave the Ecotone update, an invoice has been received in the amount of \$53,650 dollars for final payment of the Israel Creek Project and Broad Run Stream Restoration Project. A bill has been sent to MDE in the amount of \$54,672 to close out the grant. The total cost of the two projects is 1.49 million dollars including administration fees. Construction is to start this fall.
2. Remsburg gave the Manure Injection Equipment update. An invoice has been submitted for May and June Injection in the amount of \$30,826 dollars. Fifty -six acres was covered in July and so far in August. Gary Grossnickle has 100 plus acres to cover once he gets corn chopped. Dotterer is planning for a prospective buyer and some MAC's Employees to see a Field Demonstration. Remsburg is going to check with other Maryland SCD's and the PA SCD Association to see if any of them are interested and also check with Atlantic Tractor about the sale.
3. Remsburg reported Farm Credit is going to be a sponsor for the 75th Anniversary, their logo will go on one side of the cooler bag. Remsburg sent a picture of an etched glass and a tumbler with the logo between the plastic sides of the tumbler. There was a Motion: Hipkins/ Ediger to go with the etched glass. All in agreement. Remsburg also reported GT Catering will be sending a contract for the appetizers this week.
4. Remsburg handed out and went over the information discussed at the MASCD Summer Meeting. A few Major Topics talked about: Tort Claim Act, WIP goals, CAFOS and District by laws. Remsburg is checking on the Districts by laws. Rakestraw reported the Auction items the District submitted netted \$250 dollars, the value was \$150 dollars. The total auction amounted to \$4,600 dollars.
5. Remsburg reported the Districts computers are in place and in operation.

CURRENT BUSINESS:

1. G. Garst presented 3 Staff request to the Board, one to purchase two hand held GPS units. There was a Motion: Ediger/ Hipkins to approve the purchase. All in agreement. Garst also proposed the purchase of t-shirts for the Staff to help with identification when going onto farms. There was a Motion: Hipkins/Ediger to purchase 2 shirts per employee. All in agreement. Garst asked the Board to help sponsor an Outreach Activity between January and March, possibly Jim Horman a Soil Health Speaker. There was a Motion: Ediger/ Hipkins to support the Sponsorship. All in agreement.
2. Rensburg gave the Staffing update: Bill Rawlings was hired as a MDA Planner and started work here on August 14th.
3. Rensburg presented the MASCD dues: \$2200 dollars plus \$50 dollars for Teacher Award. There was a Motion: Hipkins/ Myers to pay full dues. All in agreement.
4. Rensburg presented an Ag. Exemption request for Scott Hipkins after a little discussion there was a Motion: Ediger/ Troxell to approve the request. All in agreement.
5. Rensburg handed out the Monthly Planner/ Technician Activity Report and his Monthly Report

Communications: Rensburg reported Carroll County SCD is having their 75th Anniversary on September 12th from 11am to 2pm at the New Windsor Firehall. Make your own reservations by September 5th.

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

G. Garst presented Cammaufs Report in his absence.

Committee Report: Info/Ed:

1. Myers reported Frederick County placed eighth in the State Envirothon Competition.

Awards:

1. Rensburg reported the Keilholtz Award will go to Mike Iager and the Cooperator of the Year to Chad McCuller.

Legislative: No Report

Ag. Complex: No Report

Conservation plans: Hipkins/ Troxell-all in agreement.

Cooperating agencies: Extension: M. Morris reported MDE will hold a CAFO Meeting on October 3rd at Keedysville. He also reported on the Soybean count plots and the renewed interest in the Ag. Center.

NEXT MONTHLY MEETING: Date: Tuesday- September 24th , 2018 @ 9:00am

Motion: to Adjourn Hipkins/Myers

Minutes recorded by: Steve Leatherman

