



SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

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*Brianna Rosamilia, Conservation District
 Technician*

Minutes

January 20, 2022
 Virtual Meeting

Attendees:

BOD Members: Jim Dean, Larry Brissing, George Wargo, Bob Milone

Excused Members: Fred Brinn

SWCD Staff: Allan Beers, Nicole Laible, Brianna Rosamilia, Charlotte Ramsey (SWCD/DER Staff: County Attorney)

Meeting opened at 9:36 am

1. In accordance with Assembly Law A8591 open meetings will be conducted remotely (and without in-person access) through the duration of the emergency declaration related to the COVID 19 pandemic.
2. Board member roll call: Jim Dean, Larry Brissing, George Wargo, Bob Milone.
 Staff: Nicole Laible, Allan Beers, Brianna Rosamilia, Charlotte Ramsey
3. Approval of Minutes: November & December Minutes
 - a. November Minutes: **Motion to approve the November meeting minutes made by L. Brissing, G. Wargo seconded – J. Dean abstained, motion carries.**
 - b. December minutes: Not enough board members present to approve the December draft minutes. Board will postpone approval for the next board meeting.
4. Financial Report:
 - a. Approval of Report of the Treasurer – On behalf of the treasurer, Larry Brissing, A. Beers provided the account balances as listed below:

Account	Balance
SWCD checking account	\$434,601.27
Round 12 WQIP Grant (MS4 Mapping)	\$100.00

Round 15 WQIP Grant (MS4 Mapping)	\$683.65
Total	\$435,384.92

Motion to approve the account balances made by G. Wargo, L. Brissing seconded, unanimous.

- b. Approval of Expenses and deposits – On behalf of the treasurer, Larry Brissing, A. Beers provided the following report:

SWCD Checking Account EXPENSES

Date	Check No.	Amount	Payable To	Description
12/16/2021	1196	\$32.59	Brianna Rosamilia	Personal vehicle mileage reimbursement
12/17/2021	Online transfer	\$13,526.58	Round 15 WQIP grant	Transfer of funds
12/21/2021	1198	\$75.60	Nicole Laible	Personal vehicle mileage reimbursement
12/31/2021	Debit	\$141.16	Verizon Wireless	District cell phones – Part A 8730442
1/5/2022	1199	\$250.00	Hudson River Watershed Alliance	2021 Annual sponsorship – stream level – Part C 8730460
1/6/2022	1201	\$400.00	LJF Accounting	Accounting services for December 2021 – professional services Part C
1/14/2022	1200	\$5,500.00	Sparkill Creek Watershed Alliance	Water quality research – Part C 8730460

SWCD Checking Account DEPOSITS

Date	Check No.	Amount	Description
12/15/2021	Interest	\$11.16	Interest earned on the account
12/21/2021		\$3,620.00	Harry Frei trust payment – for trout stocking

Round 12 WQIP Grant Account

No recent activity

Round 15 WQIP Grant Account

Date	Check No.	Amount	Description
12/17/2021	Online transfer from SWCD checking	\$13,526.58	Transfer from SWCD checking account

12/27/2021	1011	\$13,500.00	H2M Architects and engineers – Invoice #216415
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To be deposited:

Refund from HV Regional Envirothon- account was closed out. Check made out to the Rockland Co. SWCD in the amount of \$1,750.00. Check 10443 will be deposited into the general checking account.

Motion to approve the expense and deposits made by G. Wargo, L. Brissing seconded – unanimous.

5. Old Business/ Presentation:
 - a. KRB thank you for MCWA Cleanup – N. Laible provided update on the thank you note KRB sent to the SWCD for our staff and financial support of the MCWA cleanup.
6. New Business:
 - a. 2022 DRAFT Budget – N. Laible reviewed the budget with the board members – ***Motion to accept the 2022 budget as presented made by L. Brissing, G. Wargo – unanimous.***
 - b. Project updates –
 - i. Three year look back – B. Rosamilia provided a summary of a 3 year look back for the environmental education and community science numbers. N. Laible provided a summary on a 3 year lookback on all other SWCD programming and collaborations.
 - ii. COVID PM’s remain the same for 2022 – N. Laible provided an update that Ben Luskin reached out to ask about changing the PMs back to standards prior to COVID. N. Laible let him know it is not feasible right now. This is an issue for other SWCDs in urban areas.
 - c. RPLUS – B Rosamilia provided an update on the start of the Rockland Planning and Land Use Symposium (RPLUS) program. Educators will be going into classrooms or will lead a virtual workshop for classes.
7. Next Meeting Date: 2/10 @ 9:30am- Approval of State Aid Reports & board policies
8. Adjournment: ***Motion to adjourn the meeting made by G. Wargo, B. Milone seconded – unanimous.***

Meeting closed at 10:38 am.

Respectfully submitted by Brianna Rosamilia.