

District Board of Directors Meeting Minutes July 15, 2020

Present: Tim Bontecou, Treasurer; David Koehler, Director; Gregg Pulver; Director; Don Sagliano, Director
Others Present: Brian Scoralick, Oscar Velez-Juarbe

1. Call to order- Treasurer Bontecou called meeting to order at 7:34 pm
2. Public Comments- None
3. Approval of previous month's meeting minutes- A Motion was made by David Koehler to approve the meeting minutes of June 17, 2020. Seconded by Gregg Pulver. Motion Carried.
4. Treasurer's Report- A motion was made by Gregg Pulver to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented. Seconded by Don Sagliano. Motion Carried.
5. Bills- A motion was made by Don Sagliano to pay the District Bills, including June Visa abstract and July Visa abstract, as presented. Dave Koehler seconded. Motion Carried.
6. Correspondence
 - a. MOA between NRCS/NYSSWCC/DCSWCD received signed by all parties
7. Reports
 - a. Executive Director Report – Brian Scoralick reported that Lauren has continued conducting contactless site visits, soil sampling and planning for Part C projects with producers. Update, the Hudson Valley Carbon Farming Pilot program contract has been received, so staff and partners are contacting producers and preparing documents to re-start projects. Staff have been fielding a lot of Ag District Inclusion and the Ag & Farmland Protection Board questions. The NAACC culvert inventory project is continuing with mapping, field inventorying, and database work primarily in Union Vale. Staff and interns also preparing to re-evaluate priority sites in multiple watersheds. The Lower Hudson Coalition of Conservation Districts Annual Stormwater Conference is being planned as a virtual event for this Fall.
 - b. NRCS Report – Oscar stated that the new NRCS Engineer in Highland will be starting in late July. Millbrook Field Office position (Soils Conservationist) is waiting for approval to be advertised.
8. District Business
 - New Business

- a. NYSIF Payment: Motion made by Gregg Pulver to pay the remainder of 2020 balance of the NYSIF premium of \$2481.55. Second by Don Sagliano. Motion approved.
- b. Staff Training: Motion made by Dave Koehler to pay registration fee of \$189 per person for 3 staff to attend online training titled “Managing our Water Assets for a Sustainable Future” webinar series. Second by Gregg Pulver. Motion approved.

6. Next Meeting Date: August 19, 2020 at 7:30 PM (in-person at Farm & Home Center)

7. Adjournment: 7:58 pm

The motion was made by Dave Koehler to adjourn the meeting. Don Sagliano seconded. Motion carried.