

Little Kanawha Conservation District

Board of Supervisors Meeting
September 21, 2017, 10:00 AM
Mill Run Agricultural Service Center, Parkersburg, WV

Minutes

Attending were:

* Supervisors Attending ♦ Supervisors by Conference Call

- Ivan Banks, Ritchie County
- ♦ Norma Collins, Calhoun County
- Roger Collins, Calhoun County
- * Delmas Carr, Wood County
- * Dexter Graham, Wood County
- * Mike Nichols, Ritchie County
- ♦ Sam Sheets, Roane County
- * Roger Shaver, Wirt County
- ♦ Judy Saunders, Roane County
- * Roseann Adams, Wirt County

Others attending:

Jerry Waybright, Wood County Associate Supervisor
Mikayla Hayes, LKCD
Jason Crislip, NRCS
Kaitlyn Murphy, WVCA
Jessica Nichols, WVCA

Call to order & Pledge of Allegiance

Mike Nichols called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. The pledge was led by Roseann Adams and recited by all.

District Business

Minutes of Previous Meeting

Motion to approve minutes of August 8th as presented was made by Sam Sheets and seconded by Roseann Adams. Motion carried. Motion to approve minutes of September 12th as presented was made by Roseann Adams seconded by Roger Shaver. Motion carried.

Approval of Financial Reported Items

- Audit – Engagement letter has been received.
- Investment of Funds – Dexter Graham talked about the information received. He wants to make sure how much the District would be willing to invest and for what length of term. There will need to be some funds used for the debris clean out of North Fork Dam and the other funds could be invested. This will be tabled till a future date.

Approval of Cooperators

- Agreements – None
- Terminations – None

Correspondence – Non-Action Items
Briefly discussed.

Correspondence – Action Items –

- Harrisville Elementary Soil Tunnel Trailer Request – *Motion to approve the full cost including mileage was made by Sam Sheets seconded by Roger Shaver. Discussion on the motion. Motion carried.* Location of trailer was discussed.

Report of Agencies and Others

LKCD Associate Supervisors Report

Will be setting up at Volcano Days today.

Field Staff Report, NRCS, District, Jason Crislip

- FY ending. Contracts allocated 76-1,000,000.00, 4- 34500.00 4- 16575.00 total of 75 new and CSP renewals 10.
- EWP work is ongoing. Two sites in Roane county October 3rd job showings.
- Personnel replacement in Roane county was discussed.
- Greg Kist who used to work in the Parkersburg office is battling lung cancer.

Field Staff Report, LKCD, Mikayla Hayes

- Has started to be busy with soil samples.
- Report was given on 9/12.

Field Staff Report, Forestry, Chuck Copeland
Unable to attend.

Field Staff Report, WVCA
Unable to attend

FSA, Eleanor Porter –
Newsletter received.

WV DNR Report, Jeff McCrady –

- Jason Crislip discussed the bob cat survey.
- Two elk were killed. They have started bugling.
- Dexter Graham stated that J.R Hill is not doing well health wise. He has been long term staff in the District for years.

LK RC&D Report –

- The warehouse is full.

- The veteran gentleman came in but there hasn't been any follow up at this point. Possible selling of lavender. The high tunnel is under contract till the end of the month
- There is discussion of selling all the state ran WVDA farms.

Solid Waste Authority Report
Unable to attend.

WVU Extension – Handling Equipment –

Motion to sponsor in the amount of \$2000 was made by Delmas Carr and seconded by Dexter Graham. Motion carried.

Special Items of Interest

Emergency Watershed Program/Stream Protection & Restoration Program
Nothing new at this time.

North Fork Hughes River Updates & Issues

- O&M Work Bid Update –Job showing had to be cancelled and rescheduled.

Supervisors Expense Forms/Timing –

Motion to change the time frame for turning documentation in from the 3rd of the month to the date of the board meeting was made by Dexter Graham and seconded by Roseann Adams. Motion carried.

Associate Supervisors – Tabled

Banquet –

- Will be held at North Bend State Park and starting at 6 p.m.
- *Motion to accept the menu of bake steak and chicken as a plated meal was made by Roseann Adams and seconded by Roger Shaver. Call for question. Motion carried.*
- *Motion to spend \$200 for decorations by Norma Collins. Seconded by Dexter Graham. Motion carried.*
- Dexter Graham will obtain door prices.

Local, National & State Meeting Report

Envirothon Committee – Nothing at this time.

Grazing Conference Committee –

- Meeting dates have been set and the theme has been picked. They are looking at other locations to hold the event.
- The videos from the last event are online for viewing.

Grassland Committee –

The next meeting will be 10/13. It will be the first one that Norma Collins will be able to attend since being asked. The location of the meeting is in Weston at the Western steer.

Additional Local or State Meetings

Wood County Commission and the District have been in the news as mentioned by Dexter Graham. This was last Wednesday in the paper. Possibly to do with taxes.

Active District Committee Reports

Equipment Committee

- Weed Wiper –
 - Will not purchase a new one at this time.
 - JSC hasn't repaired it at this time. There have been some requests but couldn't rent because it hasn't been repaired.

Ag Enhancement Committee

- Additional Approvals – Norma Collins asked questions about funding above the amount supplied by the State. Delmas Carr stated that we can come up with all the funds if necessary if needed. Discussed the lack of the funds coming from the state. The District doesn't have ways to earn funds as they have in the past. *Motion to approve the additional requests as listed in the AgEP Committee Minutes of 8/17/17 was made by Roger Shaver and seconded by Roseann Adams. Motion carried.*
- Cancellation
 - Roger Casto – Lime – 592.02
Motion to approve cancellation was made by Dexter Graham and seconded by Delmas Carr. Motion carried.

Budget Committee – Nothing at this time.

District Manager, Jessica Nichols –

The Vincent Excavating invoice has not been able to be paid at this time. Mike Nichols talked about the work that was done in Pullman.

WVCA Report, Kim Fisher –

- Unable to attend.
- Listening session will be discussed further at the next meeting.

Closing Activities

Calendar of Events – Board Meeting - October 12th in Parkersburg at 10 a.m.

Banquet 17th – October 17th at North Bend State Park at 6 p.m.

Meeting Adjourned

These minutes respectfully submitted by Norma Collins, LKCD Secretary and Jessica Nichols, Recorder.

Mike Nichols, LKCD Chairman

Norma Collins, LKCD Secretary

Date approved: _____