

**Upper Ohio Conservation District Monthly Meeting Minutes
Middlebourne, WV
July 22, 2017**

Members Present

Allen Rush, Chairman
Wayne McKeever, Treasurer/Secretary
Bill Gellner, Member
Audra Cunningham, Member
Carroll Cumberledge, Member

Others Present

Dustin Adkins, NRCS
Chuck Copeland, Forestry
Jennifer Kile, WVCA
Dave Snively, WVU Extension Service/Tyler County

Members Absent

Ronnie Fletcher, Member

Chairman Rush called the meeting to order with reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Meeting Minutes

McKeever asked that the prices of the equipment that was sold be added to the minutes.

McKeever made the motion to approve the June Board Meeting Minutes with the amendments. Gellner seconded the motion; motion passed.

Financial Reports

Gellner made a motion to accept and file financial reports for Audit. McKeever seconded the motion; motion passed.

Cumberledge made a motion that UOCD bills be paid as funds permit and coordinated by office staff. McKeever seconded the motion; motion passed.

Funding Requests – NONE

Request for Service

Joe McCray – request stream restoration access stream/road repair

Leo Schumacher – requested total cost program work up to \$800.00

Cunningham made a motion to complete work for McCray and Schumacher as crew schedule permits. Cumberledge seconded the motion; motion carried.

Cooperator Conservation Agreements

- Shawnray Huffman – Tyler County

McKeever made a motion to accepted Huffman as a district cooperator. Cunningham seconded. Motion passed

Supervisor Reports

McKeever –attended Quarterly meeting, Legislative committee rep from Capito's office came, Dam rehab a big focus right now. Two poster were state winners and the other one tied but then lost. Wants to try to get the soil trailer for the harvest festival. Envirothon is really needed some other supervisors willing to come help. They are making changes to the Century Farm award by also awarding 150 and 200-year-old farms. State Fair is Aug 10-17, 2017. Conservation Camp number were up from the past. Poster Contest make sure that people know not to glue on stuff. Quarterly meeting is looking for a new location. Farm Tour discussion about moving toward a Leopold conservation style award.

Cunningham –Pleasant Co. 4-H Camp went well no problems, planning has started on the fair.

Rush – Legislative Breakfast will be looking for locally grown foods again, suggested that we provide the Honey from Thistle Dew Farm in Wetzel County and Maple Syrup from Cedar Run Farms in Tyler County.

Cumberledge – None

Fletcher – N/A

Gellner – None

NRCS

Dustin Adkins reviewed the written report on NRCS recent events as attached.

FSA

None

WVCA Report

Supervisors reviewed the attached written report provided by Kim Fisher.

Forestry

Chuck Copeland reviewed the attached report. State Forestry Contest is Sept 14. UOCD District Contest September 7 at the 4-H grounds in Tyler County.

WVU Extension

None

Rush recused himself during AgEP discussion and motion.

AgEP

A motion made by McKeever, seconded by, Gellner to approved AgEP applications for the funding:

Stevie Young	Lime	\$744.74
Diann Wykert	Invasive Species	\$300.00
Doretta Rush	Fence	\$1,250.00
Wesley Hayes	Water System	\$1,300.00
Jon DuMars	Urban Agriculture	\$750.00
Jack Smith	Lime	\$1,500.00
Stevie Young	Invasive Species	\$300.00
Joseph Smith	Fence	\$504.25
Howard Flesher	Water System	\$1,000.00
Lori Cochran	Urban Agriculture	\$110.50
Roy Henriksen	Lime	\$587.50
John Furlong	Invasive Species	\$300.00
Brenda Napier	Fence	\$1,500.00
Robert Nalley	Water System	\$1,500.00
John Furlong	Lime	\$406.25
Lori Cochran	Invasive Species	\$299.23
Donald Seckman	Fence	\$1,500.00
Shane Goddard	Water System	\$1,300.00
Chase Bartrug	Lime	\$1,335.75
Howard Henderson	Fence	\$1,500.00
Patricia Heintzman	Water System	\$700.00
Joseph Smith	Lime	\$995.75
Anthony McDiffitt	Fence	\$1,500.00
William Baker	Lime	\$1,088.50
Hannah Ferrell	Fence	\$1,500.00
Hal Powell	Lime	\$539.75
Edith Smith	Fence	\$1,500.00
James Bagley	Lime	\$800.00
Maranda Huffman	Fence	\$1,500.00
Richard Brightwell	Lime	\$768.75
Larry Casto	Fence	\$1,500.00
Total		\$30,380.25

Supervisor applications sent to WVCA for State Approval are:

Allen Rush	Water System	\$1,400.00
Ronald Fletcher	Fence	\$1,500.00
Total		\$3,000.00

Facebook

Add barrel information.

Fair Exhibit

Discussion was made about the fair exhibits. They will be doing a drawing to give away a rain barrel or compost bin. Winners choice at all three of the fairs.

Long Range Plan and Focused Conservation Approach

Adkins presented the Long Range Plan and FCA. Discussion of the changes that were made.

McKeever made a motion to approve the NRCS Long Range Plan and Focused Conservation Approach. Cunningham seconded the motion; motion carried.

LOR

Gellner made a motion to approve LOR's for FY18 AgEP Funding \$27,000. McKeever seconded the motion; motion carried.

Correspondence

Rush reviewed minor correspondence.

Cumberledge made a motion to adjourn. Gellner seconded the motion; motion passed.

The next Regular Meeting will be August 22, 2017 at the UOCD Office located in Middlebourne starting at 6:00pm.

Minutes submitted by: Jennifer Kile, WVCA

Signature of Chairman

Signature of Secretary

Date

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