

**Upper Ohio Conservation District Monthly Meeting Minutes
Middlebourne, WV
March 28, 2018**

Members Present

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

Others Present

Lauren Hobbs, NRCS
Lori Cochran, WVCA/UOCD District Manager

Absent

Ronald Fletcher, Member

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

Meeting Minutes

Gellner made the motion to approve the January Board Meeting Minutes. McKeever seconded the motion; motion passed.

Financial Reports

Gellner made the motion to file financial reports as presented 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. Cunningham seconded the motion; motion passed.

Funding Requests

Gellner made a motion to pay \$50 to WVCEC for the 2018 Membership dues. Cunningham seconded the motion; motion passed.

Cunningham made a motion to give \$50 to Tyler Rod & Gun Club to for the “Hooked on Fishing, Not on Drugs” day. Gellner seconded the motion; motion carried.

Cumberledge made a motion to pay \$100 to LK RC&D for the 2019 Sponsorship dues. Gellner seconded the motion; motion carried.

Gellner made a motion to forgo donating to WVU Extension and give to the local 4-H at the appropriate time. McKeever seconded the motion; motion carried.

No action was taken on the SCD AgEP Funds request due to having no excess AgEP funds available.

Request for Service

Send letters to approved requests, notifying we have no crew and will not be able to complete the work requested.

Supervisor Reports

McKeever – Attended the CEC meeting. Project Learning Tree funds are still available to get out to teachers. Would like to place SAMARA online for teachers. Allen Miller reported that fewer and fewer youth are attending the Conservation Camps as well as the Forestry Camp. Please promote these in our District. WVCEC donated \$600 to each of the Conservation Camps and \$100 to Forestry Camp. Officer election is in October. Final Envirothon meeting is on April 4 at 5:00. The 2019 Envirothon will be held at Canaan Valley. How to improve and protect Fish Creek meeting May 12. Educate and promote good water habitat. Attended the Farm Bureau Dinner.

Cunningham – Attended the Farm-Her event in Morgantown. Helped with the inventory at the shop. Will have the list completed soon-auctioneers are asking if we have one. Attended the Farm Bureau Dinner. Attended the Woods & Wildlife meeting in Wood Co.

Rush – Attended the NPCD meeting. Matt Poor discussed erosion and fence issues when spraying fence line.

Gellner – Was appointed to sit on the NRCS Youth Conservation Education Committee to go through applications.

Cumberledge – Attended the Farm Bureau Farm Awareness Dinner.

NRCS

Lauren Hobbs reviewed NRCS recent events.

WVCA Report

Kim Fisher provided the attached written report.

Forestry

Attached Report

WVU Extension

AgEP

Gellner made a motion to accept the cancelation of the application of Hannah Ferrell of Fence for \$1500 and cancelation of the Fence application of Larry Casto for \$1500. Cunningham seconded the motion; motion passed.

Internet Updates

Tabled

Local Envirothon Workshop

March 30 at the Wetzel County 4-H Grounds.

Adult Education Workshop

Hoping to set something up with Dow.

Facebook

Advertise Equipment Rates

Land Judging

Land Judging will be held in Pleasants County this year.

CDO Grant Budget

Cumberledge made a motion to approve the FY19 budget as presented. McKeever seconded the motion; motion passed.

Quarterly Meeting Proxy

Cunningham made a motion to send Gellner as proxy for Rush at the April Quarterly Meeting. McKeever seconded the motion; motion passed.

Lawn Care

Cunningham reported she had checked with different Tyler county businesses and they retain someone on payroll to perform lawn care. We will discuss this more at the special meeting to be held April 6 at 10:30am. More research is needed at this time.

Bedder-Layer Rental

Gellner made a motion to rent the Bedder/Layer for a \$40 deposit per day. McKeever seconded the motion; motion passed.

LOR – Audit

Gellner made a motion to submit a LOR for \$1850 for payment of FY17 Audit. McKeever seconded the motion; motion passed.

Correspondence

Cunningham made a motion to adjourn. McKeever seconded the motion; motion passed.

Will have a special meeting on April 6 at 10:30 to discuss lawn care, equipment and employee.

The next Regular Meeting will be April 17, 2018 at the UOCD Office located in Middlebourne starting a 6:00 p.m.

Minutes submitted by: Lori Cochran, District Manager

Signature of Chairman

Signature of Secretary

Date

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