

**Upper Ohio Conservation District Monthly Meeting Minutes
Middlebourne, WV
November 21, 2017**

Members Present

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

Absent

Ronnie Fletcher, Member

Others Present

Lori Cochran, WVCA/UOCD District Manager
Brent Lyons, WV Forestry
Kim Fisher, WVCA Area
Jennifer Kile, WVCA Conservation Specialist

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

Meeting Minutes

Cumberledge made the motion to approve the October Board Meeting Minutes. McKeever 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 –

Cunningham made a motion to donate programs and \$50 to the Tyler County Farm Bureau. Cumberledge seconded the motion; motion passed.

Request for Service

None

Supervisor Reports

McKeever –Attended the Envirothon meeting. Now accepting bids for location for 2019 competition. Working on the fifth topic - Western Range Land.

Cunningham –Attended the Fall Women meeting on the 28th. Women from six counties were present.

Rush – Looked into purchase of hiller for landowner rental.

Cumberledge – delivered several items to Hundred for flood relief from RC & D.

Gellner –RC & D Meeting 29th at the warehouse.

NRCS

None

FSA

None

WVCA Report

Kim Fisher reviewed the written report as attached. District needs to review policies, plan of work and audit contract to make sure they are current. Review SSRP for feedback.

Forestry

Chuck Copeland provided the attached report.

Brent Lyons reported they have returned to inspecting logging jobs. Not as much as before, but are inspecting some locations. He will no longer be covering counties in our District. Sean Kuhn will be replacing him in the area.

WVU Extension

None

Conservation Agreements

None

AgEP

Gellner made a motion to amend October minutes to reflect authorization to visit sites and review AgEP completed practices. McKeever seconded the motion; motion passed.

AgEP Review

Gellner reported they had reviewed ten files from FY17. Visited five properties and found the bare minimum had been met for the files. Recommends that every file be reviewed prior to payment and maps with the location and photos of completed practice be placed in the file. Notes should be kept every time anything is done for the practice.

Chairperson appointed an AgEP Committee. Members are Gellner, McKeever and Cunningham. Committee should review files of newly completed practices prior to board meetings.

Gellner made a motion take the following action on AgEP payments. Cunningham seconded the motion; motion passed.

Approve	Jon DuMars	Urban Ag	\$750.00
Canceled	John Furlong	Lime	\$402.25

Facebook

Add Recognition/Legislative/Christmas Dinner

Legislative/Recognition/Christmas Dinner

Award \$50 Ace Hardware gift cards to farm winners.

Raised Bed – Hiller

Audit

None

Community Garden Project

Remaining project funds are available for use if we find someone interested in doing a project.

Rain Barrel Workshop

No action taken. Would like to get with Dustin to see when he can fit this in his schedule.

Correspondence

Rush reviewed minor correspondence.

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

The next Regular Meeting will be December 19, 2017 at the UOCD Office located in Middlebourne starting at 1:00pm.

Minutes submitted by: Lori Cochran, District Manager

Signature of Chairman

Signature of Secretary

Date

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