

Southern Conservation District
Special Board Meeting Minutes
October 30th, 2023
10:00 AM

The Southern Conservation District Board met for a Special Board Meeting called to address district business at their conference room location 463 Ragland Rd Beckley, WV 25801.

Those present:

Members of the Board

Ron Testerman, Ed Hendrick, Curtis Murphy, Bill Harris, Randy Prince, Fred Halsey, Alvin Marchant

SCD Office Staff, Dave Parkulo SCD, Braden Snyder WVCA, Marty Walker-Owen, WVCA
Jeremy Salyer, WVCA (via teleconference)

Due to absence of Chairman Randall Patton, Vice Chairman Bill Harris opened the meeting today and will serve the role of acting Chairperson of the meeting.

District Business

1.) Discussion on Supervisor Travel Per Diem (statewide) and current SCD Travel Policy

Bill Harris opened the discussion relative to the current statewide discussion of supervisor travel per diem rate increase.

A discussion was held amongst members of the board in review of the travel per diem rate increase.

Ed Hendrick moved to keep the SCD Travel and Per Diem Policy as current documented and in place until further recommendations or direction is made from WVCA/WVACD, Fred Halsey seconded, motion carried.

2.) Address Negative Balance in Interest Bearing Account (\$21,339.23)

A discussion was held amongst staff and members of the board in relation to the funds reflecting a negative balance.

Marty Walker-Owen noted to the board as confirmation that the balance is negative due to the time of transfer of funds overlapping the reporting at that time. The funds were transferred (by the district) utilizing a previous report total not a current one at the time of transfer therefore not accounting for the state invoices that were paid, leaving the account overdrawn.

A discussion was held to determine in what order to justify the account.

Curtis Murphy moved to pay the negative balance owed to the Cranberry Creek Account from the OM restricted account, Ed Hendrick seconded, motion carried.

Ed Hendrick moved to cash out the CD #9922 in the amount of \$217,616.33 to be deposited into the OM restricted account and to pay the penalty if one is accrued in order to move forward with SCD work when state and local sponsor funds are not available, Curtis Murphy seconded, Randy Prince opposed all others in favor, motion carried.

3.) Approve LOR for 319 Funds

Curtis Murphy moved to approve the LOR, Ron Testerman seconded, motion carried.

Ed Hendrick moved to adjourn the meeting, Ron Testerman seconded, motion carried.

11:15 AM

Respectfully submitted:

Marty R. Walker-Owen

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Fred Halsey, Secretary

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Randall Patton, Chairman

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