# Southern Conservation District

## Board Meeting Approved Minutes March 13, 2025 10:00 AM

The Southern Conservation District Board of Supervisors met on Thursday, March 13, 2025, at 10:00 am in the conference room of the district office located at: 463 Ragland Road Beckley, WV 25801.

## Those in attendance:

## **Supervisors**

Randall Patton, Chairman Ron Testerman Steve Johnson Bill Harris Randy Prince Ed Hendrick Curtis Murphy John Ferrell

#### Others

Katy McBride, NRCS Dave Parkulo, SCD Jeremy Salyer, WVCA Morgan Dial, WVCA Jesus Nandi, WVCA Angela Feamster-Sawyers, WVCA

Open & Welcome

SCD Chair, Randall Patton

Prayer & Pledge

## Southern Conservation District Operations & Business

Steven Johnson moved to approve the minutes of the February 13, 2025, regular board meeting. Randy Prince seconded; motion carried.

Bill Harris moved to approve the minutes of the February 25, 2025, Special Board / Committee meeting. Randy Prince seconded; motion carried.

Administrative Specialist Report/Updates

Angela Feamster- Sawyers

Angela provided status updates on the WVDA Pasture Renovation Program.

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Bill Harris moved to approve the first round of payments for applicants participating in the WVDA Pasture Renovation Program, totaling \$299,530.00. Curtis Murphy seconded; motion carried.

Steven Johnson moved to approve the following LOR:

LOR ID: 16287

Purpose: WVDA Pasture Renovation #2

Amount: \$10,355.20

AGR: 1502-00; 1502-SCD Randy Prince seconded; motion carried.

## Review/Approval of February District Financial Reports

District Operating Account
District Building Account
Supervisor Travel & Per Diem Account
CDO Account
District Reserve Account

Bill Harris moved to approve the district financial reports as presented. Randy Prince seconded; motion carried.

Review/Approval of Accounts Receivable/Aging Summary SCD/Dave Parkulo Randy Prince moved to approve the aging summary as presented. Steven Johnson seconded; motion carried.

<u>Review/Approval of Co-administered WVCA Financial reports</u> Angela Feamster-Sawyers Bill Harris moved to table the approval of the co-administered financial reports until the next board meeting. Ron Testerman seconded; motion carried.

## Conservation Technician Supervisor Report

Dave Parkulo, SCD

Dave Parkulo discussed district work and project updates. He informed the board about the current status of the excavator, which had sustained significant damage as a result of high water. In addition, he reported that he had prepared estimates for dam and creek channel mowing.

#### Conservation Specialist Report

Morgan Dial, WVCA

Morgan Dial answered the board of supervisors' questions about the AgEP Agreement for Fiscal Year 2026. In addition, she reviewed the highlights of her report, which is attached.

## Reported Action Between Board Meetings:

- o Acting with delegated authority, Curis Murphy approved payment for Luther Bennett's frost seeding in the amount of \$500.00 (2/24/25).
- o Acting with delegated authority, Curtis Murphy approved payment for Ron Testerman's frost seeding in the amount of \$500.00 (2/24/25).

## **Payment Approvals:**

Bill Harris moved to approve the following payment: <u>Lime</u> Rosita Maley, for the amount of \$165.00.

John Ferrell seconded: motion carried.

## WVCA, NRCS & SCD Updates/Approvals

## District Conservationist

Katy McBride, NRCS

Katie McBride reviewed the highlights of her report, which is attached.

Watershed Manager South Report

Jacob Lavender, WVCA

#### Area Operations Manager Report

Jeremy Salyer, WVCA

Jeremy Salyer noted that the district's Personnel Plan and proposed CDO budgets are due. He added that if the district is participating in the Farm Tour, he needs that information by June 15th, 2025.

#### Supervisor Reports/Approvals

- Sponsorship of WV Farm Bureau Mobile AG Lab for Daniels Elementary

  Ed Hendrick moved to sponsor \$1,000.00 for the WV Farm Bureau Mobile AG Lab for

  Daniels Elementary. Bill Harris seconded; motion carried.
- Contributions to the 2025 Flood

Bill Harris moved to donate up to \$10,000 in staff time and equipment to help with flood recovery in McDowell County. Ed Hendrick seconded; motion carried.

Ed Hendrick moved to reappoint Teresa Blackmon to the Wyoming County Solid Waste Authority for a 4-year term expiring June 30, 2028. Ron Testerman seconded; motion carried.

#### Public comment

Bill Harris updated on Brush Creek 14 and 15 dam rehabilitation, as well as Ag Day at the Capitol.

Ed Hendrick moved to adjourn the meeting. Steve Johnson seconded; all in favor, meeting adjourned at 11:56am.

Respectfully submitted,

Randall Patton, SCD Chairman

Ed Hendrick, SCD Secretary

RP/FH/as

Recorded by: Angela Feamster-Sawyers, Administrative Specialist

Closing Remarks & Meeting Reminders:

Committee Meetings – March 25, 2025 @ 10:00am