

Tygarts Valley Conservation District Board of Supervisors AgEP Committee Meeting Minutes

December 18, 2025, 9:00 AM, TVCD Office in Philippi, WV & via TEAMS

Supervisors Present (all via TEAMS): James Dean (Committee Chair), Tim Cunningham, Delbert Vandevander (standing in for Jim Nester)

WVCA Partners Present: Ben Heavner, Amber Higgins; (TEAMS) Don Whetzel, Erin Coda

Committee Chair Dean called the meeting to order at 9:05 AM.

Motion by Cunningham, seconded by Dean, to approve Agenda as presented; Motion carried.

Funding Update: Heavner reported that an additional \$26,205 in WVDA drought funds has been deposited. After the previously waitlisted payments have been made, \$8,559 will remain. There are still 18 approved applicants that, by the original 10/27/25 deadline, have yet to submit receipts for cost share.

Motion by Cunningham to (1) approve drought exigency payments for those previously waitlisted below who'd submitted receipts by the original 10/27/25 deadline, (2) send letters to the remaining 18 applicants whose applications had been approved but hadn't submitted receipts, and (3) set Friday, 1/30/26 as extended final deadline for receipts. Second by Vandevander. Motion carried.

Name	Practice(s)	Payment	Name	Practice(s)	Payment
Rosa Shaver	Watering System	\$ 219.98	Tim Sheldon	Revegetation	\$ 424.47
Wilda Lynch	Temp Fence	\$ 500.00	Barbara Wolfe	Temp Fence	\$ 76.90
Gary Elbon	Revegetation	\$ 100.70	Stanley Wolfe	Watering System	\$ 164.49
Gary Elbon	Temp Fence	\$ 500.00	Stanley Wolfe	Revegetation	\$ 171.48
Garry Walton	Watering System	\$ 500.00	Rex Reed	Revegetation	\$ 73.00
Stephen Winslow	Temp Fence	\$ 500.00	Rex Reed	Watering System	\$ 56.41
John S Winslow	Cover Crops	\$ 498.98	Martin Carpenter	Revegetation	\$ 279.98
John S Winslow	Temp Fence	\$ 500.00	Martin Carpenter	Temp Fence	\$ 500.00
Kevin Leyh	Temp Fence	\$ 500.00	Robert DeLaney	Temp Fence	\$ 169.99
William Mark Harris	Watering System	\$ 282.73	Robert DeLaney	Revegetation	\$ 176.22
Diana Coleman	Watering System	\$ 299.08	Charles E Ward Jr	Watering System	\$ 319.49
Ray Freeman	Temp Fence	\$ 500.00	Kevin Phillips	Revegetation	\$ 266.89
Mitchell Stemler	Cover Crops	\$ 424.90	Kevin Phillips	Temp Fence	\$ 425.89
Frank Turamsky	Temp Fence	\$ 500.00	Matthew Poling	Irrigation	\$ 287.49
Mary Poling	Temp Fence	\$ 378.94	Matthew Poling	Watering System	\$ 110.77
Joe Freeman	Revegetation	\$ 233.99	Matthew Poling	Revegetation	\$ 199.17
Todd Payne	Temp Fence	\$ 500.00	Michael Cvechko	Temp Fence	\$ 28.45
Todd Payne	Watering System	\$ 423.18	Michael Cvechko	Revegetation	\$ 485.97
James Eifert	Temp Fence	\$ 214.74	John Osburn	Revegetation	\$ 288.75
Alicia Duckworth	Watering System	\$ 111.89	John Osburn	Temp Fence	\$ 154.38
Gloria Wentz	Watering System	\$ 500.00	Mary Wolfe	Cover Crops	\$ 279.94
Glen Auvil	Watering System	\$ 433.73	Mary Wolfe	Watering System	\$ 187.00
Jeremy Lach	Watering System	\$ 268.42	Mary Wolfe	Temp Fence	\$ 500.00
Johnny Swecker	Watering System	\$ 32.50	Basil Wolfe	Watering System	\$ 500.00
Thomas Price	Temp Fence	\$ 145.27	Basil Wolfe	Temp Fence	\$ 500.00
Steve Nester	Temp Fence	\$ 245.50	Sickler Jeff & Lisa	Revegetation	\$ 500.00
Richard Marteny	Watering System	\$ 89.48	Sickler Jeff & Lisa	Cover Crops	\$ 500.00
Richard Marteny	Temp Fence	\$ 216.35			
Patrick Pharis	Temp Fence	\$ 252.16			
Patrick Pharis	Revegetation	\$ 146.45			

Motion by Vandevander to approve six AgEP payments as listed below. Second by Cunningham. Motion carried.

- Chris Shrader (Lime) \$115.29
- Glade Run Homestead (Lime) \$800.00
- Donnie Tenney (Pollinator Habitat) \$250.00*
- Circle W Farms (Heavy Use Area Protection) \$1500.00
- Richard Boice (Heavy Use Area Protection) \$1500.00
- Richard Boice (Watering System) \$3,000.00

(*Cost share payment for TVCD supervisor Donnie Tenney was approved by WVCA District Operations Manager Don Whetzel.)

Appalachian Grazing Conference format and cost discussed; scholarships may be considered. Item added to next agenda.

Motion to adjourn made by Cunningham, seconded by Vandevander. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:20 a.m.

Minutes compiled and prepared by Amber Higgins, WVCA Administrative Specialist.