

HARFORD SOIL CONSERVATION DISTRICT – Board of Supervisors Meeting Minutes – 5/11/17

NEXT MEETING: Wednesday, June 7 @ 7:00 pm

Board Members Present: Lee McDaniel, Frank Richardson, Rick Holloway, and Dave Doran

Agency Personnel: Bill Tharpe, Leslie Zink, Brian Galbreath, Patrick Jones, Tim Clippinger (NRCS), and Andy Archer Kness (Extension)

1. Meeting called to order at **8:03 am**.
2. Agenda approved.
3. There were no public comments.
 - a. David Doran has been officially sworn in as a member of the Harford SCD Board of Supervisors. Dave was welcomed and told us a little bit about himself.
4. Minutes of meeting from April 13 were reviewed and approved with two amendments to Old Business, 1a and 1d.
5. Treasurer's report for April was filed as presented.
 - a. Bill explained how the Treasurers Report is formatted and the information it contains.
 - b. Motion to acquire a 2nd credit card from First National Bank Omaha for Frank – **Approved**.

Correspondence:

1. Received an invitation to Caroline SCD's Annual Cooperators Picnic on June 7th.
2. Prince Georges SCD sent a copy of their 2016 Annual Report.
3. Maryland 4-H sent a donation request for their "Congress" event.
4. MDA sent copies of letters notifying the remaining two nominees of David Doran's appointment to the Harford SCD Board.
5. Discussion of inter-agency reports dominated the State Soil Conservation Committee (SSCC) meeting.
6. The University of MD Soil Judging team sent a thank you for our donation.
7. Received a donation request from the Walkersville High School Land Evaluation team.

Old Business:

1. **DC Report** – (see attached report) **HIGHLIGHTS:**
 - a. The Rigdon and Rutledge projects are wrapping up.
 - b. Tim indicated that Rob McAfee may be his temporary replacement after May 31st.
 - c. Patrick explained his portion of the DC Report.
2. **DM Report** – (see attached report) **HIGHLIGHTS:**
 - a. MDA employee, Travis Gorleski, has worked from our office for the past three weeks reviewing older BMP's to confirm that they are still functioning for the Bay goals.
 - b. Our new Technician, Jeremy Carnucci, starts on Monday, May 22nd.
 - c. Additional monies requested for the Envirothon in 2016 were kept in the new budget.
 - d. Outdoor signage has been finalized with Ecotone for the Grant projects.
3. **Conservation Tracker** – (see attached report)
4. **Grant Programs Update** –
 - a. FY16 will be closed out by the end of May.
 - b. The Stautberg project will be the largest, single project that we've done and will take all Summer to complete.
 - c. The Moxley project will also begin this Summer.
5. **Extension Report** – Nothing to report this month.
6. **Nutrient Trading Pilot Program** –
 - a. Lindsay Thompson was confused by the push from MDA since the Handbook/Manual has not been approved yet.
 - b. Recommendation made that the Board needs more information before deciding to continue.
7. **Annual Plan** – No discussion. Add to June Agenda.
8. **MACS Update** –
 - a. All Capital Projects will require Nutrient Management Plan verification of compliance.
 - b. Recommendation made to add this item to the Summer meeting agenda.
9. **Harford Co. Celebration of Agriculture** –
 - a. Recommendation made to stay in the partnership for one more year and separate for our 75th event in 2019.
 - b. Bill to discuss with Bill Amoss and Jason Gallion at the next Ag Advisory meeting.

10. Coloring Contest –

- a. This was our first time participating in the contest.
- b. We received over 80 entries from six local, private schools.

New Business:

1. Other

- a. Motion to transfer Dan Magness to Board Associate – ***Approved.***
- b. Lee shared photos of an appliance that was discarded in Deer Creek on his property.
 - i. Idea discussed to approach BGE, DPW, Delmarva Power, and Deer Creek Watershed Association to establish a partnership to clean up this type of debris from Creeks.
 - ii. This would be good P.R. for the District.
 - iii. Lee to schedule a meeting with Billy Boniface to discuss.
- c. Board agreed that it would be OK for the District to pay for Bill to stay overnight at the MASCD Summer meeting in Ellicott City, MD.
- d. Reminder that the Cover Crop Workshop will take place on the morning of June 1st in the Extension office classroom.

Meeting adjourned at 10:44 am.