



Armstrong Conservation District

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MAY 2016 MINUTES

The Armstrong Conservation District Board of Directors held their monthly meeting at the Armsdale Administration Building, 124 Armsdale Road, Suite 103, Kittanning, PA 16201 on Wednesday, May 18, 2016.

Chairman Spurgeon Shilling called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Directors present: Michelle Hickman, DeJay Claypoole, Jerry Longwell, and Andrew Kimmel; Associate Director Ben Kimmel; District Manager, Dave Rupert, NRCS Management Assistant Sharon Cockroft.

Public Comment on Agenda Items – None

Jerry Longwell moved, seconded by DeJay Claypoole to approve the minutes of April 20, 2016 as presented. Motion carried.

The Treasurer reported a balance of \$162,911.56. Andrew Kimmel moved, seconded by DeJay Claypoole to approve the Treasurer's Report subject to audit. Motion carried.

Needed Supplies / Outstanding Bills – Andrew Kimmel moved, seconded by DeJay Claypoole to purchase needed supplies on one condition, that the \$100 requested under outstanding bills will be identified if it is a formal request of the staff, if it is an error, it will be explained at the June meeting. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

PENNVEST Project Update / Status– District Manager Dave Rupert provided an update and status of the construction at the two sites in Manor Township.

Envirothon Results / State Competition – District Manager Dave Rupert reported on the Envirothon results with the West Shamokin Hydrofights taking first place. They will be competing at the State competition in the next week or so.

Hulings Run AMD Project Update – District Manager Dave Rupert provided the Board with an update on the Hulings Run Growing Greener Grant. The timber will be removed later this year and the site designed and permitted. Then construction will probably take place in 2017.

NEW BUSINESS

Colcom Foundation Grant – Jerry Longwell moved and DeJay Claypoole seconded the acceptance of the Colcom Foundation Grant in the amount of \$105,000 for the Mobile Environmental Display (Grant ID # 20014840). Motion carried.

Vehicle Purchase – Andrew Kimmel moved, seconded by Michelle Hickman to purchase a 2016 4WD GMC Yukon from Walker Motors through the Co Stars Program in the amount of \$45,850.00. Motion carried.

Garrett's Run AG BMP GG Grant – Jerry Longwell moved, seconded by Andrew Kimmel to accept the Garrett's Run BMP Growing Greener Grant (SW150166) from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in the amount of \$245,000. Motion carried.

PA American Water Grant – Michelle Hickman moved, seconded by DeJay Claypoole to accept the PA American Water Grant in the amount of \$3,500 for the conservation geo-trail. Motion carried.

OTHER BUSINESS - None

CORRESPONDENCE – All correspondence received was passed around for review by the Board. No action was taken on any correspondence.

AGENCY REPORTS – The following agencies / staff provided agency activity reports: G Smith D&G, J Schaub ACT/NM Tech, Watershed Specialist Julie Zeyzus, and NRCS Management Assistant Sharon Cockroft. NRCS Management Assistant Sharon Cockroft reported that interviews for the Supervisory District Conservationist (SDC) position began this week and she hoped that the position would be filled before the next Board meeting.

COOPERATOR AGREEMENTS - None

The following **Erosion and Sediment Control Plans** were submitted to the District Board for approval / disapproval:

	<u>Name</u>	<u>Twp.</u>	<u>Rev. By</u>	<u>Status</u>
4/25/2016	Northpointe Entrance Project	South Buffalo	DRR	A
4/25/2016	Butler - Freeport Trail	South Buffalo	DRR	A
4/25/2016	MTJMA Waste Area	Manor	DRR	A
4/25/2016	Leechburg Sewer System / review	Leechburg Boro	DRR	A
5/9/2016	Sheetz 101R - Ford City / NOT	Manor	JS	A
5/3/2016	PLS 652 Repair	Mahoning	DRR	A
5/9/2016	White Rock Road Relocation	South Buffalo	DRR	C
5/12/2016	Plenary Walsh Keystone	Burrell	DRR	D

The E&S plans were presented for review and approval by the Board. Andrew Kimmel moved and Jerry Longwell seconded the approval of the E&S plans as their status indicates. Motion carried.

NUTRIENT MANAGEMENT PLAN – None

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD - None

At 7:30 pm the Board moved into and Executive Session for personnel matters. At 7:40 pm they returned from Executive Session.

At 7:43 pm Andrew Kimmel moved, and DeJay Claypoole seconded the motion, and hearing no objection, the meeting was adjourned.

The next scheduled Board meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, June 15, 2016 at 7:00 pm at the Armsdale Administration Building in Conference Room #103.

Respectfully submitted,

David R Rupert
*District Manager of the
Armstrong Conservation District*