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Sullivan County Soil & Water Conservation District
Board of Directors Meeting
September 11, 2023

Minutes

- I. Call to Order:** Vice-Chairman Kaplan called the regular business meeting of the Sullivan County Soil & Water Conservation District Board of Directors to order at 6:00 p.m.

Board members present – Robert Kaplan, Vice Chairman Nadia Rajszyk, Legislator
 Eugene Benson, Treasurer John Diehl, Farmer

Board members absent – Wilfred Hughson, Chairman George Conklin, Legislator
 Justin Sutherland, Farmer

Agency representatives: – Brian Brustman, SWCD Lisa Schick, SWCD

- II. MINUTES:** N. Rajszyk made a motion to accept the minutes from the August 14, 2023, Board meeting, J. Diehl seconded, no one opposed, the motion was passed and carried.

III. WRITTEN & VERBAL REPORTS:

NRCS: No report was sent.

FSA: No report was sent.

CCE: See written report.

NYS SWCC: See written report.

NEVERSINK/RONDOUT: See written report.

- RNSP is partnering with DEP, CCE, DEC on a federal grant for the Treatment of Hemlock Woolly Adelgid. The proposal is due in November.
- The Denning Road Culvert project was put out to bid and Kingston Equipment (Baker Bros.) won bid at \$514,000. Working on contract and timeline. Project is slated to start in 2024. N. Rajszyk made a motion to accept the bid, J. Diehl seconded, no one opposed, motion was passed and carried.
- H. Springston has accepted a position with NYC DEP. She has a tentative leaving date of March 2024. NRSP would like to hire a couple interns next year to cover her position.

IV. OLD BUSINESS:

- A. Program Updates: Fish program is doing well. Order deadline is September 18th, distribution is September 30th.
- B. 2022 District Audit: The adjust journal entries were received and auditors and Districts financial reports match. J. Diehl made a motion to accept the 2022 audit report, N. Rajsz seconded, no one opposed, the motion was passed and carried.
- C. Technical Position:
 - County Personnel Dept stated there is no available list.
 - Ad was sent to Sullivan County Democrat for posting to the next two Friday papers.
 - All resumes must be received by October 30th, for interviews in November.

V. NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Bank Statements: The bank statements were reviewed.
- B. Director Training: Directors present had a training on Module 8 (NYS Aid to District).
- C. The October Board meeting is scheduled for the 9th, which is on Columbus Day. N. Rajsz made a motion to cancel the October board meeting, E. Benson seconded, no one opposed, the motion was passed and carried.

VI. DISTRICT CLAIMS: J. Diehl made a motion to approve abstracts, bills and pre-approvals, seconded by N. Rajsz, no one opposed, the motion was passed and carried.

2023 – 8B	\$ 151,598.22
2023 – 9A	\$ 33,375.25

Bills presented to the Board for pre-approval: Total - \$ 101,163.47 - See breakdown sheet.

VII. TREASURER REPORT: The Profit and Loss and the Balance Sheet were reviewed. N. Rajsz made a motion to approve the reports, J. Diehl seconded, no one opposed, the motion was passed and carried.

VIII. NEXT MEETING: The next meeting will be held on Monday, November 13, 2023, at 6:00 p.m.

X. ADJOURNMENT: Adjourned at 6:30 p.m. - Motion by N. Rajsz

Lisa Schick,
Secretary to Treasurer

Robert Kaplan,
Vice-Chairman