

**WOOD SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
1616 EAST WOOSTER STREET, SUITE 32
BOWLING GREEN, OH 43402**

**REGULAR BOARD MEETING
July 19, 2019**

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 AM by Chairman, Ron Snyder.

ATTENDANCE

Board of Supervisors

Ron Snyder, Chairman – Present
Lee Sundermeier, Vice-Chairman– Present
Kris Swartz, Fiscal Agent – Present
Bernard Scott, Secretary–Present
Dennis Ferrell, Member-Present

NRCS Staff

Becky Duncan – Absent
Kelly Copeland – Absent
Chris Corgan - Absent
Cheryl Rice - Absent

SWCD Staff

Jim Carter – Present
Nicki Kale – Present
Jeremy Gerwin – Present
Beth Landers – Present
Julie Lause - Present
Abby Wensink – Absent
Meagan Grammer – Present

Bernie moved to approve the agenda. Lee seconded. Motion carried. ODA Updates and Pollution Report was shared. Staff calendar was reviewed.

Dennis moved to file the regular meeting minutes. Lee seconded. Motion carried.

The June treasurer's report was reviewed. The following balances were presented as of June 30, 2019. District Checking account \$75,285.64, District STAR Ohio \$219,065.04, Special Fund \$279,600.68 and Ditch Account \$150,248.14. Lee moved to file the June treasurer's report. Bernie seconded. Motion carried.

Nicki reported that the prevent plant cover crop program funds from the commissioners will be held until the 2020 appropriations.

Nicki reported that six districts requested disbursement of funds for the SB 299 payments. The Working Lands Buffer program disbursement is for the full five years and includes the technical assistance dollars. Each district is responsible for maintaining the producer payment records. Dennis moved to disburse the SB 299 funds to the requesting districts. Bernie seconded. Motion carried.

Nicki reported that the 2020 revised budget was submitted to the commissioners with the addition of the \$40,000 prevent plant cover crop program funds.

Jim reported that the district is collecting on ditch projects but no projects are under construction.

Jim reported that with the unusual weather this spring, the changes to the planned district soybean interseeding program need to be made. Dennis moved to abandon the soybean interseeding program and add the \$26,560 of the SB 299 funds to the district prevent plant cover crop program.

Jeremy presented 17 Working Lands Small Grains agreements and two Working Lands Hay Buffer agreements for signature. Lee move to approve signatures. Bernie seconded. Motion carried.

Jeremy reported that he has been doing survey work. There is little construction on manure storage buildings.

Julie reported for Abby that she has had interest in Read a Book Day on September 6. As a continued promotion of Ag Venture for 2022, Abby would like to purchase the Farm Bureau book "Right this very minute" for each of the

classrooms choosing to participate. Dennis moved to approve up to \$500 from the Ag Venture account for books. Lee seconded. Motion carried.

Julie reported for Abby that 3,239.4 acres have signed agreements for the district prevent plant cover crop program. 2,473 acres are pending.

Julie requested a review and approval for the 2019 annual meeting comp ticket list with the addition of two tickets per Ag Venture stop host and the Wood County game warden. Lee moved to approved. Kris seconded. Motion carried.

Julie presented the 2019 fair programs and schedule.

Julie received a request for grass haying on a current CREP agreement. The CRP has expired, however, there are three years remaining on the CREP. Dennis approved the haying for 2019 using the WLB guidelines. Bernie seconded. Motion carried.

Beth requested a signature on the audit statement for Ohio EPA.

Beth requested approval for the extension of the Beaver Tontogany grant and payment for completed contract. Kris moved to approve. Bernie seconded. Motion carried.

Meagan reviewed activity report. (attached) She's been working with producers to prevent manure spills.

Kris reported that the state budget and the H2Ohio passed.

Dennis moved to approve the bills to be paid, sign the minutes, and the financial report. Kris seconded. Motion carried.

The next regular board meeting will be Friday, August 16, 2019 at 8:00 AM. Ron will not be in attendance.

Nicki reported that a noxious weed complaint was called in regarding the thistle on the BGSU golf course and driving range. She is working to find who is responsible for the enforcement.

Ron moved to go into Executive Session at 9:09 AM regarding personnel reviews. Bernie seconded. Motion carried. Roll call was taken: Kris – yes, Dennis – yes, Bernie – yes, Ron – yes.

Ron called the meeting back to order at 9:35 AM. No action taken.

Being no further business, Dennis moved to adjourn the meeting. Kris seconded. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:38 AM.

Respectfully submitted by Julie Lause, _____.

Ron Snyder, Chairman

Bernie Scott, Secretary