

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

**REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
September 20, 2019**

The meeting was called to order at 8:02 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 – Present  
Kelly Copeland – Present  
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 – Present  
Meagan Grammer – Present

**Guest**

Dylan Baer – Newly Elected Supervisor

Lee moved to approve the agenda. Dennis seconded. Motion carried. The ODA Updates handout was shared. Staff calendar was reviewed.

Kris moved to file the Annual Banquet and Election meeting minutes. Dennis seconded. Motion carried.

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

The August treasurer's report was reviewed. The following balances were presented as of August 31, 2019. District Checking account \$70,578.14, District STAR Ohio \$219,937.48, Special Fund \$276,269.00 and Ditch Account \$165,076.11. Kris requested a break out of the WLEB funds be part of the report. Bernie moved to file the August treasurer's report. Dennis seconded. Motion carried.

Nicki requested a signature on the WLEB Sandusky and Wood SWCDs MOU. Dennis moved to accept the MOU. Kris seconded. Motion carried.

Nicki requested a signature on the completed appropriations request. There were no changes made to the July report. It was noted that the Prevent Plant Cover Crop program funds from the BCC are not matchable.

Nicki requested that the district donate her old laptop to her church. Lee moved to approve the donation. Kris seconded. Motion carried.

Jim reported that the Custar Rd. ditch project has started. Carter Rd. ditch will be completed within a week. Collection has begun on three potential ditch cleaning projects.

Becky reviewed the activity handout (attached).

Jeremy reported that he has one WLEB buffer agreement for approval. Kris moved to approve the agreement. Lee seconded. Motion carried.

Jeremy reported that he is reviewing the documents received for the WLEB small grains agreements.

Jeremy reported that he is working on the plans for a manure storage building.

Julie commented that she appreciated the convenience of Nazareth Hall as a venue for the annual banquet and election. With the Township Association meeting in the same building, it was convenient for the elected officials to make an appearance.

Julie reported that 524 flats of forbs were sold in assisting 123 producers with CRP mid contract management requirements. Bostdorff Greenhouse Acres appreciated the organization of the sale. They are willing to partner with the district in future programs.

Julie received a request for a partial CREP Reimbursement to reduce the size of the current CREP filter strip. Dennis moved to accept the CREP acre change. Kris seconded. Motion carried.

Beth requested approval to reapply for the Project BASIN BGSU. She noted that this is a good way to get local Edge of Field data. However, details are needed on confidentiality. Kris moved to participate in the grant proposal. Dennis seconded. Motion carried.

Beth reported that she is gathering the information for the AFT WNOL grant requirements.

Beth reported that she is working on the Packer NPSIS update.

Beth reported that the Wood County Engineer's storm water department is working with the district on outreach and education. Agriculture is exempt from storm water regulation. EPA creates the rules.

Abby reviewed the Prevent Plant Cover Crop requirements for producers. With the weather not cooperating, producers were unable to seed cover crops by the September 3 deadline. Dennis moved to approve revising the September 3 deadline to November 1 with rye 30 lbs/acre. Bernie seconded. Kris abstained. Motion carried.

Abby reported that she has had suggestions on putting cover crop signs out in the PPCC acres. Dennis moved to approve up to \$500 for signage. Kris seconded. Motion carried.

Abby reported that there are multiple winter meetings to choose from for CAP attendees. Kansas, No-Till Conference, Great Lake Crops Summit (Mt. Pleasant, MI). Three staff and supervisors would like to attend the meeting in Kansas. Dennis moved to approve lodging and transportation for three people. Lee seconded. Motion carried.

Abby reported that multi-county winter cover crops meetings are in the planning stages.

Meagan reported that she responded to two manure complaints. She is helping producers with SB 299 agreements, NMPs, and attended TDP training.

Meagan reported that she has temporarily assumed the administrative duties at Sandusky SWCD while Sandy is out on leave. Next week is the 4<sup>th</sup> grade Exploring Your Backyard in Sandusky county.

Kris reported that the Soil Your Undies materials from the district were on display at FSR.

Kris reported that the H2Ohio rollout may be September 27.

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

The next regular board meeting will be Friday, October 18, 2019 at 8:00 AM.

Being no further business, Kris moved to adjourn the meeting. Bernie seconded. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:20 AM.

Respectfully submitted by Julie Lause, \_\_\_\_\_.

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Ron Snyder, Chairman

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Bernie Scott, Secretary