

**CHAUTAUQUA COUNTY SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT**  
**Frank W. Bratt Ag Center, Jamestown, NY 14701**  
**District Board of Directors' Regular Meeting**  
**April 28, 2011**

I. **Meeting Called to Order: 8:30 A.M.**

- A. Present:
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| Fred Croscut - Chairman     | Les Travis - NYSSWCC     |
| Bruce Kidder - Treasurer    | Debra Kelley - Secretary |
| Allen Peterson - Vice Chair | Rob Halbohm - NRCS       |

II. **Minutes of the Previous Meeting:**

**MOTION** by Peterson seconded by Kidder to approve the minutes of the March meeting.

III. **Treasurer's Report:**

**MOTION** by Peterson seconded by Croscut to accept the Treasurer's report for March and to pay current bills.

- A. **The following bills were approved for payment:**  
SEE ATTACHED

IV. **Correspondence:**

V. **Reports:**

A. **Other Agencies**

1. **NYSSWCC** - Les Travis, See Attached

B. **Committees**

C. **District Conservationist** - Rob Halbohm

1. **Conservation Reserve Plans (CRP)** - **MOTION** by Kidder seconded by Peterson to approve the CRP Plan as presented. .
2. **Food Security Act (FSA) Plans** - **MOTION** by Peterson seconded by Kidder to approve the FSA Plan as presented.
3. **Student Intern** - I have a student intern for the summer, he is from Cuba, NY and will start on May 23, he will be here through August.
4. **Program Update** - we should have the ranking done for all of the programs by early May. Also there have been some cuts to the programs, but we still have the programs.

D. **District Field Manager** -

1. **Trees & Shrubs** - Trees and Shrubs are about done, we had an average year with about 300 orders. The net income for 2011 T&S Sale is \$13,000.
2. **Envirothon** - This year we hosted 285 students & teachers at the Jamestown Audubon Society. The HEWS BOCES Conservation Class took first and second place this year and Brocton took third place.
3. **Conservation Field Days** - will be held on May 25 & 26 at Lake

4. **Arbor Day** - Dave is helping with a Riparian Buffer willow planting project today in Sherman on Mike Meredith's farm. Participating in the project is the NYSDEC, PADEP, Clymer School and a school from Maplewood High School from Crawford County. 150 high school students were participating. Also for Arbor Day we have distributed Blue Spruce Seedling through the BOCES and FFA Clubs to all of the fourth grade students in Chautauqua County.
5. **Muddy Water Blues** - Will be on May 29, 2011 at the Senior Citizens Center on Stow. This is an Erosion & Sediment Control Workshop for contractors and highway departments.
- E. **District Secretary** - Debra Kelley
  1. **Soil Stewardship Sunday** - Will be held at the Panama United Methodist Church in Sunday May 22, 2011.
  2. **Fish Stocking** - I am getting ready to send out order forms for Grass Carp.

VI. **Old Business**

VII. **New Business**

- A. **Purchase of a used Pickup Truck - MOTION** by Kidder seconded by Peterson to purchase a used 2003 Ford F-150 pickup truck from the Town of Portland for \$5,000.
- B. **Frank J Gould - MOTION** by Kidder seconded by Peterson for Jay to return to work on June 6, 2011 and will work 3 days a week as needed for the summer.

VIII. **RC&D**

- A. **Appointments to the RC&D Council** - The District have written the letter to the County Executive asking for appointments as follows: Fred Crocut, Legislative Member, Larry Brown, SWCD Representative and Tom Ormond, Member at Large for the Chautauqua County RC&D Council. See Attached.
- B. **Funding** - USDA-NRCS Funding to RC&D has been eliminated, however the Council will still exists.

IX. **Water Quality**

Water Week will be May 9 - 15, 2011.

X. **Cooperators** none

XI. **Next Meeting** - Thursday, May 26, 2011, 8:30 A.M. at the Frank Bratt Ag Center, Jamestown, NY

XII. **Meeting Adjourned**

**MOTION** by Kidder seconded by Peterson to adjourn at 10:00 P.M.

Debra A. Kelley  
Secretary

Fred Croscut  
Chairman