

**DRAFT MINUTES**  
**CHAUTAUQUA COUNTY SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT**  
**Frank W. Bratt Ag Center, Jamestown, NY 14701**  
**District Board of Directors' Regular Meeting**  
**August 25, 2008**

**I. Meeting Called to Order: 1:06 P.M.**

**A. Present:**

Fred Croscut - Chairman                      Debra Kelley - Secretary  
Allen Peterson - Director                      Rob Halbohm - NRCS - DC  
Robert Thompson - Vice Chair  
Bruce Kidder - Director

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

**MOTION** by Peterson seconded by Kidder to approve the minutes of the July meeting. Carried!

**III. Treasurer's Report:**

**MOTION** by Peterson seconded by Thompson to accept the Treasurer's report and pay current bills. Carried!

**A. The following bills were approved for payment:**

SEE ATTACHED

**IV. Correspondence:**

**A.** Email from Linda Koenig, thanking Dave Spann for his help with permits and other paperwork. She also expressed her confidence in his knowledge and experience for her project.

**V. Reports:**

**A. Other Agencies**

**B. Committees**

**C. District Conservationist - Rob Halbohm**

**1. Program Updates**

**a. EQIP** - possible next month we will start working on the structure for the Great Lakes Allegheny River Basin. As I get more details about the Farm Bill I will let you know.

**b. Implementation** - is in full swing, we are doing some wetland restoration under WRP and several EQIP projects too.

**c. Operational Agreement** - I have prepared a final copy for you to approve today if you agree with it. This is almost the same as the draft that I presented to you last month. **MOTION** by Kidder seconded by Peterson to approve the Operational Agreement with NRCS

**D. District Field Manager**

**1. DEC Road Ditch Stabilization Grant** - We have been hydro-seeding and putting in some erosion control structures in the ditches for several townships around the lake.

**2. Summer Work Load** -We are working on a barnyard project in Forestville, dry-hydrants in Bemus Point, hydro-seeding and permit writing. So we are staying busy.

**E. District Secretary - Debra Kelley**

**1. Administrative Conference** - will be held on October 1 & 2, 2008 at the Hotel Utica in Utica NY. **MOTION** by Kidder seconded by Peterson to allow Deb to attend and reimburse her for expenses.

**VI. Old Business**

- A. **SWCD Budget** - The County Executive is asking all of the agencies to stay flat and not to ask for any increases.

**VII. New Business**

- A. **Sherman Ag Day** - will be September 4, 2008 at the Nickerson Farm. They will have an ag plastic bailer demonstration at the Farm Days.
- B. **NYACD Annual Meeting** - will be held on October 19 - 21, 2008 at the Ramada Inn Lakefront, Geneva, NY. **MOTION** by Thompson seconded by Peterson for staff and directors to attend and reimburse them for expenses. Carried!
- C. **Conewango Bunk Silo Grant** - Extension of time. **MOTION** by Kidder seconded by Thompson to pass the resolution for an extension of time to complete the grant by December 31, 2009. See attached
- D. **Tom Brace Retired** - Jeff TenEyck has been assign to our region temporarily until the State hires a replacement.

**VIII. RC&D**

- A. **Next Meeting** is scheduled for Monday September 8<sup>th</sup>.

**IX. Water Quality**

**X. Cooperators**

- A. William J Porter, Town of Poland, and Sean Porter, Town of Harmony. **MOTION** by Kidder seconded by Thompson to approve the Porters as new Cooperators. Carried!

**XI. Next Meeting** - Thursday, September 25, 2008, 1:00 P.M. at the Frank Bratt Ag Center, Jamestown, NY

**XII. Meeting Adjourned**

- MOTION** by Peterson seconded by Thompson to adjourn the meeting at 1:40 P.M.

Debra A. Kelley  
Secretary

Fred Croscut  
Chairman