

DRAFT MINUTES
CHAUTAUQUA COUNTY SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
Frank W. Bratt Ag Center, Jamestown, NY 14701
District Board of Directors' Regular Meeting
November 19, 2009

I. Meeting Called to Order: 9:33 A.M.

A. Present:

Fred Croscut - Chairman	David Wilson - Field Manager
Leon Beightol - Treasurer	Debra Kelley - Secretary
Allen Peterson - Director	Rob Halbohm - NRCS - DC
Robert Thompson - Vice-Chair	Jay Gould - PT Technician

II. Minutes of the Previous Meeting:

MOTION by Peterson seconded by Beightol to approve the minutes of the October Meeting.

III. Treasurer's Report:

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

A. The following bills were approved for payment:

SEE ATTACHED

IV. Correspondence:

A. Thank you letter to David Wilson from Ronald Turak of JCC for participating in the 33rd annual College Career Night.

V. Reports:

A. Other Agencies

B. Committees

C. District Conservationist - Rob Halbohm

1. Operational Agreement - for FY 2009 is complete and we will be working on a new one for 2010, it will be similar to the one from 2009.

2. Conewango Creek Watershed Rehabilitation - The State Conservationist was touring Chaut & Catt Counties. He made a stop at the Cherry Creek Dam site 6. See Attached information sheet.

3. Program Updates

a. Conservation Stewardship Program (CSP) - we had 6 landowners sign up for this program, we should know which one are going to get funded by the end of the month.

b. EQIP - We are under continuous sign up, so are not pushing it because we do not have an end date yet.

D. District Field Manager - David Wilson

1. Trees & Shrubs - We are working on the catalog and have placed our order for 2010 trees.

2. Agland - We are working on them, we get \$25 per parcel for doing them.

3. Fall Work Load - We have taken delivery of a load of mulch for hydro-seeding. We have wrapped up most of our outside projects. We still have some site visits to get ready for spring.

E. District Secretary - Debra Kelley

VI. Old Business

- A. Director Training** - the directors viewed the training module #1 and discussion on the training module was held afterwards.
- B. Health Insurance** - We have changed health insurance plans for 2010. We will be going to a HDHP Plan, which has high deductibles. We will open a Health Care Savings Plan for David which will help him with the high deductibles. Our last retiree has changed to a med gap Plan which will also save the District money.
- C. District Budget** - will be the same as 2009.
- D. Directors Expenses** - Just a reminder to give Deb your expenses if you have any.
- E. French Creek Round 13 Grant** - **MOTION** by Thompson seconded by Beightol to approve the attached Resolution for an extension of time.
- F. Conewango Creek Round 10 Grant** - **MOTION** by Thompson seconded by Beightol to approve the attached Resolution for an extension of time.

VII. New Business

- A. Letters for Appointments to the Board** - Tabled until election results are final.
- B. Round 16 Grant Application** - **MOTION** by Thompson seconded by Peterson to approve the attached Resolution for Round 15 Grant Application.
- C. Conservation Project Request** - **MOTION** by Peterson seconded by Thompson to approve the Conservation Project Request for a warm season grass box for our no-till drill.
- D. Watershed Technical Assistance** - 2% Clean Waterways Money for 2009. **MOTION** by Beightol seconded by Thompson for the Chair to sign the contract.

VIII. RC&D

- A. Meeting** - a meeting was held November 2nd at Roger Tory Peterson Institute.
- B. Project Measure** - Greg Rater of Slab City Organics Composting Facility would like to enhance his composting facility. **MOTION** by Thompson seconded by Beightol to approve the Application For Project Measures through Seneca Trails RC&D for Greg Rater.

IX. Water Quality

Chautauqua Lake Management Plan should be released in January of 2010

X. Cooperators None**XI. Next Meeting** - Thursday, December 17, 2009, 12:30 P.M. at the Frank Bratt Ag Center, Jamestown, NY**XII. Meeting Adjourned**

MOTION by Beightol seconded by Peterson to adjourn the meeting at 10:40 A.M.