

CHAUTAUQUA COUNTY SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
Frank W. Bratt Ag Center, Jamestown, NY 14701
District Board of Directors' Regular Meeting
March 25, 2010

I. **Meeting Called to Order:** 1:00 P.M.

A. Present:

Fred Croscut - Chairman	David Spann - District Technician
Bob Thompson - Vice-Chair	Debra Kelley - Secretary
Shaun Heenan - Director	Les Travis-NYSSWCC-Regional Director
Allen Peterson - Director	Rob Halbohm - NRCS
Bruce Kidder - Treasurer	Larry Brown - RC&D

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

MOTION by Peterson seconded by Thompson to approve the minutes of the January 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:** none

V. **Reports:**

A. **Other Agencies**

1. NYS Soil & Water Conservation Committee – See Attached

B. **Committees**

1. **Audit Committee** - Reported to the board that they met today and the books are in order. See Attached. **MOTION** by Peterson seconded by Thompson to accept the Audit committees report.

C. **District Conservationist** – Rob Halbohm

1. **Operational Agreement** - See Attached, **MOTION** by Kidder seconded by Peterson to approve the Operational Agreement.
2. **Program Updates**
 - a. EQIP - we have received 36 applications.
 - b. AMA - we have received 12 applications.
 - c. EWP - we have 50 sites in Chautauqua, Cattaraugus and Erie counties to assess for flood damage.
3. **FSA Cooperators Plan** - **MOTION** by Kidder seconded by Peterson to approve the FSA Plan.
4. **Dam Rehabilitation** - Funds for Conewango Site 6 (Farrington Hollow) have been returned as land rights could not be obtained by Chautauqua County. Geologic investigations have been completed for Site 3 (Bethany Camp), and the design process is proceeding.

5. **Cattaraugus County DC** - the vacancy for the District Conservationist position in Cattaraugus County has been advertised. A selection should be made within the next month.

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D. District Field Manager - David Wilson

1. **Trees & Shrubs** - Trees and Shrubs program is underway, we have 210 orders at this time amounting to about \$20,000.
2. **Envirothon** - The event will be held on April 30, 2010 at the Frank W Bratt Ag Center in Jamestown. This will be our 20th Anniversary, so we will try and do some special mugs and t-shirts. We have 17 schools with 30 Teams, amounting to about 250 students, so this will be a very large group this year.
3. **AgLand** - we have done about 200 worksheets for people this season 2009-2010
4. **2% Applications** - We will be working on some applications to submit for funding in the 2011 program.

E. District Secretary - Debra Kelley

1. **Soil Stewardship Sunday** - Will be held April 25, 2010 at Clarks Corners Community Church in Kennedy

VI. Old Business

- A. 2010 Appointments to the Board** - Have been made - See Attached
- B. Election of Officers** - **MOTION** by Thompson seconded by Peterson to elect Fred Croscut as Chairman of the SWCD Board.
- C. Appointments** - The Chairman made the following appointments, Vice-Chairman, Robert Thompson, Treasurer, Bruce Kidder and Secretary Asst. Treas. Debra Kelley.
- D. Committee Assignments** - Tabled
- E. Personnel Appraisals** - Tabled
- F. NYSACD - Pay Dues** - **MOTION** by Kidder seconded by Thompson to pay the Dues in June.
- G. Contract with the County** - We have the contract for the Chairman to sign and then we can voucher for money.

VII. New Business

- A. Round 16 Ag Non-Point Grant Proposal** - is due in Albany by April 19, 2010. **MOTION** by Thompson seconded by Heenan to approve the resolution. See Attached

VIII. RC&D - Larry Brown
See attached report.

IX. Water Quality

X. Cooperators none

XI. Next Meeting - Wednesday, April 28, 2010, 9:30 A.M. at the Frank Bratt Ag Center, Jamestown, NY

XII. Meeting Adjourned

MOTION by Peterson seconded by Thompson to adjourn at 11:30 A.M.

Debra A. Kelley
Secretary

Fred Croscut
Chairman