

CHAUTAUQUA COUNTY SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
Frank W. Bratt Ag Center, Jamestown, NY 14701
District Board of Directors' Regular Meeting
September 22, 2011

I. **Meeting Called to Order: 8:35 A.M.**

A. Present:

Fred Croscut - Chairman	David Wilson - Field Manager
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 August meeting.

III. **Treasurer's Report:**

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

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

SEE ATTACHED

IV. **Correspondence:**

V. **Reports:**

A. **Other Agencies**

B. **Committees**

1. **Farmer of the Year Committee** - The Committee met prior to the regular meeting to discuss the candidates for Conservation Farmer of the Year. The Committee decided on John Knight

C. **District Conservationist** - Rob Halbohm

1. **Program Updated** - See Attached

D. **District Field Manager** - David Wilson

1. **Whitney/Jackson Project** - This project is part of Round 13 of the Ag Non-Point Source Grants. We are getting ready to close out this grant, so we were checking on all of the projects to make sure they were working. The pump in the leachate collections system was not working, so we are working on getting that done.

2. **2012 2% Projects** - 2% rankings were passed by the legislature, subject to the county budget. 4-5 projects may be funded.

3. **Country Ayre** - we are working on the plans for the manure separator and the building over the manure pit. This is part of the Round 15 Ag Non-Point Source Grant.

4. **2011 2% Projects** - We have completed the projects at Canadaway Creek, the Masonic Lodge and the Vikings Project, so all of our 2011 projects are completed.

E. **District Secretary** - Debra Kelley

1. **2011 Trout Stocking** - Order forms have been mailed out.

VI. Old Business

- A. **Ag Non-Point Grants Awarded** - Chautauqua County received a grant for the Conewango Creek Project for \$559,706. We have completed the plan of work and have sent it in for review.
- B. **NYS Retirement/Elected & Appointed Officials Reporting** - The Board members reviewed the Record of Activity that was presented to them from Bruce Kidder. **MOTION** by Peterson seconded by Croscut to approve the Record of Activity for Bruce Kidder.
- C. **NYACD Annual Meeting** - is scheduled for October 16-18, 2011 at the Radisson Hotel in Utica. **MOTION** by Peterson seconded by Kidder to appoint Fred Croscut as the Voting Delegate for Chautauqua County.
- D. **Joint Annual Banquet** - is scheduled for October 13, 2011 at the Chautauqua Suites. **MOTION** by Kidder seconded by Peterson to accept the committee recommendations for John Knight as Conservation Farmer of the Year.
- E. **Visit the Farm Day** - was at Oak View Dairy on September 17, 2011 from 11:00 AM to 3:00 PM. It was a huge success with an estimate of about 900 people in attendance. Coop-Ext is reviewing the survey and we should have results for the next meeting.

VII. New Business

- A. **Contribution Agreement with NRCS** - **MOTION** by Peterson seconded by Kidder to approve the Contribution Agreement with NRCS.
- B. **Surplus Equipment** - **MOTION** by Kidder seconded by Peterson to declare the 1993 Ford Ranger Surplus at the end of the construction season.
- C. **Standard Workday & Reporting Resolution** - **MOTION** by Peterson seconded by Croscut to adopt the Standard Workday & Reporting Resolution for Elected and Appointed Officials Reporting Program. See Attached
- D. **Appointments to the SWCD Board** - Robert Thompson's appointment would be up on December 31, 2011 and he had requested a replacement be appointed by Farm Bureau. **MOTION** by Kidder seconded Peterson to write a letter to Farm Bureau for a new appointment.

VIII. RC&D

IX. **Water Quality** - none

X. **Cooperators** none

XI. **Next Meeting** - Thursday, October 27, 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 11:00 A.M.

Debra A. Kelley
Secretary

Fred Croscut
Chairman