

CAMDEN COUNTY SOIL CONSERVATION DISTRICT

MEETING MINUTES

May 16, 2022
423 Commerce Lane, Suite 1
West Berlin, NJ 08091

Dennis Dougherty, Chairman, called the Board of Supervisors Meeting of the Camden County Soil Conservation District to order at 6:38.

ATTENDANCE:

Supervisors

Dennis Dougherty
Robert Carter
Michael Rigolizzo
Valerie Brown

Staff

Craig McGee

NRCS District Conservationist

Nicole Ciccaglione

Notice of this meeting was provided to the Courier Post and Trenton Times newspapers, the County Clerk and posted in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act.

MINUTES:

The Minutes of the April 18, 2022 Camden County Soil Conservation District Board Meeting were reviewed.

Motion: It was moved by Mr. Carter, seconded by Mr. Rigolizzo and passed to approve the minutes as presented.

CERTIFICATIONS:

Soil Erosion and Sediment Control Plan applications received by the District for the period ending May 13, 2022 were reviewed and classified as follows:

CERTIFIED:

Code	Twp	Project Name
7213	CH	2022 Gas Sys Maintenance
7214	GC	Gloucester City Middle School Safety
7215	WI	Winslow School Site Improvements
7216	HT	Proposed Development
7224	GT	Villegas Residence

Motion: It was moved by Mr. Carter, seconded by Mr. Rigollizo and passed unanimously to certify Soil Erosion and Sediment Control Plans as recorded. Due to a conflict, action on App Code 7198 was tabled.

PENDING:

The list of Pending plans was reviewed

CORRESPONDENCE:

None

OLD BUSINESS:

The Financial Reports and Lists of Disbursements for the periods ending April 30, 2022 were reviewed by the Board.

Motion: It was moved by Mr. Carter, seconded by Mr. Rigolizzo and passed unanimously to accept the Financial Report and approve all expenses for the period ending April 30, 2022.

Supervisor renomination forms for Mr. Rigolizzo and Mrs. Brown were due to the SSCC last week. If not already submitted, those members were encouraged to complete the nomination forms ASAP.

Grant Funded Projects

The SJRCD Manalapan grant is in the final months of the project. A contractor will start the final phase of implementation later this month. Mr. McGee reported on a case of bank fraud against the project banking account. The issue has been resolved by the bank and SJRCD has not lost any funds.

Work continues on the SJRCD Lakewood Basin retrofit project. Three basins have been selected for spring seeding, with two more scheduled for design with the cooperation of Rutgers Water Resources program.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. McGee presented a draft budget for FY22. The draft reflects a contraction of the budget over the previous year. The board discussed and tabled action to the June meeting.

The Camden SCD is leading a team to submit a proposal for a Lake Watershed Protection Plan for the Cooper River Lake, Evans Pond and Wallworth Lake area. Camden County and Rutgers Cooperative Extension will serve as partners while Princeton Hydro is serving as the primary consultant. Proposals are due May 27.

Of concern, the funding for this project is from a different source than previous grants. We've not received a clear answer if advance funding will be available.

NJACD REPORT:

Mr. Dougherty reported planning for the Annual Meeting has stalled as a location has yet to be determine. Mr, Dougherty also reported on the Poster Contest, Scholarship program and Envirothon. The next meeting of the NJACD will be in June.

STAFF REPORTS: (see attached)

Mr. McGee attended the District Liaison Meeting with representatives from all districts and the State staff. Of particular interest were the discussion of Supervisor Performance Standards, the resumption of statewide employee training programs and a proposed standard to address solar panel installation.

AGENCY REPORTS:

NJDA State Soil Conservation Committee [SSCC] Report:

Mr. Rigolizzo advised the next State Committee meeting will be held on June 13.

NRCS Report:

None

SJRCD Report:

Camden SCD is leading a team of partners to submit proposals for Lake Watershed Protection Plan for Smithville Lake in Eastampton, Burlington County and for a basin retrofit project in Monroe Township, Middlesex County in response to the recent NJDEP Request for Proposals.

OTHER BUSINESS:

None

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion: It was moved by Mr. Rigolizzo, seconded by Mr. Carter and passed unanimously to adjourn the meeting.

Mr. Dougherty, Chairman, adjourned the meeting at 7:30.

Respectfully submitted,

Craig McGee
District Manager