

Minutes

Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors - Tompkins County SWCD
October 12, 2018
Ramada Inn, Ithaca, NY 14850

Present: Deborah Dawson, Dave McKenna, Aaron Ristow, Alan Teeter, Dan Carey (Directors)
Staff: Kym Jackson, Jon Negley
Guest: Barry Goodrich

A Ristow, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 2:38pm. A quorum was present.

There were no additions or changes to the agenda.

D. Carey moved to approve minutes of the September 2018 Board Meeting. Seconded by D. McKenna. No discussion. All in favor. Carried.

A Teeter arrived at 2:41pm.

Agency Reports

J. Negley reviewed the NYS SWCC monthly report and it is attached.

Financial Report

D. Dawson moved to approve the financial reports as presented. D. McKenna seconded. No discussion. Final and approved year end 2017 Audit reports from Insero & Co. CPAs, LLP were distributed. A vote was taken, and all were in favor. Carried.

September Vouchers

D. Carey moved to approve the September vouchers as presented including training registrations for C. Love and P. Gier for payment by credit card. D. McKenna seconded. No discussion. A vote was taken and all were in favor. Carried.

Cooperator Agreements

There were no cooperator agreements this month.

Staff Reports

P. Gier and C. Love provided written reports and they are attached for the Board's review. J. Negley and the Board discussed how to provide more in-field training and other specialized training opportunities for the CNP Planner.

Old Business

RESOLUTION 2018-36 – Adoption of 2019 Plan of Work. D. Carey made the motion to approve. D. McKenna seconded. J. Negley spoke of the Highway Departments willingness to work with TCSWCD on hiring and sharing a Heavy Equipment Operator. The Board discussed the availability of current grant funds to support a Technician in 2019. It was decided to request an OTR or Target position in 2019 for the budget year 2020. A vote was taken, and all were in favor. Carried.

RESOLUTION 2018-38 – Approval of use of \$6,000 for Groton Elementary School pond and wetland revitalization for educational training space within Tompkins County under NYS District Law, Part B, funding agreement. D. Carey made the motion to approve. D. Dawson seconded. No discussion. A vote was taken, and all were in favor. Carried.

New Business

RESOLUTION 2018-39 – Entering into a one-year contract with NYS Ag and Markets for AEM program reimbursement (Year 14). A. Teeter made the motion to approve. D. McKenna seconded. No discussion. A vote was taken, and all were in favor. Carried.

RESOLUTION 2018-40 – Entering into a one-year contract with the Community Science Institute to monitor water quality for watersheds draining into the south end of Cayuga Lake. D. McKenna made the motion to approve. A. Teeter seconded. No discussion. A vote was taken, and all were in favor. Carried.

New Position Hiring Discussion with Budget Review. This was discussed in connection with RESOLUTION 2018-36. Nothing further to add.

Announcements/Meetings

The next meeting was rescheduled for November 14th at 1:00pm due to the observance of the Veteran's Day Holiday on November 12th.

The Board also voted to move the meeting time of the regular Board Meetings scheduled on the 2nd Monday of each month from 3:00pm to 1:00pm. Carried.

A Finance Committee Meeting with D. McKenna, A. Teeter, and J. Negley was scheduled for November 14th at the end of the Regular Board Meeting. A Personnel Committee Meeting with A. Ristow and J. Negley was scheduled for December 10th after the Regular Board Meeting.

D. Carey moved to adjourn the Regular Meeting at 3:50pm. Seconded by D. Dawson. Carried.

Respectfully Submitted:

Kym Jackson, Secretary

Aaron Ristow, Chairman