

Minutes

Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors - Tompkins County SWCD
July 11th, 2022
Via Microsoft Teams

Present: Aaron Ristow, Callan Space, Alan Teeter, Deborah Dawson, Randy Brown (Directors)
Staff: Jon Negley, Samantha Smith, Andrew Stadler, Angel Hinickle
Agency: Patrick Emerick
Guests: Graham Savio, Jenna DeRario

A Ristow, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 11:03 am. A quorum was present.

No changes to agenda.

A Ristow moved to approve the June 13th, 2022, Board Meeting Minutes. D. Dawson seconded. No discussion. All in favor. Carried

Presentation

Graham Savio & Jenna DeRario shared a presentation with the board on Payment for Ecosystem Services and how the goals and program are intended to unfold.

Agency Reports

SWCC – P.J. was present and shared some key information. Open meetings law regarding remote meetings, groups will be required to meet in person unless emergency circumstance. State committee July meeting is going to be rescheduled. Soil Health Field Day at Rodman Lott Farms is Wednesday. Updated list of the grant schedule, will be in contact.

Financial Report

A Ristow moved to approve the June Financial Report. D. Dawson seconded. All in favor. Carried.

Vouchers

A Ristow moved to approve amended July vouchers. C. Space seconded. All in favor. Carried.

Staff Reports

Introduce A. Stadler as the District's new Conservation Technician.

A Hinickle – update on recent work – hydrilla signage, hydroseeding, landowner pond visits, surveying with Town of Lansing for erosion control, Steuben County funds for ditch stabilization.

Cooperator Agreements

None.

Old Business

Resolution 2022-24 – Open Meetings Law – A. Ristow moved to approve. D. Dawson seconded. As of July 1st, 2022 in person meetings are required. Remote sessions are available for emergencies but will not count toward quorum.

***Change meeting time to 11:30 am for in person meetings to accommodate all members. All in favor. Carried.

Engineer Discussion – Looking to consult and contract with Tioga County SWCD for engineering services to meet District needs. No longer looking to hire full time engineer due to no candidates and many issues. Will plan to keep B&L for projects where needed instead of monthly as they are now.

New Business

RESOLUTION 2022-23 – Renewal of Technical Services With WayPoint Technologies – A. Ristow motioned to approve. D. Dawson seconded. Discussion – Annual contract, renewal for 2022-2023. All in favor. Carried.

The meeting adjourned at 12:41 p.m. Carried.

The next Regular Board Meeting is scheduled for August 8th, 2022 at 11:30 am in person.

Respectfully Submitted:

Samantha Smith, Secretary

Aaron Ristow, BOD Chairman