

Potomac Valley Conservation District

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Minutes of Meeting Special Board Meeting Teleconference October 10, 2018

The Potomac Valley Conservation District held a special Board meeting by teleconference on Wednesday, October 10, 2018, beginning at 9:30 am.

SUPERVISORS: Ronald Miller, John Hicks, J.W. See, Kent Spencer, Brian Dayton, Frank Weese and Gerald Sites

OTHERS: Nadene Jewell

The meeting was called to order at 9:35 am.

The group discussed options for the purchase of a poultry house cruster. Ron Miller reviewed the models and prices: Lewis Brothers / model DB2 / low profile 69 inches high / price quoted was \$22,900.00. Can be picked up at James River Equipment in Harrisonburg. Will take 3 weeks to receive. Kent Spencer indicated he spoke with a representative with James River and they quoted \$21,500 for a similar model. Information was also obtained on a Kelly model from D&G Equipment / 74 inches high. Much discussion on the various models and the need of local producers. All were in agreement to purchase the cruster – prefer the Lewis Brothers model DB2 – need to request lower price as quoted to Spencer. A motion was made by J.W. See and seconded by Gerald Sites to delegate Ron Miller authority to move forward with the purchase of the cruster from James River Equipment / price of \$23,000.00 or less. Motion carried.

Ron Miller also talked with representatives from Pilgrims about the purchase of a second cruster. If Pilgrims is willing to purchase, PVCD could oversee the rental to producers. He inquired if they would be willing to lease or loan the cruster to PVCD for one year. Pilgrims to discuss and get back with Ron on the issue.

COMPOST DEMO: WVCA Field office in Moorefield has been contacted again regarding the compost trials / demo with PVCD for the fruit tree planting. The issue was discussed last December, but the company did not follow through with the program. Ben Heavner should have additional information at the November meeting.

O&M CONTRACT: The bid opening for the Patterson Creek O&M Contract was held earlier this morning at the District office. Apparent low bid submitted by Kidwell Construction from Hampshire County. Bids submitted to WVCA in Charleston for verification.

O&M WORK: PVCD crew completing o&m work on dams in Patterson Creek – almost finished. Need to go back and mow around the pool area on dams that the water was too high when they originally mowed.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:48 am by motion of Kent Spencer and seconded by Brian Dayton. Motion carried.

The next regular meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 7, 2018 beginning at 7:00 pm at the USDA Service Center in Moorefield.

Chairperson

Secretary

Date