

1 GUYAN CONSERVATION DISTRICT
2 MONTHLY BOARD MEETING
3 July 19, 2012 @ 1:00PM
4 Conference Room
5 Huntington, WV

6 **APPROVED MINUTES**

7 Board Members Present:

8 Boyd Meadows, Cabell County
9 John Bill Perry, Wayne County
10 John Oblinger, Cabell County
11 Bill Stewart, Wayne County
12 Grady Hayner, Boone County
13 David Webb, Lincoln County
14 Barry Harless, Lincoln County
15 George Mathis, Logan County

Other Attendees:

Larry Layman, WVCA
Judith Lyons, WVCA
John Nelson, WVCA
Norm Bailey, NRCS
Jake Owen, NRCS
Mike Metz, WV Division of Forestry
Sherry Adams, USACOE

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18 I. Call Meeting to Order

19 Chairman Boyd Meadows called the meeting to order at 12:47pm.

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21 I. Approve Agenda

22 *Upon a motion made by Bill Stewart and seconded by Grady Hayner, the*
23 *Board unanimously approved the Agenda.*

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25 II. Agency Report

26 Larry Layman, with the WVCA, attended the meeting and thanked the
27 Supervisors that attended the training. The conservation farm tours are
28 underway. The legislative audit has been completed, and he will report on the
29 findings upon receipt of their presentation to the Legislature on August 14th at
30 1pm. The Partnership Conference is scheduled for October 29th and October
31 30th at the Charleston Marriott. The SCC has noted that upon vacancies in the
32 District, the Board must advertise in the local paper and the District must then
33 nominate a list of names to the SCC for approval. If a supervisor has missed 3
34 or more meetings, the District may notify the SCC to take action in removing
35 the member. Ms. Hefner sent an email to Mr. Layman regarding a contact
36 name in Mingo County interested in the current vacancy there. Andrew Stacy,
37 Public Relations at WVCA has a template for advertisements that can be used
38 to run an ad in the local paper for two weeks. NASCA has reported an
39 available grant for the Native Pollinator workshops for entities that disturb
40 ground. The workshop will be held on August 28th in Huntington. New
41 members have been elected into the WVACD. The budget for FY13 is
42 \$60,000 and individual Districts will receive an invoice on the dues.
43 Ravenswood FFA won the Envirothon. The Education District of the Year
44 was awarded to West Fork District. There will no longer be a sponsorship of
45 the Poster contest. Joe Gumm will represent West Virginia at the NASCA.
46 There will be no Legislative Tour this year. The Appalachian Grazing

1 Conference is scheduled for March 2013. Agricultural Enhancement Program
2 budget overall is 1.8 million.

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4 Judith Lyons, with the WVCA Watershed, attended the meeting and noted
5 that there was a great turnout at the Little Coal River Project meeting in
6 Danville. There is a job showing on the project 7/16/12. Ms. Lyons read aloud
7 a report from Brent Brumfield.

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9 John Nelson, with WVCA Watershed, attended the meeting and presented a
10 slideshow with a handout on the Little Coal River Project. Grady Hayner
11 suggested Judith Lyons arrange a visit before the project commences.

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13 III. Other Visitors

14 Jake Owens, with the NRCS, attended the meeting and noted that the EWP
15 construction in Logan County is underway, and expected to be completed in
16 July. Feeding pad construction is currently in progress.

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18 Sherry Adams, with the US Army Corps of Engineers attended the meeting
19 and updated the Board on the Island Creek Project in Logan. Option 2 was
20 awarded on July 12th. There are 5 property tracts in condemnation and there
21 might be 10 more. The budget may need to be increased due to several
22 condemnation items.

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24 IV. Supervisor Reports

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26 V. Meeting Minutes

27 Minutes submitted from the June 21, 2012 meeting were enclosed for the
28 Board's review.

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30 *Upon a motion made by Bill Stewart and seconded by John Bill Perry,*
31 *the Board unanimously approved the June 21, 2012 Minutes as*
32 *presented.*

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34 VI. Business Meeting

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36 Agricultural Enhancement Program Committee met prior to the Board
37 meeting and discussed the drafted applications and program details at length.

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39 Woodland Access Road- Mark Metz with WV Division of Forestry attended
40 the meeting from the Capital District. Pending the authority to do so, Mr.
41 Metz would be happy to write plans and designs on access roads needed
42 within the district. Mr. Metz would use the WV best management practices
43 specifications for the road for those cooperators that already have existing
44 forestry plans. He suggested a 75% cost-share rate.

1 Frost Seeding- This will have a 50 acre maximum, with \$30/per acre, and a
2 pH of 6.0 or greater. The applicant will have a \$1,500 max per year
3 allowance. If an applicant is under 6.0, they will be referred to the lime
4 practice to bring this pH up.

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6 Lime-This will not exceed 50 acres. There will be a 75% cost-share rate that
7 will include the purchase, delivery, and spreading of lime. There will be a
8 \$2,500 max per applicant per year. They will be able to re-apply in 3 years.
9 The pH must be 6.0 and below. The time frame for completion in this program
10 will be 60 days from the date of approval. Hayland and pasture will be
11 included.

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13 Invasive Species Control (multiflora rose, autumn olive, and tartarian
14 honeysuckle)- There will be a 5 acre max, brush acre max. There will be a flat
15 rate of \$100/brush acre and a \$500 max on an application. This will be a
16 continuous sign-up. All receipts will need to be submitted by March 30, 2013.

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18 Nutrient Management (Fertilizer)- There will be a \$5,000 cap and a not to
19 exceed 75% cost-share rate. This will also not exceed a \$100 per acre. This
20 will include hayland & pasture. The pH must be 6.0 or greater, if lower the
21 applicant will be referred to the lime program. There is a max of 50 acres per
22 farm, per year. The applicant can re-apply every 3 years.

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24 Micro Agriculture- The Board discussed mimicking the CCD's purposed plan
25 on this program. They would like to include rain barrels, raised beds. They
26 will hold off on offering a program cost-share on the high tunnel.

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28 The board suggested having brochures printed to identify and distribute
29 information on the Agricultural Enhancement Program and the practices
30 encompassed within it.

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32 ***Upon a motion made by Bill Stewart and seconded by John Oblinger,***
33 ***the Board unanimously approved the practices presented by the Committee,***
34 ***without the "Micro Ag" for now.***

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36 The following invoices were presented to the Board for payment:

37 CDO-Operating Funds

38	1. LM&OC	\$	568.32
39	2. Bagby Johnson & Associates	\$	275.00
40	3. WVNET	\$	16.95
41	4. Halfway Market	\$	180.11
42	5. John Bill Perry	\$	13.24
43	6. Frontier	\$	0.73
44	7. Sprint	\$	126.81
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46		TOTAL: \$	1,181.16

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2 ***Upon a motion made by John Bill Perry and seconded by Grady Hayner,***
3 ***the Board unanimously approved payment of the above bills.***
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5 ***Upon a motion made by Bill Stewart and seconded by George Mathis,***
6 ***the Board unanimously approved the LOR FY12 Ag Enhancement 1261-00***
7 ***for \$96,000.***
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9 ***Upon a motion made by Bill Stewart and seconded by John Bill Perry,***
10 ***the Board unanimously approved to award the lowest bidder and to begin***
11 ***construction/initiate the contract on the Little Coal River Project outside of***
12 ***the regularly scheduled Board meeting at the 8/2/12 bid opening.***
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14 ***Upon a motion made by John Oblinger and seconded by John Bill***
15 ***Perry, the Board unanimously approved for up to \$200 in refreshments to be***
16 ***provided on the Area I Conservation Farm Tour at Thomas McBride's farm***
17 ***in Wayne County.***
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19 ***Upon a motion made by Bill Stewart and seconded by Grady Hayner, the***
20 ***Board unanimously approved to send and RFQ to Bassett & Lowe to***
21 ***perform the FY12 Agreed Upon Procedures.***
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23 Lower Mud Project CD is maturing at First Sentry Bank on July 25, 2012.
24 Treasurer John Oblinger recommends the Board keep this CD, with its same
25 terms at the bank.
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27 ***Upon a motion made by George Mathis and seconded by John Bill***
28 ***Perry, the Board unanimously approved to roll the Lower Mud Project CD***
29 ***over with the same terms.***
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31 ***Upon a motion made by John Oblinger and seconded by George Mathis,***
32 ***the Board unanimously approved to place a full-page color advertisement in***
33 ***the WV Conservation Partnership Conference program.***
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35 ***Upon a motion made by Bill Stewart and seconded by Grady Hayner, the***
36 ***Board unanimously approved to extend the AM 3 Island Creek Local***
37 ***Protection Project Agreement until June 30, 2017.***
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39 ***Upon a motion made by George Mathis and seconded by John Oblinger,***
40 ***the Board unanimously approved the costs of sending an additional camper***
41 ***to WV Conservation Camp from the District.***
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43 Chairman Boyd Meadows nominated John Oblinger, John Bill Perry, and
44 Grady Hayner to sit on a committee to determine nominations for the
45 Member at Large, Lifetime Member, and Carol Greene nomination.
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