

Southern Conservation District
November 19, 2019
Minutes of Special Board Meeting

The Southern Conservation District November 19, 2019 special board meeting was held at their office, 463 Ragland Road, Beckley, WV. Virgel called the meeting to order at 10 a.m.

Curtis Murphy led the board in the Pledge of Allegiance. Randall Patton opened the meeting with prayer.

Supervisors Present

Virgel Caldwell	Randall Patton
Randy Prince	Oscar Vecellio
Bill Harris	Curtis Murphy
Jeff Mitchem	
Dennis Bailey (by skype)	

Supervisors Absent

Ray Lafferty
John Farrell

Others Present

Lynn Woods, WVCA	Marty Walker, WVCA
Dave Parkulo, SCD	
Jeremy Salyer, WVCA (by skype)	

Chairman Virgel Caldwell stated the purpose of the special meeting, which was to respond to a request from the Beckley Sanitary Board (BSB) to partner with them on an RCPP project. The BSB appeared at the 11/14/19 board meeting to present their proposal for a "Pinecrest Drainage Restoration Project." **Oscar Vecellio moved and Randall Patton seconded the motion to add the Southern Conservation District's name as a partner in order to help the BSB obtain grant funding.** Discussion ensued. Bill Harris expressed that this is basically a drainage project and it would be more palatable if the BSB agreed to do more natural restoration, trails, etc. Virgel Caldwell pointed out that the purpose of this action was simply to offer the District's name in support of the project to help the BSB obtain grant funding. Randall Patton reiterated that the action would lend the District's name, without obligation, to strengthen the BSB's grant application. Dennis Bailey noted that in order for the District to participate in any material way, there would be a need for restrictive conservation easements. **A vote was taken and the motion carried.**

Marty Walker presented the following AgEP applications for approval:

Pasture Division Fence

Sarah Bennett	\$750.00
Cheryl-Lilly-Williams	\$750.00
Richard Barnes	\$1,000
Marian Iftme	\$1,600
Mathew Epling	\$1,600
Cody Jones	\$2,000
Steve Dehart	\$2,000

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John Richmond \$2,000

Exclusion Fence Woodland/Water

David Walker \$2,000

Teresa Butts \$2,000

Bill Harris moved to approve the AgEP applications as presented. Curtis Murphy seconded. Motion carried.

Marty Walker presented the following AgEP payments for completed contracts for approval:

Heavy Use Protection Area

Ron Testerman \$975.00

Lime

Larry McClintic \$2,000

Jeffrey McCloughlin \$314.50

Dennis Bailey moved to approve the payments for completed AgEP contracts. Oscar Vecellio seconded. Motion carried.

Randall Patton asked the Supervisors to be thinking about purchasing jackets and a brief discussion ensued. This will be placed on the December agenda for action.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:32am.

Respectfully submitted:

The image shows two handwritten signatures in blue ink. The signature on the left is 'Virgel Caldwell' and the signature on the right is 'Bill Harris'.

Virgel Caldwell

Bill Harris

Chairman

Secretary