The **Tygarts Valley Conservation District** Board of Supervisors held a Regular Board Meeting on September 14, 2020, commencing at 9:00 am at the District Office and via skype. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Donnie Tenney.

<u>Supervisors Present</u>: James Dean, Jim Nester, Tom Short, Doug Bush, John Sencindiver <u>Supervisors Via Skype:</u> Joe Gumm, Joe Shaffer <u>WVCA Present</u>: Robert Shomo WVCA Via Skype: Candice Stone, Jeremy Salyer, Ed Martin <u>TVCD Present</u>: Dan Elliott, Terrie Hedrick

Mr. Nester led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Reading/Approval of the Agenda/Minutes:

August 17, 2020 Minutes; Mr. Bush moved to approve the minutes as presented; seconded by Mr. Nester; motion carried.

September 14, 2020 Agenda: Mr. Shaffer moved to approve the agenda as presented; seconded by Mr. Nester; motion carried.

Treasurer Report: Ms. Hedrick reported all the bills have been paid and a CDO Reimbursement and Potomac Valley payment was received. The board requested that any bills over 30 days due needed to be resent and the districts or cooperators needed to be contacted. Right now the big issue is not being reimbursed for hotel stays. Mr. Salyer reminded the board they are supposed to work with Mr. Martin on these bills. Mr. Martin joined the meeting at 9:20 and reminded the board that Mr. Saurborn told them in a previous meeting that an estimate needed to be sent prior to getting started on the job. He also said that the tree removal should have been removed from the bill. This was a 1 time cost not a yearly cost. Board requested that all invoices be emailed to the districts for payments so they will be paid in a timely manner. Mary Goldsborough bill has still not been settled yet. **Mr. Nester moved to have papers severed and if it is not paid have a lien put on the property; seconded by Mr. Bush; motion carried. Mr. Shaffer moved to accept the Treasurer Reports as presented and file for audit; seconded by Mr. Nester; motion carried.**

District Conservation Technician & Work Crew Report: Mr. Elliott reported they have completed several jobs and still have a lot to finish. They are beginning mobilization on in Wheeling today. They also have 30 culverts to install for Harrison County and a clean out in Davis. The chain came and the Elkwater Dam can be completed. Mr Elliott stated they are still not fully staffed and are looking for laborers, equipment operators and administrative staff. The board requested that Mr. Elliott submit his reimbursement for mileage and insurance monthly.

Report of Officers and Agencies:

WVCA: Mr. Salyer reviewed his written report (copy attached). Mr. Shomo reported he has completed the rankings and an AgEP Committee Meeting will need to be held for approvals.

WesMonTy RC&D: September meeting will be held tomorrow.

Old Business:

NRCS Renovations:

• Crew will be working on the renovations this fall. They will move all the furniture. NRCS will be responsible for moving the electronics and files.

Elkwater Dam Repair:

• The chain is here so repair of the dam can begin.

Committee Reports:

Equipment/Safety Committee:

• Mr. Nester reported he will be having a safety meeting with the crew on Friday at 3 PM **Education Committee:** Mr. Bush reported the following farm winners:

Randolph County: Charm Farm Taylor County: Jim Kinsey Upshur County: Mr. Tomi Barbour County: Paul Wilmoth

Grassland/AgEP Committee:

• Committee Meeting needs to be held a date will be sent out at a later time.

Legislative Committee:

• Banquet for 2020 cancelled

New Business:

LOR: #12487 FY21 AgEP Supplement \$10,000.00 Mr. Shaffer moved to approve LOR #12847 FY21 AgEP Supplement \$10,000.00; seconded by Mr. Short; motion carried.

<u>Farmland Protection Upshur County:</u> Identifying soils Proposal. Mr. Bush moved to approve the Proposal in Upshur County; seconded by Mr. Nester; motion carried.

There being no further business to attend to, Chairman Tenney declared the meeting adjourned.

Minutes recorded and prepared by Candice Stone - WVCA District Manager/ASA 3